



## CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Tuesday, June 23, 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

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 Davis, voted unanimously to adopt the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2015.

### PUBLIC FORUM

**Willard Polk** – 521 Cooks Court, spoke regarding his concerns on the condition of the tennis courts at Rectory Square and Scotts Park. Mr. Polk stated he was in disagreement with of the city’s decision to deny the amount of requested funds by Kershaw County to rehabilitate the tennis courts.

Mr. Polk also spoke regarding his concerns of the City’s Boards and Commission and its membership guidelines stating that “members should be allowed join if they live outside the voting limits of city of Camden”.

**Bruce Fields** – Camden, SC spoke regarding his concerns of the zoning of the Pine Tree Hill Property. Mr. Fields spoke against the project and ask that the project be put on hold.

**CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION** – Council recognized Lorraine Wilson for her 26 years of service to the City of Camden. Council along with City Manager Mel Pearson and on behalf of city staff, presented Lorraine Wilson with gifts for her years of service to the City of Camden.



**RECOGNITION – CAMDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Richard S. Campbell Award – For Excellence in Public Safety Education.  
The Camden Fire Department received the Richard S. Campbell Award for excellence in Public Safety Education at the annual of South Carolina State Fire Chief Association Conference- Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Chief John Bowers shared brief remarks regarding the Camden Fire Department receiving the award.

**ORDINANCE #2015-010 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance rezoning property located at 1300 Gardner Street, 1309 Lakeshore Drive and 1319 Lakeshore Drive from R-15 to OI.

**ORDINANCE #2015-011 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from City Attorney Lawrence Flynn and additional comments from Council, voted unanimously to approve first reading an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of combined Public Utility System Revenue Bonds to be designated Series 2015, in the principal amount of not exceeding seven million dollars (\$7,000,000) of the City of Camden, South Carolina; and other matters relating thereto.

**RESOLUTION #2015-017**

Council on motion, by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from Council, voted unanimously to approve a resolution appropriating the expenditure of project improvement funds for the Meyer-Thiel Animal Adoption Center.

**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**PARKS & TREES COMMISSION**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Maureen Renault to the Parks & Trees Commission with term to expire on May 31, 2016.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Councilmember Parks requested staff update Council on City of Camden’s Board and Commission vacancies at an upcoming Work Session.



**ADJOURN**

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

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Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

Attest:

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Brenda Davis, City Clerk