



## CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Tuesday, April 24, 2018

6:00 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

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### **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  
Chronicle-Independent Martin Cahn  
and interested citizens

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **INVOCATION**

Councilmember Joanna B. Craig 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 Craig, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, voted unanimously to adopt the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2018.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

No Public Comments

### **SPECIAL RECOGNITION- Public Works**

Council recognized the 2018 SCEC award recipients for receiving the Crystal Crucible Individual Award and the Crystal Crucible Award Facility at the South Carolina Environmental Conference at Myrtle Beach in March. Jamie E. Potteiger, III won the individual Crystal Crucible Award and the City of Camden Wastewater Treatment Facility won the facility Crystal Crucible Award. A coin for excellence in service was presented to each recipient from the Office of the Mayor

### **SPECIAL RECOGNITION – Police Department**

Council recognized the following officers who received the Camden Police Department Officer of the year award, the Clyburn Award and the South Carolina Department of Public Safety Award: Officer Keith Strickland- 2017 Officer of the Year Award, Ryan Anderson – Clyburn Award and Cpl. Carl Olson for receiving the 2017 S.C. Law Enforcement Network Category 3 Officer of the Year Award for efforts in DUI laws. A coin for excellence in service was presented to the each individual from the Office of the Mayor.



**PRESENTATION** - Connie Munn, of Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments (SLRCOG).

Executive Director of SLRCOG, Chris McKinney presented a brief intro on the purpose of Connie Munn’s presentation and the purpose of the Health and Human Services and Area Agency on Aging to the Santee-Lynches region.

Connie Munn, Chief Health and Human Services and Area Agency on Aging Director presented a brief presentation to Council on SLRCOG Health and Human Services mission, programs provided and who they serve. Health and Human Services mission is to promote programs designed to enhance independence and improve health and wellness of seniors and people with disabilities in the Santee-Lynches region. Serving seniors who need help navigating the maze of services offered in our region and partnering with communities to better service the elderly population.

**PROCLAMATION**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, voted unanimously to proclaim May 3-6, 2018 as “*Welcome the Wall That Heals Exhibit Days*”. Members of American Legion Post #17 were in attendance to receive the proclamation.

**ORDINANCE #2018-005 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Craig, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson and discussion from Council, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance adopting the operating and capital budget for the City of Camden, South Carolina Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

**BOARDS AND COMMISSION**

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Smoak, voted unanimously to appoint the following individual to the Historic Landmarks Commission with term to expire on August 31, 2020: A. Mark Mohr

**APPROVAL OF LEADER’S LEGACY RECOGNITION**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, voted unanimously for the approval of Leader’s Legacy Recognition for the following individuals: Marilyn Porter Kohn & Edwin R. “Rudy” Kohn, Jr.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

No Other Business.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council, on motion by Councilmember Craig, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 6:50 pm to discuss a contractual matter related to Wholesale Power.



**REGULAR SESSION**

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Craig, unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 7:10 pm.

**ACTION ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE DISCUSSION OF A CONTRACTUAL MATTER RELATED TO WHOLESALE POWER.**

No action taken

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

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Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford

Attest:

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City Clerk Brenda Davis