



CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

6:30 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT

Mayor Anthony P. Scully
Mayor Pro-Tem Jeffrey R. Graham
Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford
Councilmember Laurel M. Parks
Councilmember Deborah Hudson Davis

City Clerk Brenda Davis
City Manager Mel Pearson
Finance Director Debra Courtney (absent)
Chronicle-Independent Jim Tatum
and interested citizens

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Councilmember Deborah H. Davis 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 Davis, voted unanimously to adopt the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of April 24, 2015.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Catherine French, South Carolina Humanities Board

Catherine French, Executive Director of the National Steeplechase Museum presented a brief presentation, overview and activities scheduled for 2015 Humanities Festival. The city of Camden has been selected by The Humanities Council to host the 2015 SC Humanities Festival, April 30- May 2, 2015. The Humanities Festival celebrates the local history and culture of the host community and therefore dedicated to the memory of Camden resident and philanthropist, John Stringer Rainey.

CAMDEN & FD, KERSHAW COUNTY PUBLIC PROTECTION

CLASSIFICATION (PPC) SURVEY- Chief John Bowers

Chief John Bowers presented information on the Camden & FD, Kershaw County, Public Protection Classification survey results analyzed by representatives of the Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO). ISO completed its analysis of the structural fire suppression delivery system resulting in a 03/3x classification effective July 1, 2015. The Camden Fire Department improved its ISO rating from a 04 to a 03, placing the department in the top 20 percent of fire departments in South Carolina and the top 8 percent nationwide.

For additional information please refer to letter dated March 30, 2015 **RE:** Camden & Fd, Kershaw County, South Carolina – Public Protection Classification: 03/3X



PROCLAMATION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to proclaim the week of May 10-16, 2015, as Police Week. Sergeant James Heming of the Camden Police Department was in attendance to receive the proclamation.

PUBLIC FORUM

No public comments.

RESOLUTION #2015-011

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an easement agreement with the Kershaw County School District.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously re-appoint Mrs. Jane Miller to the Parks and Trees Commission with term to expire on May 31, 2018.

APPROVAL OF LEADER’S LEGACY RECOGNITION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve Leader’s Legacy Recognition for the following individual:
Mr. Larry H. Parrott, MD.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Drakeford suggested Council proclaim the month of June 2015 as Small Cities Month.

Mayor Pro-Tem Graham reminded Council and the community that the Goodwill Financial Stability Center will open on April 29, 2015. The center will provide financial guidance tools to the community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss a contractual matter.

REGULAR SESSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 7:30 p.m. No action was taken during Executive Session.



ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

Attest:

Brenda Davis, City Clerk