



CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 26, 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
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 Works Session Meeting Minutes and the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2015.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Council recognized Lieutenant Rodger Roscoe for his service to the Camden Fire Department. Lieutenant Rodger Roscoe began his career at the Camden Fire Department in 1984 as a volunteer Firefighter; he then became a career Firefighter in 1992 before retiring in March 2015.

PROCLAMATION

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to proclaim May 30, 2015, as Teen Pregnancy Prevention Day. Those in attendance to receive the proclamation were Meredith Hines, Greer Pickett, Patricia Soloman, Courtney Williams and other members of Camden First United Methodist Church.

PROCLAMATION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Drakeford, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by discussion, voted unanimously to proclaim the month of June 2015, as Small Cities Month.



SPECIAL PRESENTATION

SAGE Nonprofit Consultants, Jackie Breland and Anne Sinclair presented a brief presentation and overview of a strategic plan project for Historic Camden. The city of Camden hired SAGE Nonprofit Consultants to conduct a comprehensive assessment, help the foundation formulate an overall five-year strategic plan and, eventually, will help the foundation develop a “road map” of action steps for target areas to achieve the goals of the strategic plan. SAGE Nonprofit Consultants goal is to have the strategic plan ready to present to the Historic Camden Foundation Board for approval by July 22 and present the “road map” action plan by August 20, 2015.

For additional information on SAGE Nonprofit Consultants presentation please refer to handout dated 5/26/2015 **RE:** Historic Camden Foundation: Strategic Planning Project.

PUBLIC FORUM

No Public Comments.

ORDINANCE #2015-004 2nd Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by discussion, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an ordinance adopting the operating and capital budget for the City of Camden, South Carolina Fiscal Year July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.

ORDINANCE #2015-005 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance annexing property located at 16 Chesnut Ferry Road and assigning an Interim Zoning Classification of R-6.

ORDINANCE #2015-006 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance annexing property located at 33 Chesnut Ferry Road and assigning an Interim Zoning Classification of R-6

ORDINANCE #2015-007 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance annexing property located at 200 Lynwood Road and assigning an Interim Zoning Classification of R-6

ORDINANCE #2015-008 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Drakeford, seconded by Councilmember Parks, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance amending the City of Camden’s Business License Ordinance adding a new rate class, providing for declining rates and addressing other matters relating thereto.



ORDINANCE #2015-009 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Parks, followed by discussion from Council, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance rezoning property located at 2615 Liberty Hill Road and amending the Planned Development District for property at 100 Knights Hill Road.

RESOLUTION # 2015-014

Council on motion, by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to approve a resolution adopting the updated Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Santee-Lynches Region of South Carolina.

RESOLUTION # 2015-015

Council on motion, by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to approve a resolution revising an Operating Policy regarding the Water Distribution System.

RESOLUTION # 2015-016

Council on motion, by Councilmember Drakeford, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to approve a resolution revising an Operating Policy regarding the Sewer Collection System.

HTAX COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FY 2015-2016

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by discussion from Council, voted unanimously to approve the HTAX Committee recommendations for the disbursement of the City's HTAX funds for FY 2015-2016.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Mrs. Barbara Willens to the Parks & Trees Commission with term to expire on May 31, 2018.

Council held discussion on the Boards and Commission Application submitted by Mrs. Catherine French to join the Parks & Trees Commission; it was discovered that Mrs. French lives outside of the city limits, therefore the application could not be considered for approval.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business from Council.



ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

Attest:

Brenda Davis, City Clerk