



CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

6:00 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford
Mayor Pro Tem Jeffrey R. Graham
Councilmember Deborah Hudson Davis
Councilmember Stephen R. Smoak
Councilmember Joanna B. Craig
City Clerk Brenda Davis

City Manager Mel Pearson
Assistant City Manager Caitlin Young (absent)
Finance Director Debra Courtney (absent)
Chronicle-Independent Martin Cahn
and interested citizens

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Councilmember Deborah H. Davis gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford called the Camden City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Craig, voted unanimously to adopt the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2018.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Council recognized VFW Officer of the year – Sgt. Tim LeGault and VFW Fireman of the Year – Roger Roscoe. Captain Lee Boan and Chief John Bowers made a presentation on Sgt. Tim LeGault and Roger Roscoe previous work accomplishments and explained why they were nominated for the awards. A coin for excellence in service was presented to Tim LeGault and Roger Roscoe from the Office of the Mayor.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Craig, followed by comments from Council, voted unanimously to present a proclamation of appreciation to the Price House Commission in honor of its outstanding service in helping to promote, protect and preserve African American life, history and culture in Camden and Kershaw County. The Price House Commission members were unable to attend to receive recognition. The proclamation will be presented at Council's March 13, 2018 meeting.

PRESENTATION – Santee Lee Regional Council of Governments (SLRCOG)

A presentation by Mr. Kyle Kelly of SLRCOG Economic & Community Sustainability Department (ECS). Executive Director of SLRCOG, Chris McKinney presented a brief intro on the purpose of Kyle Kelly's presentation and SLRCOG future presentations to Council.



Kyle Kelly, Economic & Community Sustainability Chief presented a brief presentation to Council on what services the SLRCOG Economic & Community Sustainability (ECS) Department can provide to the city. Santee-Lynches is the Economic Development District, Transportation Planning Region, Water Quality Planning Region, and HOME investment Partnership Consortium. The ECS Department provides planning and implementation services for the local governments in the four-county region, as well as other key partners from the non-profit and for-profit communities. Mr. Kelly's presentation along with Mr. McKinney's closing remarks recapped the things SLRCOG do in support of the four-county region and the things SLRCOG can do add value to the City of Camden and the other regions.

PUBLIC FORUM

No Public Comments.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Craig, followed by comments from City Planner Shawn Putnam, voted unanimously to enter into Public Hearing at 6:25pm to receive public comments concerning an application to the Recreational Trails Program for a grant to resurface the trail at Scott Park.

Maureen Renault of 1607 Jordon Street, spoke during the Public Hearing complimenting council and staff on recognizing quality of life issues and of creation of public spaces.

After hearing public comments, Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Craig, voted unanimously to close the public hearing at 6:31pm.

ORDINANCE #2018-002 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from Council voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance amending certain sections of the Land Development Regulations of the City of Camden pertaining to requirements for plats and mailboxes; and other matters thereto.

ORDINANCE #2018-003 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Craig, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance assigning a final zoning classification of Commercial Mixed Use (CMU) to property located at 559 Sumter Hwy.

RESOLUTION #2018-005

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing the consumption of beer and wine at South Carolina Waterfowl Association Banquet.



RESOLUTION #2018-006

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing the consumption of beer and wine at Finally Friday.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Craig, voted unanimously to appoint the following individual to the Parks and Trees Commission with term to expire on May 31, 2020: Mike O. Eddings.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business from Council

ADJOURN

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford

Attest:

Brenda Davis, City Clerk