



## CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Tuesday, June 9, 2015

6:30 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

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### 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 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 Davis, voted unanimously to adopt the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of May 26, 2015.

### PUBLIC FORUM

**Sandra Granger** – 302 Kings Chase Road spoke regarding her concerns on the proposed development of Beechwood Property and rezoning the property to Planned Development District (PDD) – Retirement Community. Mrs. Granger spoke against the Beechwood development citing safety concerns.

**Paul Appleton**- 4 Hunt Cup Lane, spoke regarding his concerns on the proposed development of the Beechwood Property speaking against the development citing traffic issues that may arise from the development.

**Bill Gore** – 2 Hunt Cup Lane, also spoke regarding his concerns of the Beechwood development noting his concerns of lack of public input regarding the development and density of the project.

**Woody Cleveland**- 1816 Brevard Place, spoke in favor of the Beechwood development. Mr. Cleveland gave a brief history of the how the Beechwood Retirement Community initially became a proposed plan.



**Danny Sanford** – Still Hopes Episcopal Retirement Community, Columbia, SC, spoke in favor of the proposed development of the Beechwood Property, expressing that it would be a great addition to the Camden community.

**Willard Polk** – 521 Cooks Court, spoke regarding his concerns on the future of the parks in the city of Camden, specifically that trees need deadwood removed and flowering shrubs need to be pruned by a professional.

**Katie Noae** – 308 Kings Chase also spoke regarding her concerns of the Beechwood Property. Mrs. Noae spoke against the project and was concerned with the proposed zoning of PDD for the property, a contingency traffic study, the density of the project and several other concerns regarding the proposed development of the Beachwood property.

**Austin Sheheen** – Mill Street Camden, SC spoke in favor of the project. Mr. Sheheen emphasized that the aim of the project is to benefit the community and expressed that the project will be transparent and will allow for future input from the citizens of Camden.

**BAILEY BILL PRESENTATION – C.D. RHODES III – POPE FLYNN, LLC**  
C.D. Rhodes of Pope Flynn, LLC presented brief information to Council regarding the Bailey Bill. The Bailey Bill is an incentive and a specific authorization that is intended to incentivize the rehabilitation of historic properties by offering tax incentives for property owners to rehabilitate historic properties.

Council will consider an ordinance authorizing and establishing a program to grant special property tax assessments to certain rehabilitated historic properties at an upcoming Regular City Council Meeting.

**ORDINANCE #2015-005 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

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

**ORDINANCE #2015-006 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

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

**ORDINANCE #2015-007 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

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



**ORDINANCE #2015-008 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve second 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted to approve second 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.

During discussion Councilmember Parks, made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to amend ordinance #2015-009 to include a finding of fact that the proposed planned development meets the minimum area requirements of Section 157.031(I) of the Zoning Ordinance which requires that a planned development district contain at least ten contiguous acres, notwithstanding that this planned development will also contain certain non-contiguous acreage. The motion carried unanimously.

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by additional comments from Council, voted unanimously to approve second reading an ordinance with amendments, rezoning property located at 2615 Liberty Hill Road and amending the Planned Development District for property at 100 Knights Hill Road, as amended.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business from Council.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss a real estate contractual matter and to receive legal advice regarding a lawsuit matter.

**REGULAR SESSION**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 8:00 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 8:01 p.m.

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Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

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Brenda Davis, City Clerk