

GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

July 2, 2012 - 5:37 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT Council Members: Mayor Pro Tempore Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Kenn Wiltshire, Johnny Williams, and Ronnie Ables; and City Manager Charles Barrineau; Chris Trainor of the Index Journal.

ABSENT Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Niki Hutto.

CALL TO ORDER The meeting in Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor Pro Tempore Linda Edwards at 5:37 p.m. and she gave the invocation.

STATEMENT AND QUORUM Mayor Pro Tempore Edwards 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."

The City Manager Charles Barrineau stated that there was a quorum present.

CONSIDER
 Ordinance No. 12-015 Calling for a Referendum and Ballot Question to Authorize the South Carolina Department of Revenue to Issue Alcoholic Liquors by the Drink to Bonafide Nonprofit Organizations and Business Establishments for Consumption-on-Premises Sales.

City Manager Charles Barrineau asked for City Council's consideration of a request from a number of restaurants within the City Limits regarding their ability to sell alcohol on Sunday. Because a referendum at the next general election is the only way for alcohol to be sold on Sunday, the City of Greenwood must present a signed petition with 10% of qualified electors or pass two readings of an ordinance to place the item on the ballot.

The City Manager advised Council if they approve first reading, the 2nd reading and public hearing will be considered at the next City Council meeting on Monday, July 16. If the ordinance passes second reading, staff will be able to present the question item to the Elections Commission before the August 15 deadline.

City Manager Barrineau noted that if the referendum passes, licensed establishments can obtain an annual permit or a permit for individual Sundays from the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

A motion to approve a referendum and ballot question to authorize the South Carolina Department of Revenue to issue licensed nonprofit organizations and business establishments for the sale of alcohol on Sunday was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

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Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

 Linda M. Edwards, Mayor Pro Tempore

ATTEST:

 City Clerk and Treasurer