CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 13, 2015  6:30 P.M.  Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT
Mayor Anthony P. Scully  City Clerk Brenda Davis
Mayor Pro-Tem Jeffrey R. Graham  City Manager Mel Pearson
Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford  Finance Director Debra Courtney
Councilmember Laurel M. Parks  Chronicle-Independent Editor Martin Cahn
Councilmember Deborah H. Davis  and interested citizens

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION
Mayor Pro-Tem Jeffrey R. Graham 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 Work Session Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2014, and the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2014.

PUBLIC FORUM
No Public Comments.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
John Cushman, Vice Chair of SC Equine Park informed Council that the City’s grant application submitted to the state, on behalf of the SC Equine Promotion, was approved in the amount of $250,000 by the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. The grant will assist in building a new $800,000 covered arena at the SC Equine Park.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION
Chief John Bowers along with City Council recognized Career Firefighter of the year 2014–Lt. Chris Tidwell and Volunteer Firefighter of the Year – Retired Captain Gene Parnell.

2015 STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS
City Manager, Mel Pearson informed Council of deadline to electronically file the 2015 Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) report filing for year 2014 information.
ORDINANCE #2015-001 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve the first reading of an ordinance authorizing the purchase of 0.02 acres of vacant land located on Commerce Alley behind 1029 Broad Street being a portion of Kershaw County Tax Map #C284-12-00-161.

FAÇADE GRANT
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to approve the Façade Grants Application in the amount of $3,666.00 with a City match of $1,833.00 for 629 Rutledge Street (Side), Camden, SC – Charles Wood-Wood’s Beauty Shop.

FAÇADE GRANT
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve the Façade Grants Application in the amount of $1,696.00 with a City match of $848.00 for 629 Rutledge Street (Side), Camden, SC – Charles Wood-Wood’s Beauty Shop.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Mr. Robert “Bob” Williams to the Parks & Trees Commission to fill an unexpired term ending on May 31, 2017.

OTHER BUSINESS
No other business.

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

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Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

Attest:

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Brenda Davis, City Clerk