



CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

6:00 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Councilmember Stephen R. Smoak gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Joanna B. Craig called the Camden City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to adopt the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2019.

PUBLIC FORUM

No Public Comments.

PRESENTATION

Steve Shumake, the American Red Cross Disaster Team Coordinator for Central, S.C. and Red Cross colleague, Gerald Jennings presented a plaque to the Camden Fire Department. A plaque representing the Red Cross Lifesaver Award. The Red Cross Lifesaver Award is given to recognize a lifesaving act performed by an individual or individuals who utilized skills learned through Red Cross health & safety training. The Fire Department was recognized on the success of its Home Fire Safety awareness campaign.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Council recognized Miss Joy DeWitt, a junior at the Columbia College for being crowned Miss Camden. Miss DeWitt plans to accomplish many goals as Miss Camden 2019 and further educate individuals about her platform- Joyful Memories: Bringing Joy to Children by supporting children who live in bad homes, childhood diseases, etc. so they may have more good memories than bad.

Council then recognized Miss Maggie Knotts, a student of Lugoff-Elgin High School for being crowned Miss Camden Teen 2019. Miss Knotts plans to accomplish many goals as



Miss Camden Teen 2019 and further educate individuals about her platform “Hunger and Housing” by bringing awareness to her community through dedicated services.

PROCLAMATION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to proclaim the week of March 18-24, as Boykin Spaniel Week.

ORDINANCE #2019-006 2nd Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an ordinance approving the rezoning request of the properties located at 401 Dicey Ford Road and 403 Dicey Ford Road from R-15 to Limited Business District (LBD). Councilmember Smoak abstain from voting due to conflict of interest.

ORDINANCE #2019-007 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Graham, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance approving an application for a special property tax assessment for historic property located at 1025 Broad Street; and other matters related thereto.

ORDINANCE #2019-008 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance adding Title IX, Chapter 103: Single-Use Plastic Bags to the Code of Ordinances; and other matters related thereto.

RESOLUTION #2019-004

Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Smoak, voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing consumption of beer and wine at Habitat for Humanity Shaggin’ on the Green.

RESOLUTION #2019-005

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Graham, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 6:25 pm to discuss potential real estate and contractual matters.

REGULAR SESSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Davis, unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 7:10 pm.



**ACTION ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE DISCUSSION OF
POTENTIAL CONTRACTURAL MATTER RELATED TO REAL
ESTATE.**

No action taken

OTHER BUSINESS

No other Business from Council.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Mayor Pro Tem Joanna B. Craig

Attest:

City Clerk Brenda Davis