



**City of Camden**  
South Carolina

**CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL**

**WORK SESSION MINUTES**

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Tuesday, September 25, 2012

4:00 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

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**PRESENT**

Mayor Jeffrey R. Graham  
Councilmember Patrick D. Partin (absent)  
Councilmember Walter M. Long  
Mayor Pro-Tem Alfred Mae Drakeford

City Manager W. Kevin Bronson  
Assistant City Manager Mel Pearson  
City Clerk Brenda Davis  
Councilmember X. Willard Polk  
Chronicle-Independent Reporter Martin Cahn  
and interested Citizens

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jeffrey R. Graham called the Camden City Council Work Session to order at 4:00 p.m.

**WELCOME** –City Manager Kevin Bronson welcomed Council to the September 25, 2012 Camden City Council Administrative Briefing and Work Session.

**WELSH STREET ANNEXATION**

City Manager Kevin Bronson presented Council with a briefing of the proposed annexations in Sunnyhill neighborhood. Property Owners at 120, 203 and 206 Welsh agreed to annex their property into the city limits. There were no objections from Council for staff to move forward with the proposed annexations in Sunnyhill neighborhood.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Polk, seconded by Councilmember Long, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 4:04 pm to receive information regarding a personnel matter.

**REGULAR SESSION**

Council unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 4:20 pm. No action was taken during Executive Session

**REVISED COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT DESIGN**

Carrie Giouque of C & K Historic Consulting presentation to Council addressed the process and steps needed to be taken to revise the City of Camden Commercial and Residential District Design Guidelines. Ms. Giouque stated that her approach to updating the guidelines was to make sure everything was historically accurate in terms of currents trends and historic preservation and to also make the guidelines more condense for ease of use.



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City Planner Shawn Putman along with Ms. Carrie Giouque summarized the citizen's discussions, comments and questions from the City of Camden public input meeting held on September 20, 2012. City Planner, Shawn Putman and City Manager Kevin Bronson noted that all suggestions and comments from the public input meetings and from the Historic Landmarks Commission will be considered and incorporated into the City of Camden Commercial and Residential District Design Guidelines.

There was lengthy discussion and questions from Council regarding this matter. Councilmember Long questioned the status of the citizen survey - referencing those citizens that have been through the major and/or minor historical application process. Staff has developed a survey that will be mailed out citizens within next two weeks.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Councilmember Long requested staff present a presentation at the first October Work Session, providing information in regards to cost projection for sports complex; depending upon the outcome of the Faber's lawsuit against the use of the hospitality tax.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Council, on motion by Councilmember Polk, seconded by Councilmember Long, voted unanimously to adjourn the Work Session at 5:07 pm.

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Mayor Jeffrey R. Graham

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Brenda Davis, City Clerk