



**CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL**  
**WORK SESSION MINUTES**

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Tuesday, February 10, 2015

4:00 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 (absent)  
Chronicle-Independent Jim Tantum  
and interested citizens

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Anthony P. Scully called the Camden City Council Work Session to order at 5:00 p.m.

**WELCOME** – City Manager Mel Pearson welcomed Council to the February 10, 2015, Camden City Council Work Session.

**CAMDEN WAYFINDING MASTER PLAN UPDATE – Graham Wimberly of SkyDesign Atlanta and Wade Luther**

Economic Development Director Wade Luther updated Council on the Wayfinding Master Plan that utilizes the City’s newly developed “Classically Carolina” brand standards. Mr. Luther noted that the design phase of the project was ready for Council’s consideration; the project would then move forward with 2015-2016 budget process and consider additional phases of the signage to implement.

Graham Wimberly, consultant with SkyDesign of Atlanta presented a brief presentation on the design development phase of the signage plan. Showing examples of brick based signs located at primary gateways, banner type signs that incorporate jockey style colors in keeping with the city’s brand colors and illustrations of attractive street signage.

Council voiced some concerns but seemed overall pleased with the signage plan. Council will review final plans with more detailed cost estimates and phasing at an upcoming council meeting.

For additional information, please refer to “City of Camden Council Presentation” for review of the preliminary draft of the signage plan presented by Graham Wimberly, SkyDesign of Atlanta - dated 02.15.15 and Memo dated 02.15.15 **RE: Wayfinding Signage Master Plan.**



**CAMDEN ARCHIVES AND MUSEUM’S 2015 EXHIBIT SCHEDULE – Katherine Richardson**

Katherine Richardson gave an overview of the 2015 Camden Archives and Museum’s exhibit schedule. Mrs. Richardson presented brief descriptions of each activity scheduled and encouraged council and the public to participate in the upcoming activities.

**STAFF RECOMMENDED REORGANIZATION OF CAMDEN HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION (CHLC) – Mel Pearson**

City Manager Mel Pearson presented a brief overview of the reorganization of the Camden Historic Landmarks Commission. Staff recommends the following: Staff to support the Camden Historic Landmarks Commission in similar fashion as the Planning Commission.

In light of the repeal and the readopting of the new Zoning Ordinance and newly written Camden Design Guidelines, City Planner Shawn Putnam along with his assistant will provide staff support to the Camden Historic Landmarks Commission. Mr. Putnam will review and research the information required for major Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) Applications and his assistant will assist with the recording of the CHLC minutes. Staff will make a decision on each individual major application for approval and/or denial and then make contact with the homeowner/contractor with a decision before COA applications are submitted to the Camden Historic Landmarks Commission for final approval.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business from Council.

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Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

Attest:

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Brenda Davis, City Clerk