GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL
August 6, 2012 – 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting in Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor D. Welborn Adams at 5:30 p.m. and he welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Councilor Linda Edwards 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.”

The City Clerk Steffanie Dorn stated that there was a quorum present.

CONSIDER

Acceptance of Bid and Awarding of Contract, Pending South Carolina Department of Commerce Approval, for Debris Removal Services at Abandoned Kitson Avenue Mill Property.

City Manager Charles Barrineau reminded Council of the City’s rebid of the Kitson Mill debris removal project to the original seven firms that submitted a bid on Friday, June 8 (HEPACO, NEO Corporation, EHG, Empire Dismantlement Corp., Herbert Anderson Construction, Clear Site Industrial and NCM Group). The new bid documents submitted by four of the seven original bidders were opened on Tuesday, July 24. The lowest qualified bidder is NEO Corporation who included the removal of disposal coal, stained concrete, industrial debris, and asbestos containing materials found in remaining building materials of the office and warehouse buildings that remained standing.
The NEO Corporation also gave a $30,000 price estimate to remove smokestack. The City Manager noted the smokestack’s sentimental historic value but expressed the economic feasibility to remove them at this point in the project. Although there was no structural analysis completed on the smokestack, experts commented that it would not meet current seismic standards unless the top portion were removed and filled with concrete then rebuilt with brick. Council must also consider that future development could not take place within the fall zone radius of the smokestack as long as it remains.

City Manager Barrineau recommended Council authorize a contract with NEO Corporation, pending SC Department of Commerce approval, at the estimated total of $425,300 and have further discussions with the community and a structural engineer to make an informed decision regarding the smokestack.

A motion to accept the bid and award debris removal services contract was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Acceptance of Bid and Awarding of Contract, Pending South Carolina Department of Commerce Approval, for Air Monitoring During Asbestos Abatement Services at Abandoned Kitson Avenue Mill Property.

City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Council that ESC Carolina submitted the lowest bid and have agreed to reduce their price to $350 per day if asbestos and dust sampling were to be performed simultaneously. The estimated price for air monitoring will be $42,525 (which does not include the days allotted for the smokestack to be removed) based on the number of days NEO Corp will take to complete the project.

A motion to accept the bid and award air monitoring during asbestos abatement services was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 12-017 A Telecommunications Franchise and Consent Ordinance with South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings LLC (SCTG Holdings LLC), d/b/a Spirit Communications.

(1st reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau stated that Council has received a request from South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings LLC d/b/a Spirit Communications to issue a non-exclusive telecommunications franchise and consent ordinance to allow the company to deploy a network of underground and/or aerial fiber within public right-of-ways of the City. This ordinance ensures that the work is done in accordance with all applicable standards, codes, and ordinances.

A motion to approve a telecommunications franchise and consent ordinance was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Linda Edwards, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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City Clerk and Treasurer

D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk and Treasurer