



CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

6:00 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford
Mayor Pro Tem Joanna B. Craig
Councilmember Jeffrey R. Graham (absent)
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

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford 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 Mayor Pro Tem Craig, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to adopt the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2019. Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford abstain from voting due to her absence at the March 12, meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Paula Scarborough – Union Street, Camden SC voiced her concerns on the proposed ordinance to ban and decrease the use of single-use plastic bags in the City. She urged Council to slow down and consider providing public information on the ban and proper disposal methods for a period of a year.

PROCLAMATION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Craig, voted unanimously to proclaim the month of April 2019, as Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Prevention Month. Members of The Family Resource Center were in attendance to receive the proclamation.

RESOLUTION #2019-006

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Craig, seconded by Councilmember Smoak, voted unanimously to approve a resolution to provide a work environment free of recognized hazards through the establishment and implementation of loss control policies and procedures, and their subsequent amendments and additions, designed to provide protection to City employees, public and private property, and members of the public.



RESOLUTION #2019-007

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Craig, voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing consumption of beer and wine at “Stand Up For Shay” Fundraiser Event.

ORDINANCE #2019-007 2nd Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Craig, voted unanimously to approve second 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 2nd Reading

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Craig seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from Council, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an ordinance adding Title IX, Chapter 103: Single-Use Plastic Bags to the Code of Ordinances; and other matters related thereto.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Craig, seconded by Councilmember Smoak, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 6:17 pm to discuss contractual matters related to economic development.

REGULAR SESSION

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Craig, seconded by Councilmember Davis, unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 6:41 pm.

ACTION ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL CONTRACTURAL MATTER RELATED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

No action taken

ORDINANCE #2019-009 1st Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Craig, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson and discussion from Council, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance approving the execution and delivery of an option to purchase agreement; approving the execution and delivery of an inducement agreement; approving the execution and delivery of a lease agreement; and other matters relating thereto



OTHER BUSINESS

- Councilmember Smoak requested information on the ban of Vaping and E-Cigarettes.
- City Manager Mel Pearson reminded Council that Ethic Reports are due March 30, 2019.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 pm.

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford

Attest:

City Clerk Brenda Davis