CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, March 8, 2016  6:30 P.M.  Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT
Mayor Anthony P. Scully
Mayor Pro Tem Alfred Mae Drakeford (absent)
Councilmember Jeffrey R. Graham
Councilmember Laurel M. Parks (absent)
Councilmember Deborah Hudson Davis
City Clerk Brenda Davis
City Manager Mel Pearson
Assistant City Manager Caitlin Corbett
Finance Director Debra Courtney
Chronicle-Independent Jim Tatum
and interested citizens

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION
Councilmember Deborah Hudson 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 Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to adopt the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2016.

PROCLAMATION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Graham, voted unanimously to proclaim March 3rd, 2016, as Free Clinic Awareness Week. Susan Witkowski, SCFCA Board Chair and Sheri Baytes of West Wateree Free Clinic were in attendance to receive the proclamation.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Miss Camden and Miss Camden Teen 2015
Council recognized Miss Grace Smith, a senior at Camden High School for being crowned Miss Camden 2015 and Miss Cassandra Grace Gibson, a sophomore at North Central High School for being crowned Miss Camden Teen 2015.

PUBLIC FORUM
Richard Lackey, 424 Cool Springs Drive, spoke during the public forum regarding his concerns or the proposed property exchange between the City of Camden and the Kershaw County School District. Mr. Lackey expressed several concerns regarding the proposed exchange of property, noting that the swap could compromise intergovernmental relations and possibly terminate the American Legion baseball program.
ORDINANCE #2016-002 2nd Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Graham, voted unanimously to approve second reading an ordinance amending certain provisions of Article VII of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Camden pertaining to sign regulation; and other matters related thereto.

ORDINANCE #2016-003 2nd Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an ordinance amending certain provision of Article III of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Camden pertaining to administration and enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance; and other matters related thereto.

ORDINANCE #2016-004 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Graham, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson and discussion from Council, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of donation of real property located at 529 East DeKalb Street bearing Kershaw County Tax Map Number C284-12-00-133 further identified as the Hazelwood Cleaners Building.

ORDINANCE #2016-005 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson and discussion from Council, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance to authorize the swap of real property located in the City of Camden with the School District of Kershaw County.

ORDINANCE #2016-006 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Graham, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson and discussion from Council, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance and Contract of Sale authorizing the purchase of 533 East DeKalb Street bearing Kershaw County Tax Map Number C284-12-00-032 and ratification of actions by the City Manager in regards thereto.

RESOLUTION #2016-006
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from Council, voted unanimously to accept a resolution approving funds for the Wayfinding Signage Program.

RESOLUTION #2016-007
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve a resolution ratifying a Mutual Aid Agreement between the Bethune Police Department and the Camden Police Department.
OTHER BUSINESS
No other business from Council.

ADJOURN
There being no further business, Council on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to adjourn the Council meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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Mayor Anthony P. Scully

Attest:

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City Clerk Brenda Davis