



City of Camden
South Carolina

CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL

WORK SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

4:00 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT

Mayor Anthony P. Scully

Mayor Pro-Tem X. Willard Polk

Councilmember Walter M. Long

Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford (absent)

Councilmember Laurel M. Parks

City Manager Mel Pearson

City Clerk Brenda Davis

C-I Staff Reporter Miciah Bennett

and interested Citizens

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anthony P. Scully called the Camden City Council Work Session to order at 4:00 p.m.

WELCOME – City Manager Mel Pearson welcomed Council to the September 10, 2013 Camden City Council Work Session and informed Council of the Wellness Flu Shot Clinic to be held at Camden City Hall from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on October 24, 2013.

COUNCIL MEETING RECORDINGS - Pearson

City Manager Mel Pearson presented Council with information on the video proposals presented by the Camden Media Company and KM Video Productions regarding Council Meeting Recordings. Mr. Pearson outlined each proposal to Council as they were submitted to staff for consideration. Staff recommended the Camden Media Company proposal. The Camden Media video proposal included an added value of \$34,134.60 at no cost to the City to market the City through full-page color ads in the *Fort Jackson Leader* and *The Shaw News*; however, Council voiced some concerns and agreed that they were more in favor of the simplicity of KM Video Productions proposal.

During further discussion, Council directed staff to set-up a “test platform” with KM Video Productions. Council will review the Contingency Fund and make a decision on the video proposals at an upcoming meeting.

Please refer to memo dated September 5, 2013 **RE:** Council Meeting Recording for additional information on the *Video Proposals* from Camden Media Company and KM Video Productions.

SOUTH RUTLEDGE STREET PARKING LOT UPDATE – Pearson

Council was briefed on the South Rutledge Street Parking Lot project. Construction is scheduled to take no longer than 90 days. The city’s goal is to have the parking area available for use during the 2013 Carolina Downhome Blues Festival to be held October 3rd – 5th.



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CHRISTMAS DECORATION 2013 - Pearson

City Manager Mel Pearson presented Council with information regarding the upcoming holiday season and city-wide Christmas decorations. Mr. Pearson noted an inventory list of needs recommended by staff at a cost of \$6,150. Council voiced some concerns on the cost of the decorations followed by a request for staff to provide the balance of the Contingency Fund. Council directed staff to proceed with the purchasing of the recommended city-wide holiday decorations. All decorations and lights will be installed and in working order by November 27, 2013.

FY 2013-14 SOLID WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING GRANT (SCDHEC) – Pearson

City Manager Mel Pearson presented Council with information regarding a grant the City of Camden was awarded through the South Carolina Department of Health and Environment Control (SCDHEC) for the FY 2014 Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Program. The grant award is in the amount of \$5,000, with no match requirement from the City. The \$5,000 will fund the purchase of 100 residential recycling roll carts; expanding Camden's Recycling Pilot Program of the current 200 participants.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Scully requested Council and staff inform everyone through social media of the community-wide meeting to be held by Arnett Muldrow regarding the marketing plan for the city of Camden. The community-wide meeting will be held at the Robert Mills Courthouse on Wednesday, September 18th at 6 p.m.

Councilmember Long requested staff research additional information and/or other alternatives regarding the house located at 507 Broad Street. Staff will present alternatives to this property at an upcoming meeting once previous activity and/or decisions with the owners of this property have taken place.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council on motion by Councilmember Long seconded by Mayor Scully, voted unanimously to adjourn the Work Session at 4:45 p.m.

Attest:

Brenda Davis, City Clerk

Mayor Anthony P. Scully