CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, November 24, 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 Jim Tatum
Councilmember Deborah Hudson Davis  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 October 27, 2015 and the November 10, 2015, Work Session Meeting Minutes.

PUBLIC FORUM
No Public Comments

PROCLAMATION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to proclaim November 28, 2015, as Small Business Saturday. Representative Laurie Funderburk and members of the Chamber of Commerce were in attendance to receive the proclamation.

ORDINANCE #2015-024 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from City Attorney Lawrence Flynn, voted to approve first reading of an ordinance authorizing and establishing an Economic Development Incentive Program to encourage Private Investment in the Incentive Area of the City of Camden; and other matters related thereto.

After discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Graham made a motion, seconded by Mayor Scully to amend the ordinance authorizing and establishing an Economic Development Incentive Program to encourage private investment in the Incentive Area of the City of Camden; and other matters related thereto. The ordinance was amended to change the map (Exhibit E-
Incentive Area & Super Incentive Area) to include the areas between Interstate-Exit 98 at I-20 to Bull Street following to Chestnut Ferry Road to Wateree River then expanding the district north toward the end of Chestnut Ferry Road going up Springdale, the minimum investment for commercial property along these areas would be $1 million.

After further discussion, Council on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, seconded by Mayor Scully, voted unanimously to accept the first reading of an ordinance authorizing and establishing an Economic Development Incentive of the City of Camden; and other matter related thereto, as amended.

ORDINANCE #2015-025 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Parks, followed by comments from City Attorney Lawrence Flynn, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of Combined Public Utility System Improvement Revenue Bonds to be designated Series 2016A, in the principal amount of not exceeding seven million eighty dollars ($7,080,000) of the City of Camden, South Carolina; and other matters relating thereto.

FAÇADE GRANT
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to accept the Façade Grants Application in the amount of $2,065.50 with a City match of $1,032.75 for 2519 Broad Street – Markley Properties.

OTHER BUSINESS
No other business from Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 7:02 p.m. to discuss a proposed purchase of property.

REGULAR SESSION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 7:15 p.m. No action was taken during Executive 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 7:20 p.m.

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Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

Attest:

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Brenda Davis, City Clerk