MINUTES
CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, September 11, 2012  6:30 P.M. Council Chambers-City Hall

Mayor Jeffrey R. Graham; Councilmember Patrick D. Partin; Councilmember Walter M. Long, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem Alfred Mae Drakeford, and X. Willard Polk; City Manager W. Kevin Bronson; City Clerk Brenda Davis; Assistant City Manager Mel Pearson; City Attorney Charles Cushman (absent); Chronicle-Independent Reporter Martin Cahn and interested citizens.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION
Councilmember Patrick D. Partin gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Jeffrey R. Graham called the Camden City Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA
Council, on motion by Councilmember Long, seconded by Councilmember Polk voted unanimously to approve the agenda for September 11, 2012, City Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Council, on motion by Councilmember Polk, seconded by Councilmember Long, voted unanimously to adopt the August 28, 2012, City Council Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford abstained from voting due to being absent at the August 28, 2012 meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM
Tray Dunaway, 1413 Mill Street, spoke regarding his concerns on eliminating both the Farber lawsuit and the lawsuit filed by the city against the Camden Recreation Referendum Coalition (CRRC).

Helen B. Crolley, 677 Red Fox Road, spoke regarding her concerns on the proposed recreation facility, the city’s lawsuit against CRRC and the wording of the “recreation” question to be placed on the November ballot.
ORDINANCE #12-021 2nd Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Drakeford, seconded by Councilmember Partin, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an Ordinance annexing various rights of way.

ORDINANCE #12-022 2nd Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Partin, seconded by Councilmember Long, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an Ordinance assigning final zoning classification to property belonging to Wateree Associates, LLC at 2209 West DeKalb Street. Mayor Graham recused himself voting due to business conflict of interest. Please refer to recusal statement dated June 26, 2012.

ORDINANCE #12-023 2nd Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Polk, seconded by Councilmember Partin, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an Ordinance adopting regulations for affordable housing.

RESOLUTION #12-017
Council, on motion by Councilmember Partin, seconded by Councilmember Long, followed by discussion from Council, voted 4-1 to approve a “Grab Life” Branding Campaign Resolution. Those voting in favor of the motion were Councilmember Long, Councilmember Partin, Councilmember Drakeford and Mayor Graham. Voting in opposition of the motion was Councilmember Polk.

BID AWARD
Council, on motion by Councilmember Partin, seconded by Councilmember Polk, followed by comments from City Manager Kevin Bronson and general discussion from Council, voted unanimously to award bid for construction of the new Exxon Pump Station on Hwy 521 to MJL, Inc in the amount of $390,350.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
Councilmember Polk made a motion to appoint J. Allen Roberts to the Historic Landmarks Commission. There being no second the motion failed.

Councilmember Long made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Partin, to approve the appointment of Mrs. Nancy C. Wylie to the Historic Landmarks Commission with term to expire on August 31, 2012. Those voting in favor of the motion were Councilmember Long, Councilmember Drakeford, Councilmember Partin and Mayor Graham. Voting in opposition of the motion was Councilmember Polk.
ADJOURN
There being no further business, Council on motion by Councilmember Polk, seconded by Councilmember Long, voted unanimously to adjourn the Council Meeting at 6:55 p.m.

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Jeffrey R. Graham, Mayor

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Brenda Davis, City Clerk