GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

June 5, 2017 - 5:29 p.m.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT
Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Matthew Miller, and Ronnie Ables; City Manager Charles Barrineau, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, City/County Planning Director Phil Lindler, and City Attorney Tripp Padgett; Adam Benson from The Index Journal.

ABSENT
Councilor Kenn Wiltshire; Assistant City Manager Julia Wilkie.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor D. Welborn Adams called the special called meeting in Council Chambers to order at 5:29 p.m.

City Manager Barrineau gave the invocation.

STATEMENT AND QUORUM
Mayor D. Welborn 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 there was a quorum present.

City Manager Barrineau asked Council to amend the agenda to add first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 17-017 that will allow the possession and consumption of beer and wine in designated areas of Uptown during the SC Festival of Discovery.

DISCUSSION:
City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councilor Ronnie Ables that a permanent amendment to the ordinance was made for events on Oregon Avenue and Uptown Market, but not for the Festival of Discovery.
A motion to add proposed Ordinance 17-017 to the agenda was made by Linda Edwards, seconded by Niki Hutto.

Those who voted in favor were Mayor Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles and Matthew Miller. Ronnie Ables voted against.

The motion passed 5-1.

CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 17-015 Amending the City of Greenwood’s Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning an Approximately 0.18 Acre Portion of an Existing Parcel of Land Located at 520 Marion Avenue from R10 (Multi-Family Residential) to NS (Neighborhood Services).

(2nd reading)

Under unfinished business, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the request to subdivide 520 Marion Avenue and rezone the portion with an existing beauty shop to Neighborhood Services.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 17-015 was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Matthew Miller.

The motion passed unanimously.
Under New Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Council of the $147,598 SC Rural Infrastructure Grant for drainage improvements, including a drainage line at Jefferson, that will run through houses along Cornelia Circle in the Wells Subdivision. The total cost of the project budget is $238,781, and the City is required to provide the $91,183 match he recommended to come from the Sunday alcohol sales tax collection that can be used for the construction and maintenance of drainage systems. He also noted that, if approved, there will be a future amendment to the budget.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to accept the SC Rural Infrastructure Grant for drainage improvements in the Wells Subdivision was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Council of the SCDHEC Mosquito Control Sub-Recipient grant to prevent the spread of the Zika virus. The grant was partnered with the County, and funds will be used to improve technology with a spray system that tracks the service date and a GPS database for the truck. Staff can use a backpack sprayer for areas in the County where the Zika virus may be found, but the truck is only used within the City Limits. A joint campaign to inform the public has started with magnet distribution.

DISCUSSION:

City Manager Barrineau informed Councilor Niki Hutto that informational flyers/magnets will be distributed at events, festivals, City Hall, and other gatherings.

He also informed Councilor Betty Boles that the $22,875 grant will be used for related items to include a new backpack sprayer and a GPS for the truck. The City truck only sprays on a call basis, but the most effective deterrent is getting rid of standing water and using mosquito dunks that kills larvae.

There was no further discussion from Council.
A motion to accept the SCDHEC Mosquito Control Sub-Recipient Grant was made by Ronnie Ables, seconded by Linda Edwards.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Ordinance 17-017 of the City Council of the City of Greenwood
Imposing a Temporary Suspension of Certain Municipal Code Provision on the Main Street Uptown Square During the Three-Day South Carolina Festival of Discovery.

(1st reading)

COUNCILOR HUTTO

“"I think it’ll be a lot simpler just to do it that way and not have to go back every year. It makes no sense to me.”

COUNCILOR BOLES

“I agree.”

COUNCILOR HUTTO

“So, do I make the motion to amend the ordinance to every second weekend in July...”

COUNCILOR ABLES

“It would be for every Festival of Discoveries.”

CITY MANAGER BARRINEAU

“Right.”

COUNCILOR HUTTO

“...specifically for the Festival of Discovery?”

City Manager Charles Barrineau introduced the amended agenda item and stated, “It is written just for this year. However, if Council wants to make a motion to amend it, we could include it to where it’s every second weekend in July so that we wouldn’t have to do this next year.”

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 17-017 and amend it
to annually allow the sale and consumption of beer and wine during the Festival of Discovery that is held the second weekend in July, as permitted by the City Manager was made by Niki Hutto.

COUNCILOR BOLES  “You said, by law, we had to every year.”

CITY MANAGER BARRINEAU  “No, no. The way it’s written—currently, what we’ve done at this point, has been from year to year. Now, on the other areas, Oregon and the Market, we have those permanently done where the City Manager—you’ve given the City Manager authorization to issue it under a permit process. This would be the same. The City Manager, if you approve it with every second weekend in July, could issue this-—issue that permit every second weekend in July.”

COUNCILOR BOLES  “Without coming back before Council?”

CITY MANAGER BARRINEAU  “Correct.”

COUNCILOR BOLES  “Okay.”

MAYOR ADAMS  “Alright. There is a motion on the table. Do we have a second?”

The motion was seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITY MANAGER BARRINEAU  “Yeah, to be clear, I guess…”

COUNCILOR HUTTO  “First of the motion is to amend. Now we have to do a motion…”

CITY MANAGER BARRINEAU  “I guess you don’t need to. What I was wanting you to do is to say—to pass first (reading), or to make a motion with that change.”

COUNCILOR HUTTO  “Yes, I’m making the motion.”

MAYOR ADAMS  “I want to call the vote again to be clear. The vote is, and correct me if I’m wrong…”

COUNCILOR HUTTO  “Correct.”

MAYOR ADAMS  “You made a motion to approve Ordinance 17-017, as amended, to be annual…”
“...annual for the Festival of Discovery, the second weekend in July.”

“And who seconded it?”

“I did.”

“Alright. All in favor of the motion?”

“It’s the same thing, though. You’re basically saying the same thing.”

“They’re adding it to it.”

“The difference is they want to be sure that it is every year. That’s what we’re changing.”

“No, we’re doing every two years because the other—the ones he talking about—we’ve already said we don’t want to come back every year to approve. We just wanted to add this one to the list of the previous one, right?”

“It would be under the same...”

“And the reason we’re back here now is because we didn’t...”

“Correct.”

“...when we did everything else. So, what we’re doing is simply adding it to amending the ordinance to add it along with the rest of them when they come back every two years, instead of coming back every year. Right, Charlie?”

“It’s not every two years.”

“Unless we changed it.”

“Unless we changed it.”

“(unintelligible) unless we change it.”

“Okay, well see, when that question was asked, it wasn’t made clear that we’re not coming back next year and revisit this.”

“Uh, uh.”
COUNCILOR BOLES  “Uh, uh. (unintelligible) say every year.”

COUNCILOR EDWARDS  “That’s why I say, and I’ve said this one time before, we need to stipulate what we’re voting on. And to do that, when you’re calling for a vote, you need to state what we’re voting on because, when we first previously state, it’s like we’re coming back next year and revisit this. But we’re not, unless there are changes. So, when we’re make the motion, we need to be clear as to what we’re changing and what we’re adding on to, you know. Because the way it looks like now, we’ll be coming back next year because we’re not saying, ‘just add it in there indefinitely unless otherwise something else changes,’ and we have to revisit. But right now, we don’t need to, well, once we add it, we won’t need to revisit this anymore. But we’re not saying that.”

MAYOR ADAMS  “That’s just what she said. That’s what Ms. Hutto said.”

COUNCILOR EDWARDS  “No, she didn’t say that.”

MAYOR ADAMS  “Yep. That’s what I took from it.”

COUNCILOR EDWARDS  “It’s one thing to take it; we know what it is. But when somebody else reads this, this is not what she’s saying.”

COUNCILOR HUTTO  “This does not say that. This says that we revisit it every year. We’re changing this (proposed Ordinance No. 17-017). We’re approving it and we’re changing it so that we don’t have to bring it back every year.”

COUNCILOR EDWARDS  “But we didn’t say that.”

COUNCILOR HUTTO  “Yeah, I did, but that’s okay.”

COUNCILOR EDWARDS  “Well, let’s do it. If we’re gonna do-do it right so that we’re not gonna do this every year.”

COUNCILOR HUTTO  “That’s correct. We’re not.”

COUNCILOR EDWARDS  “If I’m wrong, correct me, but I see we say, ‘So moved,’ but what are we moving on?”

COUNCILOR BOLES  “No, she stated it (intelligible).”

COUNCILOR  “I know. I said, ‘when you second it’, you just said
EDWARDS: ‘so moved’. What are you so moving to? You see what I’m saying? We’re adding this. That’s when I asked the question. We’re adding it to the list of the others that we’ve already done, that we don’t revisit every year. Right?”

CITY MANAGER BARRINEAU: “Correct.”

COUNCILOR EDWARDS: “Okay. That’s what we’re doing, and that’s what we’re used to saying.”

COUNCILOR BOLES: “I second it. When she said it, I seconded it.”

MAYOR ADAMS: “Well, we already voted on it. So (unintelligible)”

COUNCILOR EDWARDS: “So, I’m just saying, you know, let’s get it right.”

NIKI HUTTO: “Okay.”

CONSIDER

Executive Session to Discuss:

* A Contractual Matter for Financing Terms.
* A Personnel Matter Regarding a Request to Change Policy.
* A Contractual Matter Regarding Uptown Parking.

City Manager Barrineau asked Council to enter into an executive session to discuss a contractual matter for financing terms, a personnel policy change, and a contractual matter regarding Uptown parking. He doesn’t expect any action from Council afterwards.

A motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting recessed into Executive Session at 5:46 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:04 p.m.

There was no action taken at this time.
A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Adams adjourned the Special Called Meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Mayor D. Welborn Adams

ATTEST:

City Clerk and Treasurer