GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

September 8, 2015 - 5:31 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT

Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Kenn Wiltshire, Johnny Williams, and Ronnie Ables; City Manager Charles Barrineau, Assistant City Manager Julia Wilkie, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, and City/County Planning Director Phil Lindler; Brian King from gwdToday.com and Colin Riddle from the Index Journal.

ABSENT

Councilor Niki Hutto.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor D. Welborn Adams called the meeting in Council Chambers to order at 5:31 p.m.

City Manager Charles Barrineau gave the invocation.

STATEMENT AND QUORUM

Mayor Adams read the following statement, “In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, Chapter 4, Title 30, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, an agenda has been posted on the front door of City Hall and notification of this meeting has been given to the news media.”

City Manager Charles Barrineau confirmed that a quorum was present.
CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 15-027 Amending Ordinance 03-010, Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 3, Adding Section 3.3.7., NS (Neighborhood Services); along with Sections 3.3.7.1., 3.3.7.2., 3.3.7.3., & 3.3.7.4. Additional and Conditional Uses Allowed.

(2nd reading)

Under Unfinished Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the new Neighborhood Services (NS) zoning district. There were no changes since first reading.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 15-027 was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Linda Edwards.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 15-029 Authorizing a Lease for a Portion of Property within the Right-of-Way of North Creek Drive.

(2nd reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed his request for authorization to sign a lease agreement with the owner of North Creek Shopping Plaza at 210 North Creek Boulevard.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance 15-029 was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 15-019 Amending the City of Greenwood’s Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning a Parcel of Land Located at 606 Gilliam Avenue Totaling .07 Acre from RM7 (High Density Residential Manufactured Housing) to NS (Neighborhood Services).

Under Public Hearings, City Manager Barrineau reviewed the request to rezone 606 Gilliam Avenue to Neighborhood Services (NS).

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 15-019 was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Linda Edwards.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Resolution 15-010 to Request the South Carolina Department of Transportation for a Four-Way Stop at the Intersection of Edgefield Street and Maxwell Avenue.

City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Council of the SCDOT request for their opinion of having a four-way stop at the intersection of Edgefield Street and Maxwell Avenue. All the adjoining property owners are in agreement that there is a need. The only change will be the route for City Fire trucks answering calls by using Mill Avenue to access the western side of the railroad tracks.

DISCUSSION:

City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councilor Kenn Wiltshire that one of the stop signs will be located at the Uptown Market.

Councilor Linda Edwards was concerned of traffic congestion after a train goes through the crossing at that intersection. City Manager Barrineau confirmed that there shouldn’t be much of a change with the flow of traffic. There will be added signage with railroad crossing warnings not to stop on tracks.
Councillor Ronnie Ables was concerned for the many turns the Fire Department trucks must take off of Mill Street to avoid traffic at the four-way stop. City Manager reminded him that same route was used before Station 3 and noted that public safety is more important than maneuvering a long line of stopped cars.

City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councillor Johnny Williams that the intersection is too close to the railroad tracks for a stop light.

A motion to approve Resolution 15-010 was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Proclamation for National Stop on Red Week.

Mayor Adams stated that it is vital for people to stop at red lights and signs because not doing so is the leading cause of fatalities among children.

DISCUSSION:

City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councillor Wiltshire that the City does not have cameras at stop lights but motion sensors.

CONSIDER

Financially Partnering with Greenwood County to Complete Engineering Design and Construction Drawings for the Proposed Veterans Plaza.

City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Council that Greenwood County Council has agreed to pay for half of the design engineering to include pedestrian sidewalks. The City’s cost will be $19,000 for its half of the design and construction drawings and $26,000 for the Eagle statue. The Veterans group has already raised $31,145 in private donations for pavers and will complete the Veterans Plaza in phases.

A motion to approve financially partnering with Greenwood County to complete engineering design and construction drawings for the proposed Veterans Plaza was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Ronnie Ables.

The motion passed unanimously.
ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Lind Edwards, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

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D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk and Treasurer