



CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, June 27, 2017

6:00 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford
Mayor Pro Tem Deborah Hudson Davis
Councilmember Jeffrey R. Graham
Councilmember Stephen R. Smoak
Councilmember Joanna B. Craig
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 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 Davis, seconded by Councilmember Craig, voted unanimously to adopt the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2017.

RETIREMENT RECOGNITION

Council recognized Julie W. Lee – Secretary for Administration upon her retirement by presenting her with a Certificate of Recognition and an engraved watch. Julie W. Lee retired from the Camden City Hall on June 27, 2017, with 34 years of service.

PUBLIC FORUM

Katherine Brown – 1707 Lyttleton Street spoke during the public forum regarding her concerns of lack of communication and/or interest from community developers, shareholders, and downtown businesses owners to hear the presentations on Main Street and Retail Strategies presented at Council's 4 pm Work Session. Mrs. Brown also stated that the community should be in support other businesses that desire to come into Camden.

ORDINANCE #2017-007 2nd Reading

Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Craig, voted unanimously to approve second reading of an ordinance annexing property located at 1001 Old River Road and assigning an Interim Zoning Classification of GBD.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Parks and Trees Commission

Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis, voted unanimously to approve the reappointments of Mrs. Thelma F. Rutledge and Mr. Robert M. "Bob" Williams to the Parks And Trees Commission with terms to expire on May 31, 2020.



EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Davis, seconded by Councilmember Smoak, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 6:20 pm to discuss a contractual matter and a personnel matter.

REGULAR SESSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Smoak, seconded by Councilmember Craig, unanimously agreed to re-enter Regular Session at 6:40 pm.

ACTION ON MATTERS RELATING TO DISCUSSION OF A CONTRACTURAL MATTER AND A PERSONNEL MATTER.

No action taken in Executive Session.

RESOLUTION #2017-011

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Davis, seconded by Councilmember Craig, voted unanimously to authorize the Mayor to execute an Employment Agreement between the City of Camden and the City Manager, ratifying and confirming the provisions of an ordinance authorizing the employment of the City Manager, and other matters related thereto.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Alfred Mae Drakeford, Mayor

Attest:

Brenda Davis, City Clerk