



MINUTES

CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, June 10, 2014

6:30 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

Mayor Anthony P. Scully; Mayor Pro-Tem Laurel M. Parks; Councilmember Walter M. Long, Jr.; Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford and Councilmember X. Willard Polk; City Clerk Brenda Davis; City Manager Mel Pearson; Finance Director Debra Courtney; Chronicle-Independent Editor, Martin Cahn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anthony P. Scully called the Camden City Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted unanimously to adopt the May 27, 2014, City Council Regular Meeting Minutes with amendments and the May 27, 2014, Work Session Meeting Minutes.

PUBLIC FORUM

No Public Comments

PUBLIC HEARING

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Long, voted unanimously to enter into a public hearing to receive public comments regarding an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of a not exceeding seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) hospitality fee revenue bond (taxable), series 2014 of the City of Camden, South Carolina, and others matters relating thereto.

There being no public hearing comments, Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Long, followed by comments, voted unanimously to close the public hearing.



ORDINANCE #14-010 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted to accept the first reading of an Ordinance authorizing and providing for the issuance of Hospitality Fee Revenue Bonds of the City of Camden, South Carolina, and other matters relating thereto.

After discussion and comments from Council and remarks from City Attorney Lawrence Flynn, Mayor Scully called for question on the motion. Those voting in favor of the motion were Mayor Scully, Councilmember Long, Councilmember Parks and Councilmember Drakeford. Voting in opposition was Councilmember Polk.

ORDINANCE #14-011 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Long, followed by comments from council, voted to accept the first reading of an Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of a not exceeding seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) hospitality fee revenue bond (taxable), series 2014 of the City of Camden, South Carolina, and other matters relating thereto.

During discussion, Councilmember Polk stated that he was not opposed to the Ross Beard Collection but restated that he was opposed to the use of tax payer's funds to acquire the personal collection of a private individual.

After further discussion and comments from Council and City Attorney Lawrence Flynn, Mayor Scully called for question on the original motion. Those voting in favor of the motion were Mayor Scully, Councilmember Long, Councilmember Parks and Councilmember Drakeford. Voting in opposition was Councilmember Polk.

ORDINANCE #14-011 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Polk, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted unanimously to approve an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an employment agreement between the City of Camden and the City Manager.

HTAX COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FY 2014/2015

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Polk, voted unanimously to approve the HTAX Committee recommendations for the disbursement of the City's HTAX funds.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

PARKS & TREES COMMISSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Drakeford, seconded by Councilmember Polk, voted unanimously to approve the re-appointment of Mary Sue Truesdale to the Parks & Trees Commission with term to expire on May 31, 2017.



Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Polk, voted unanimously to approve the re-appointment of Deborah Davis to the Parks & Trees Commission with term to expire on May 31, 2017.

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Thelma Rutledge to the Parks & Trees Commission with term to expire on May 31, 2017.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Polk, voted unanimously to adjourn the Council meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Mayor Anthony P. Scully

Attest:

Brenda Davis, City Clerk