CITY OF CAMDEN
SOUTH CAROLINA

CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 22, 2019  6:00 P.M.  Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT
Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford (absent)  City Manager Mel Pearson
Mayor Pro Tern Joanna B. Craig  Assistant City Manager Caitlin Young
Councilmember Jeffrey R. Graham  Finance Director Debra Courtney
Councilmember Stephen R. Smoak  Chronicle-Independent Martin Cahn (absent)
Councilmember Deborah H. Davis  and interested citizens
City Clerk Brenda Davis

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION
Councilmember Deborah H. Davis gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Pro Tern Joanna B. Craig called the Camden City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Smoak, voted unanimously to adopt the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2019.

PUBLIC FORUM
No Public Comments.

PRESENTATION – 2018 Fiscal Year Audit Report
Janet M. Pierce, CPA of Cantey, Tiller, Pierce & Green, LLP, presented the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 audit report. The City of Camden received an unmodified opinion related to the audit. A Single Audit was also completed as federal grant revenues exceeded $750,000. There were no restrictions on the scope of work done by Cantey, Tiller, Pierce & Green, LLP, as they received full cooperation from the City staff and Council. Mrs. Pierce presented a detailed graphic overview of the General Funds, Proprietary Funds, Capital Project Funds and Hospitality Tax Fund. The primary purpose of Mrs. Pierce’s report to Council was to present the significant findings from the Cantey, Tiller, Pierce & Green, LLP audit.

ORDINANCE #2019-001 2”d Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an ordinance adopting the City of Camden 2028 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Camden, South Carolina; and other matters related thereto.
ORDINANCE #2019-002 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance of the City of Camden, South Carolina amending and adding provisions to Title XIII, Chapter 130 of the City's Code of Ordinances; and other matters related thereto.

ORDINANCE #2019-003 2nd Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance assigning a Final Zoning Classification of R-10 to property located at 921 John G. Richards Road. (Property belonging to 3B Development LLC)

ORDINANCE #2019-004 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by discussion from Council, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance assigning a Final Zoning Classification of R-15 to property located at 817 John G. Richards Road, 819 John G. Richards Road and portions of 921 John G. Richards Road. (Property belonging to 3B Development, LLC)

ORDINANCE #2019-005 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Graham, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance assigning a Final Zoning Classification of Commercial Mixed Use (CMU) to property located at 2209 and 2235 West DeKalb Street. (Property belonging to BMS Camden, LLC)

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 6:20 pm to discuss a contractual matter related to real estate.

REGULAR SESSION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 6:50pm.

ACTION ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL CONTRACTURAL MATTER RELATED TO REAL ESTATE.
No action taken
RESOLUTION #2019-001
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into discussions with 3B Development LLC in reference to the City Utility servicing Friendship Hill property.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to reappoint the following individuals to the Price House Commission with term to expire on July 31, 2021: Laura C. Jones, Polly Lampshire, Elizabeth Robinson, Jacqueline Greene-Stuckey, Vernon Tucker and Ponza A. Vaughn.

OTHER BUSINESS
No other business from Council.

ADJOURN
There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.

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Mayor Pro Tern Joanna B. Craig

Attest:

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City Clerk Brenda Davis