

GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

May 21, 2018 - 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Linda Edwards, Kenn Wiltshire, Matthew Miller, and Ronnie Ables; City Manager Charles Barrineau, Assistant City Manager Julia Wilkie, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, and City Attorney Tripp Padgett; Adam Benson from The Index Journal.

Councilor Niki Hutto entered the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

ABSENT Councilor Betty Boles.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor D. Welborn Adams called the meeting in Council Chambers to order at 5:30 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 Clerk Steffanie Dorn confirmed a quorum was present.

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

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Ronnie Ables, seconded by Matthew Miller.

The motion passed unanimously.

RECOGNIZE

Mr. John Witt and Toya Davis from the Mathews Community Group.

Under Public Appearances, City Manager Barrineau recognized Mr. John Witt, representative of the Mathews Community Group, who distributed notes from two ride-along tours of his neighborhood, dated April 25, 2015, and February 3, 2018. He informed Council that some of the listed violations are still current because no action has been taken in three years and asked them to respond favorably to help the Mathews Community before these violations are reported to the media.

DISCUSSION:

Mayor Adams thanked Mr. Witt for presenting the Mathews Community Group concerns to Council.

Mr. Witt confirmed to Councilor Linda Edwards that code violations have not been addressed since the last ride-along. She agreed that there are violations in her ward that haven't been addressed also.

CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 18-007 Amending Ordinance 03-010, Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 6, Article 1.11. Parking and Loading, Adding Section 1.11. Alternative Transportation Standards.

(2nd reading)

Under Unfinished Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to include alternative transportation and bicycle infrastructure standards in an effort to have an interconnective City. He noted that nothing has changed since first reading.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance 18-007 amending Chapter 6, Article 1.11 of the Zoning Ordinance was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER
 Ordinance No. 18-008 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning an Approximately 0.16 Parcel of Land Located at 106 Reynolds Avenue from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) to R4 (Medium Density Residential).

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the rezoning request for a residential dwelling at 106 Reynolds Avenue.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 18-008 rezoning 106 Reynolds Avenue from Neighborhood Commercial to Medium Density Residential was made by Ronnie Ables, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

(2nd reading)

CONSIDER
 Ordinance No. 18-010, Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning an approximately 1.37 Acre Parcel of Land Located at 1510 Spring Street from GC (General Commercial) to LIW (Light Industrial Warehouse).

City Manager Barrineau reviewed the request from Self Regional Healthcare to rezone the former Cornerstone property to Light Industrial Warehouse for the relocation of their laundry facility.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 18-010 rezoning 1510 Spring Street from General Commercial to Light Industrial Warehouse was made by Ronnie Ables, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire

The motion passed unanimously.

(2nd reading)

CONSIDER

Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Real Estate Application, Including the \$500 Application Fee, to Norfolk Southern for the City's Effort to Obtain a Portion of Tax ID No.# 9855-508-090 that Fronts Main Street at Foundry Road.

Under New Business, City Manager Barrineau discussed his interest in the western side of the Foundry Road tract of property, fronting South Main Street, that's owned by Norfolk Southern Railroad. He noted that he will seek to reimburse the \$500 application fee with Capital Project Sales Tax funds.

DISCUSSION:

City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councilor Kenn Wiltshire that the City must go through the application process to gain access to the property.

There was no further discussion from Council.

A motion to authorize the City Manager to submit a real estate application, including a \$500 application fee, was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

RECOGNIZE

LaSean Tutt, Founder/CEO of Dreams with Open Arms, Inc.

City Manager Charles Barrineau recognized LaSean Tutt, Founder/CEO of Dreams with Open Arms, Inc., who informed Council of statistics involving the reduction of teen pregnancies and distributed a newspaper article of a local barber who is a free condom provider in Greenwood.

Mayor Adams presented her with a proclamation declaring May 2018 as, "Step Up & Be Safe: Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month".

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Council of the following:

- The Wells Subdivision storm water drainage project is still moving forward. He hoped recent rains haven't affected the timeline for completion.
- The Splash Pad will be opened this weekend in conjunction with Public Safety Day at the Uptown Market. He noted that the water feature will be higher this year.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

City Manager Barrineau admitted to Councilor Edwards that he hasn't read the proposed Abbeville ordinance that Mr. Witt was referring to, but it is similar to the City's Rental Property Ordinance that was enforced 12 years ago.

He noted that Abbeville's Council didn't have enough votes to pass it.

Councilor Wiltshire inquired about the following:

Residential Construction Building Inspector: City Manager Barrineau stated that he wanted City Council to be aware that County Council will address that issue tomorrow.

Homestead Taxes Amendment: City Clerk Steffanie Dorn noted that filing an amended PT100 by Carolina Pride reduced taxes paid to the City.

Fines and Fees Reduction: City Manager Barrineau informed him that, when the overall crime rate is down, it causes the reduction of fines and noted that forfeitures is not a good revenue source. City Clerk Dorn noted that of all fines collected, the City only receives a portion of the money and the rest goes to the State.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Matthew Miller, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting at 5:54 p.m.

D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk and Treasurer