GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL  
March 17, 2014 - 5:32 p.m.  
MINUTES

PRESENT  Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Kenn Wiltshire, Johnny Williams, and Ronnie Ables. City Manager Charles Barrineau, Assistant to City Manager Julia Wilkie, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, and City Attorney Tripp Padgett; Brian King of GwdToday.com and Chris Trainor of the Index Journal.

ABSENT  Betty Boles

CALL TO ORDER  The meeting in Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor Adams at 5:32 p.m. and he welcomed everyone to the meeting.

City Manager Charles Barrineau gave the invocation.

QUORUM AND STATEMENT  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 Clerk Steffanie Dorn confirmed a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA  Mayor Adams asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 14-003 Adding Section 28-111 of the City of Greenwood Code of Ordinances - Trespass Warnings on Public Property and Other Property Generally Open to the Public.

(2nd reading)

Under Public Hearings, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed proposed Ordinance No. 14-003 which adds Section 28-111 to the City of Greenwood Code of Ordinances regarding trespass warnings on public property and other property open to the public.

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

Councilor Kenn Wiltshire wondered if the recent motion from a State Legislature subcommittee regarding a proposed trespassing law that was posted on the MASC website would affect this ordinance.

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 14-003 was made by Ronnie Ables, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 14-004 Amending the City of Greenwood’s Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Two Adjacent Parcels of Land (One Located at 1220 Spring Street and the Other Being Unaddressed) totaling 0.71 Acres from OP (Office Professional) to PDD (Planned Development District).

(2nd reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau recognized City/County Planning Director Phil Lindler who discussed Self Regional Healthcare’s request to rezone the two vacant lots across the street from the hospital. He confirmed to Councilor Wiltshire that the Planning Department hasn’t received any plans for the property at this time.

Self Regional Healthcare Director of Facility Services, Kathy Demmitt, spoke in favor of the request. She noted that there aren’t any plans for the property at this time but the sale is contingent upon the proposed rezoning.

No one spoke against the proposed rezoning.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve rezoning 1220 Spring Street and the other unaddressed parcel located across the street from Self Regional Healthcare was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 14-002 Amending the City of Greenwood’s Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning One Parcel of Land Totaling 0.71 Acres Located at 325 Magnolia Avenue from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) to R7 (High Density Residential)

(2nd reading)

Under Unfinished Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed proposed Ordinance No. 14-002 to rezone 325 Magnolia Avenue from Neighborhood Commercial to High Density Residential.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to accept Ordinance No. 14-002 was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Niki Hutto.

Those who voted in favor were Mayor Adams, Niki Hutto, Johnny Williams and Ronnie Ables. Linda Edwards and Kenn Wiltshire voted against.

The motion passed 4-2.

CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 14-005 Annexing Property Owned by Santa Fe Mexican Grill, Inc.

(1st reading)

Under New Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau discussed annexing property owned by Santa Fe Mexican Grill, Inc. into the City limits. He noted that the tract of land it is located on is contiguous to Merrywood School.

Mayor Adams stated that it would be wonderful to have Santa Fe in the City.

A motion to annex Santa Fe Mexican Grill, Inc. property into the City of Greenwood was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.

City Manager Barrineau noted that second reading of the ordinance will be at a special called meeting on Monday, April 7, to expedite the annexation at the owner’s request.

Councilor Wiltshire noted how busy Fin & Filet appears to be on Sundays.
CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 14-006 Amending Ordinance Number 13-028, the City of Greenwood Budgets for 2014.

(1st reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau discussed changes made to the 2014 budget ordinance to include:

First line item, a FEMA Grant leftover of $5,462, as both incoming revenue and outgoing expenditure. FEMA has approved to allocate the funds towards the purchase of laptops to give the City accountability systems software that can track the location of firefighters in a burning building.

Second line item, $325,000, is from the Hospitality Tax fund for the first phase of the Uptown Market project. The Edgefield Parking Lot will also be used for business overflow parking.

Third line item, $222,980, is for the design cost of the overall Uptown Market Project that includes the market structure, parking, restrooms, drainage, and all utilities for a total of $2.8 million to include the Edgefield Parking lot construction.

Fourth line item, $25,000, is for the LPGA Symetra Tour that was mistakenly omitted from the original ordinance. The City Manager asked Council to approve it at this time to support the event with garbage services, portable restrooms, and security.

The last line item, $49,841, was left over from the Hospitality Tax fund for the 2013 Oak/Main Streetscape project. The City Manager requested Council to carry the funds over into the 2014 budget for small items such as landscaping and security cameras.

Councilor Niki Hutto inquired if any additional grass and trees will be added to the landscape of Oak and Main Streets. City Manager Barrineau stated that everything has been placed and the irrigation system is working. He hopes the security camera system will be installed at the Uptown Fountain parking lot and in front of Howards by next week. The cameras can also be used as a live feed at festivals.

A motion to amend the 2014 budget was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 14-007


(1st reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau reminded Council of their approval to allow the temporary sale and consumption of beer and wine at Click646 and Oktoberfest events and asked their approval for the same guidelines at the Springfest in May. Instead of adopting an ordinance for every event, this ordinance would set up parameters for the City Manager to approve the sale and consumption of beer and wine at events under the same guidelines. He noted that added language to the provisions include “public” events where alcohol can be sold and consumed at the same site no more than 2 days in a row.

Councilor Wiltshire inquired of any requests to close Oregon Avenue for private functions. City Manager Barrineau noted that several wedding parties inquired about accessibility but it has never been closed. He noted that the same requirements will be in place as before for insurance, arm bands, and security in contained areas.

A motion to temporarily suspend certain municipal code provisions along a designated section of Oregon Avenue for the purposes of conducting a public event was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL:

Councilor Linda Edwards inquired if this ordinance will allow the City Manager to approve the sale of beer and wine at future events on Oregon Avenue with this same Ordinance. City Manager Barrineau stated that additional restrictions will give the City Manager flexibility to permit the sale and consumption at public events such as SpringFest, UptownLive concerts, or Festival of Flowers functions on Oregon Avenue.

Those who voted in favor were Mayor Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, and Kenn Wiltshire. Johnny Williams and Ronnie Ables voted against.

The motion passed 4-2.
CONSIDER

Resolution No. 14-001
Approving Financing Terms.

City Clerk Steffanie Dorn informed Council of BB&T as the lowest bid to provide financing for lease purchases. She recommended to accept a six year lease with the annual payment of $160,000 and asked Council to approve the Resolution.

A motion to accept Resolution 14-001 approving financing terms was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

A Written Agreement with the Town of Hodges to Formalize building Inspection Services.

City Manager Charles Barrineau discussed the Town of Hodges request to formalize an agreement with the City to provide building inspection services. Since the 1990’s the City and County consolidated building inspection services countywide to include other municipalities of Hodges, Troy, Ninety Six, and Ware Shoals. The Town of Hodges would like to formalize that arrangement in case anyone would challenge the agreement with the City providing staff for building inspection services. Any litigation from these inspections will be done by the Town of Hodges.

Councilor Hutto inquired if the City has been providing building inspection services to the Town of Hodges. City Manager Barrineau noted that building inspection services are countywide. Fees are remitted to the County who then reimburses the City 75%.

A motion to provide a written agreement with the Town of Hodges for building inspection services was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Ronnie Ables.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER

To Authorize City Manager to Sign Application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding to Support Upgrades to CPW Water Infrastructure.

City Manager Charles Barrineau discussed a list of streets recommended by the CPW for water infrastructure upgrades.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to authorize the City Manager to sign CDBG application funding to support CPW water infrastructure upgrades was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Six Month Brownfield Loan Agreement Extension.

City Manager Barrineau requested a six month extension with DHEC to use the remaining $40,000 brownfields funds to fill in the area holding water at the Kitson Mill site.

Councilor Ronnie Ables inquired if any of the funds will be used for the South Main Street area. City Manager Barrineau reminded him that the brownfield loan money is used only for the Kitson Mill site. The EPA Assessment Grant covered a number of sites including the one on Foundry Road. The City has received the final results from the Foundry Road site analysis and will schedule facilitation with the neighborhood in a couple of months to see how the property can be used potentially for a park.

A motion to consider a six month brownfield loan agreement extension was made by Ronnie Ables, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER
City Manager’s Recommended 2014 Paving List to the County Transportation Committee (CTC).

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed an updated list of streets within the City to be paved, or repaired, to include extensive deep patching for Virginia, Alabama, Faulkner, Georgia, Kentucky, and Kentucky Court in the Blyth Heights neighborhood. Parkway will be moved into the 2015 funding request. He is requesting $248,500 from the CTC.

The City Manager confirmed to Councilor Wiltshire that Enterprise and Vintage Courts still haven’t been repaved due to inclement weather.

A motion to approve the recommended 2014 paving list to the CTC was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER
Appointment of Marchelle Tompkins-Bryant to a Vacancy of the City’s Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee.

City Manager Charles Barrineau recommended the appointment of Marchelle Tompkins-Bryant, who works at the Percival-Tompkins Funeral Home, to replace Sara Morse who resigned last year.

A motion to appoint Marchelle Tompkins-Bryant to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER
Executive Session to Discuss Legal Matters.

City Manager Charles Barrineau requested that Council meet in an Executive Session to discuss a couple of legal matters.

A motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.
CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

There were no comments at this time.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no comments at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

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D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk and Treasurer