

GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

June 16, 2008 - 5:34 p.m.

**MINUTES**

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PRESENT Council Members: Mayor Nicholson, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Herbert Vaughn, Johnny Williams and Barbara Turnburke; City Manager; Assistant City Manager; City Attorney; Phil Lindler; Chris Trainor of the Index Journal and Margie Blalock of Greenwood Today.

Betty Boles entered into the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

ABSENT City Clerk

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CALL TO ORDER The meeting in Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor Nicholson at 5:34 p.m. and he welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Mayor also gave the invocation.

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STATEMENT AND QUORUM Mayor Nicholson 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 Mayor then asked the Assistant City Manager, Charles Barrineau, if a quorum was present. He said, "Yes, Mr. Mayor, we have a quorum."

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

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Herbert Vaughn.

The Mayor asked, "Is there any discussion or corrections? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

Motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 08-018 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Properties Located at 312 Lawson Street, 608 Brice Street, 215 West Sproles Avenue, 115 Sanders Street, 411 & 320 Stanley Avenue and 403, 417, 450, and 511 Wilson Street from OPI (Office Professional Institutional) to IP (Institutional Professional); 503 Wilson Street, 408 Daniel Court & 309, 411, 415, 417, 419, 425, 447, 449, 451, and 453 Stanley Avenue from OPI to R7 (High Density Residential); and 137 Lander Street from OPI to R4 (Residential Medium Density).

Under Public Hearings, Mayor Nicholson read the item and said, "The format that we employ in the public hearings is that we ask individuals come to the podium, state your name and address for the record and try to limit your comments to no more than three or four minutes."

The Mayor then read the first item and recognized City/County Planning Director Phil Lindler.

(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

PHIL LINDLER "Thank you, Mr. Mayor and Members of Council. This is a request at Lander University to modify the zoning in that area from OPI to a number of different zoning districts, most of them being IP, some R7 and one R4. The Planning Commission looked at the individual properties and made a recommendation to you.

Lander also owns some property located here (pointing) that was not originally included in the request. In 2004, those properties were not zoned as Office Professional and Institutional and Lander brought that to our attention. The Planning Commission would recommend inclusion of those properties into the request so that all of Lander's properties, as they currently own them, would be rezoned to IP.

There are some residential properties located on Daniel Court and Wilson Street that the Planning Commission is recommending to be rezoned to R7 as well as properties along Stanley Avenue. Basically, if you turn left from Crews Street onto Stanley Avenue, it's all residential and duplex housing. There is also property located here (pointing) and the Planning Commission recommends R4 on that residential property as well. I'll be happy to answer any questions."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Okay. Are there any questions? Thank you, Phil. Is there anyone else to speak in favor of this zoning change?"

DIANE NEWTON "Thank you. I'm Diane Newton from Lander. I just want to make it clear and I think you'll see that. There has been some confusion in the public that Lander has initiated this whole zoning change which of course we haven't. It was just changing from OPI to IP and we were just trying to make sure that all our properties were the same just for the ease of taking care of things."

STEVEN BROWN "The property you just mentioned that was recently purchased, is it included in the request?"

DIANE NEWTON "No, we have not actually closed on that property yet."

STEVEN BROWN "Can you show the Council this piece of property?"

DIANE NEWTON "Yes, I can tell you where it is. Many of you may know it's the little green house that sits in the middle of the parking lot of Lander. We're actually in the process of buying that piece of property but haven't closed yet."

STEVEN BROWN "Where is it?"

DIANE NEWTON "It is off of Daniel Court."

STEVEN BROWN "Is it included in the request?"

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Yes, it is included. Is there anyone else to speak in favor or opposed to the zoning change? Alright. Seeing and hearing none, I will close the public hearing.

Now, I will take action from Council. Do I have a motion?"

Motion was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Herbert Vaughn.

"Are there any questions or further discussion?"

NIKI HUTTO "The property that's zoned R4, is it a house?"

PHIL LINDLER "Yes. It is a residence."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Is there any other discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the second item and recognized Phil Lindler.

Ordinance No.  
08-019 Amending  
the City of  
Greenwood's  
Official Zoning  
Map (Ordinance  
No. 04-020) by  
Rezoning  
Properties  
(2.45 Acres)  
Located at 306  
Grove Street  
and an  
Unaddressed  
Adjacent  
Property on Lee  
Street from OPI  
(Office  
Professional  
Institutional)  
to IP  
(Institutional  
Professional)

(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

PHIL LINDLER

"Mr. Mayor, this property is the Hampton House Apartments that's located on Grove Street. It also has some frontage on Hampton Street. The property is zoned OPI and the request is to rezone the area to IP."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS

"Why not OP?"

PHIL LINDLER

"IP allows for assisted living. The apartments aren't exactly assisted living, but it is senior housing. So, if they wanted to do additional modifications to the structures to accommodate assisted living or to market it as an assisted living use, the zoning classification would accommodate that."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS

"That property is where?"

PHIL LINDLER

"It's on the corner of Grove Street right behind Coleman Hall."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS

"Is that Hampton Place?"

PHIL LINDLER

"Yes."

STEVEN BROWN "There is a vacant piece of property located behind the old Coleman Hall owned by Lander that is included in this rezoning. It was donated to them and they're including it in this rezoning."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Okay. Thank you, Phil. Is there anyone to speak in favor of this zoning change? Is there anyone opposing? Alright. Seeing and hearing none, I will close the public hearing.

Now, I will have action from Council. Do I have a motion?"

BETTY BOLES "At one time, someone wanted to take some property and change it into a development. Is it part of that property?"

NIKI HUTTO "That's the Core Commercial."

BETTY BOLES "It's not adjoined to that?"

DIANE NEWTON "That whole piece is owned by Lander currently but is in the process of being sold."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "Who's buying it? Who owns the other property?"

STEVEN BROWN "Hampton Place Apartments owns that property."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "Steve, is the Hampton Place that is requested to be rezoned IP own the other two pieces of property?"

STEVEN BROWN "The Hampton Place only owns the property they presently own."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Are there any other questions? Do I have a motion?"

Motion was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Barbara Turnburke.

"Is there any further discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. Opposed? 6-1, so moved."

Those who voted in favor were Mayor Nicholson, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Herbert Vaughn and Barbara Turnburke. Johnny Williams voted against.

The motion passed.

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the third item and recognized Phil Lindler.

Ordinance No. 08-020 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Properties (2.7 Acres) Located at 109 & 111 Merriman Avenue from OPI (Office Professional Institutional) to OP (Office Professional); 213, 219, 221, 223, 225, 227 & 231 Hampton Avenue and 231 Merriman Avenue from OPI to NC (Neighborhood Commercial).

(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

PHIL LINDLER

"Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is moving further east along Hampton Avenue from the area that we were just located. The request that is before you tonight is to rezone all these properties located basically along Hampton Street from OPI to Neighborhood Commercial and Office Professional on these two properties on the backside of Merriman Avenue as they adjoin the street."

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"I think that's the appraisal office on the corner?"

PHIL LINDLER

"I cannot remember what's there."

NIKI HUTTO

"The appraisal office is in Village Square."

PHIL LINDLER

"Janice Whitman and John and Elaine Ashley own those two

properties."

NIKI HUTTO "And those are the ones that are going to be OP?"

PHIL LINDLER "Correct."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "The trailer park is going to be OP right?"

PHIL LINDLER "Yes, sir."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Okay. Thank you, Phil. Is there anyone here to speak in favor of the zoning change? Is there anyone opposing? Alright. Seeing and hearing none, I will close the public hearing.

Now, do I have a motion from Council?"

Motion was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the fourth item and recognized Phil Lindler.

Ordinance No.  
08-021 Amending  
the City of  
Greenwood's  
Official Zoning  
Map (Ordinance  
No. 04-020) by  
Rezoning  
Properties  
(0.77 Acres)  
Located at 218  
& 220 Mill  
Avenue and a  
Portion of the  
Abandoned  
Railroad Right-  
of-Way from OPI  
(Office  
Professional  
Institutional)  
to OP (Office  
Professional)

(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

PHIL LINDLER

"Thank you once again, Mr. Mayor. This request is for two properties and a portion of a third located on Mill Avenue. This is Greenwood Fabricating and Plating along Mill Avenue (pointing). There is a related company to that in the other building and then there is a portion of the railroad right-of-way that's located here (pointing). These properties have historically been Office Professional and Institutional and the request tonight is to rezone all three to Office Professional. Thank you."

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"Okay. Is there anyone here to speak in favor of the zoning change? Is there anyone opposing? Seeing and hearing none, I will close the public hearing.

Now, do I have a motion from Council?"

Motion was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Betty Boles.

"Are there any questions or any further discussion? All

in favor raise your right hand. So moved."  
The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the fifth item and recognized Phil Lindler.

Ordinance No.  
08-022 Amending  
the City of  
Greenwood's  
Official Zoning  
Map (Ordinance  
No. 04-020) by  
Rezoning  
Properties  
(3.06 Acres)  
Located at 117  
& 133 West  
Cambridge  
Avenue, 126  
East Cambridge  
Avenue, 121 &  
123 Bailey  
Circle, and  
201, 205, & 211  
North Main  
Street from OPI  
(Office  
Professional  
Institutional)  
to R7  
(Residential -  
High Density).

(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

PHIL LINDLER

"Staying in the same vicinity of the City, this is property across Hampton Street that includes Main Street Methodist Church, First Presbyterian Church, Masonic Temple #91 on Bailey Circle and two residences located on West Cambridge Avenue. The properties are currently Office Professional and Institutional and Greenwood Village Historic Overlay District which would not change whatever zoning classification you move these properties to. The overlay will stay on top of the existing zoning that you'll be changing.

The Planning Commission would recommend R7 on all of these properties as R7 does allow for churches which is the predominate use. For the two individual homes, this would also be a conforming use onto the R7 zoning district."

NIKI HUTTO "But why R7? Why not R2 or R3 because there's not an apartment building in the mix?"

PHIL LINDLER "Well, R7 does allow for apartments but it also allows for single family attached units. There is R7 across the street and they wanted to keep that consistent. The adjoining property on this section is R4, Office Professional is across the street at Town & Country and Neighborhood Commercial is at the intersection."

NIKI HUTTO "I'm just wondering why you went to R7 instead of going to R4 when it's across the street? I mean residential is residential and churches can be in any residential district, can they not?"

PHIL LINDLER "Correct."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "The only reason they want R7 is because it's on that side?"

NIKI HUTTO "Yeah. There's R4 across the street so which street do you jump? I'd rather see it as R4, quite frankly."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "They're the big houses between the bank and churches, right?"

PHIL LINDLER "That's correct."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "They're all single family houses, correct?"

PHIL LINDLER "Yes."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "Why don't we make it R4 and send it back to the Planning Board?"

PHIL LINDLER "No, that would be for you to change here."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "What about the people that reside there?"

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "I guarantee the ones I know that live there want Single Family."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Did they have a say?"

PHIL LINDLER "We did talk with them about the change and they did not have any problem with it."

NIKI HUTTO "I'd rather see it R4."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Are we in a rush? Can we just table this?"

BETTY BOLES "I don't see why not."

NIKI HUTTO "We don't really have to table it. Unless those two property owners for some reason wanted to tear down their houses and build duplexes, I don't understand why they would not want R4 instead of R7."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Since they were not contacted, I'd like to just table it and contact them to see what their feelings are. Phil, you said they were not contacted, right?"

PHIL LINDLER "They were. We did call them."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "And their feelings were?"

PHIL LINDLER "They were okay with R7 because they wanted to maintain the Single Family use."

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "Well, why not zone to R4 and they'll have guaranteed Single Family? Why don't we go ahead and zone it R4? We'll have another reading and, if they have problems, we'll talk about it next week."

LINDA EDWARDS "I don't agree with that."

STEVEN BROWN "Does the same person own both houses?"

PHIL LINDLER "Yes."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Welborn Adams owns the houses. I know he lives in one and owns the other."

STEVEN BROWN "Whatever action you take, we'll be glad to contact him and get him to respond in writing or otherwise."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Why don't we table this? We're not in a rush. Let's contact him before we take first reading. There's not a rush to change anything is it?"

JOHNNY WILLIAMS "Well, those two historic houses don't really matter because they're not going anywhere."

STEVEN WELCH "For the record, that big one was a Sears home that came on a railroad car."

BETTY BOLES "But it is also a part of the Historic Overlay so it won't be torn down."

NIKI HUTTO "Yeah. Knowing what I know that went on and what they're trying to do with R4 being across the street, I may be wrong. We can just table it."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Can we table it and let Mr. Brown get in touch with Mr. Adams? We'll discuss it at the work session in July and put it back on the agenda."

Motion to table was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Johnny Williams.

"All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the sixth item and recognized Phil Lindler.

Ordinance No.  
08-023 Amending  
the City of  
Greenwood's  
Official Zoning  
Map (Ordinance  
No. 04-020) by  
Rezoning  
Properties  
(28.69 Acres)  
Located at 1206  
Central Avenue,  
927 East  
Cambridge  
Avenue, and  
229, 237 & 301  
North Hospital  
Street from OPI  
(Office  
Professional  
Institutional)  
to IP  
(Institutional  
Professional)  
and 1203, 1207,  
1211, & 1213  
Central Avenue  
from OPI to OP  
(Office  
Professional)

( 1<sup>st</sup> reading)

PHIL LINDLER

"This is a request for the old Brewer School location on North Hospital Street and East Cambridge Avenue. It also includes some residential and office properties located on the opposite side of Central Avenue. The Planning Commission will recommend modification of the existing zoning to Institutional Professional on the large pieces of property of the old Brewer School complex and then everything on the northern side of Central Avenue as Office Professional."

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"Now, is that excluding those houses on the corner of Cambridge?"

PHIL LINDLER "That's correct. These properties are currently R7, Medium Density Residential."

BETTY BOLES "What about the corner lot on Cambridge and Tarrant?"

PHIL LINDLER "These are two residences that are currently OPI and the Planning Commission recommended those to be Office Professional. I believe there are a total of four structures. One of them being an office and the other three being Single Family Residential."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "They didn't want to leave those residential?"

BETTY BOLES "That's what I was wondering."

PHIL LINDLER "The Planning Commission didn't look at making them Residential."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "I think there are four houses. Two families are residing in them and the other two are semi vacant."

BETTY BOLES "I don't see why they would disconnect those four and leave the others."

PHIL LINDLER "Because it was historically OPI. Before that, it was OP-1."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Oh, they were?"

BETTY BOLES "Maybe we ought to make them Residential."

STEVEN BROWN "Mr. Mayor, I asked the same question about those two houses. I'd like for City Council to consider allowing them to be changed to Residential. We all understand why Mr. Hill's property is (inaudible). I assume, Phil, that this doesn't go back to the laundry mat does it?"

MAYOR NICHOLSON "No."

STEVEN BROWN "So, if Mr. Hill's property is left OP and the others are residential, it would prevent those properties being turned any further (inaudible)."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Would you like to table this and then get in touch with someone to see about changing it?"

STEVEN BROWN "I don't know who you'll get in contact with. I know one person over there. I think the recommendation would be to rezone Mr. Hill's property to OP and the rest of it to R7."

BETTY BOLES "I'd like those four."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Okay. Do I have a motion to that effect?"

Motion to approve the ordinance with the recommendation that the four lots on the corner of Central and Tarrant go to R7 was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Linda Edwards.

"Is there any further discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the seventh item and recognized Phil Lindler.

Ordinance No.  
08-024 Amending  
the City of  
Greenwood's  
Official Zoning  
Map (Ordinance  
No. 04-020) by  
Rezoning  
Properties  
(11.31 Acre  
Parcel) Located  
at 111, 113,  
119, & 123 High  
Street and 356  
& 402 West  
Cambridge  
Avenue from OPI  
(Office  
Professional  
Institutional)  
to GC (General  
Commercial) and  
317, 320, 324,  
325, 328, 331,  
332, 333, 336,  
337, 339, 340,  
342, 343, 347,  
348, 351, 352 &  
355 West  
Cambridge  
Avenue from OPI  
to OP (Office  
Professional)

(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

PHIL LINDLER

"Thank you, Mr. Mayor. This property is located on West Cambridge Avenue just beside the Cambridge Apartments. We looked at the properties on Calhoun Avenue that adjoined this property last month as first reading and this is the second portion of it. The properties located on High Street are individual home sites, an architecture office and a barbershop on the corner of Charles and High Street. There is an office located on Charles Street, a combination of offices, and single family homes on this southern side of West Cambridge Avenue.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on this and we got some input from the property owners in that area. They're recommending a slight modification in what was originally planned. These are the properties you looked at as opposing to go to General Commercial on Calhoun Avenue. On West Cambridge Avenue, the Planning Commission will recommend General Commercial to complete everything on this block and along Charles Street. The remaining properties along the northern and southern side of West Cambridge Avenue are recommended as Office Professional. Thank you."

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"I think a lot of those homes are serving as offices, right?"

PHIL LINDLER

"Yes, sir. We've had some residential that are offices and some offices are going back to residential, so it's a mixture."

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"Is there anyone else to speak in favor of the zoning change? Is there anyone opposing? We will close the public hearing.

Now, do I have a motion?"

Motion was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Niki Hutto.

"Is there any further discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Under Unfinished Business, Mayor Nicholson read the first item and asked for a motion.

Ordinance No. 08-013 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Properties Located at 1104, 1108, 1112, 1120, 1204, 1206 and 1208 Grace Street from OPI (Office Professional Institutional) to OP (Office Professional).

Motion was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Betty Boles.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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(2<sup>nd</sup> reading)

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CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 08-014 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Properties Located 437, 442, 446, 503, 514 and 543 East Cambridge Avenue from OPI - GV (Office Professional Institutional - Old Greenwood Village Overlay) to IP-GV (Institutional Professional - Old Greenwood Village Overlay).

(2<sup>nd</sup> reading)

Mayor Nicholson read the second item and asked for a motion.

Motion was made by Linda Edwards, seconded by Betty Boles.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. All opposed? 4-3 so moved."

Those who voted in favor were Mayor Nicholson, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, and Herbert Vaughn. Those voting against were Niki Hutto, Johnny Williams and Barbara Turnburke.

The motion passed.

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the third item and asked for a motion.

Ordinance No. 08-015 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Property (17.79 Acres) Located at 109 Northside Drive from OPI (Office Professional Institutional) to R1 (Single Family Residential).

Motion was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Linda Edwards.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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(2<sup>nd</sup> reading)

CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the fourth item and asked for a motion.

Ordinance No. 08-016 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Property (0.99 Acre Parcel) Located at 709 Center Street from OPI (Office Professional Institutional) to OP (Office Professional

Motion was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Linda Edwards.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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(2<sup>nd</sup> reading)

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the fifth item and asked for a motion.

Ordinance No. 08-017 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Properties (16.7 Acres) Located at 504 Highland Park Drive, 107 & 109 High Street, 116 & 120 Charles Street, 314, 316, & 318 West Cambridge Avenue, and 304, 310, 314, 329, 333, 336, 339, 342, 401, 402, 405, 408, 419, 420, 421, 425, 432, 433, 438, 441, 447, 448, 451, 454, & 463 Calhoun Avenue from OPI (Office Professional Institutional) to GC (General Commercial).

Motion was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

"Is there any discussion?"

(2<sup>nd</sup> reading)

LINDA EDWARDS

"So that's the whole block from what we just went through?"

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"That's the other side. This is the second reading on the first one."

LINDA EDWARDS

"That's what I was asking. Does that include both sides of the street?"

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Yes, but we must have second reading on this side. Okay. All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER Under New Business, Mayor Nicholson read the first item and recognized the City Manager.

Ordinance No.  
08-025 Annexing  
Property Owned  
by Margaret H.  
Corley Life  
Estate Located  
at 481 By-Pass  
72 Northwest.

(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

STEVEN BROWN "Mr. Mayor and City Council, this annexation request is a result of a previous agreement that you negotiated with the property owner. It specified that when there were improvements made to the properties and a certificate of occupancy issued then those properties would be annexed. Due to the construction that has occurred on that corner and a CO being issued, we've asked the property owner to sign an annexation petition. While we think the agreements cover the annexation, we'll have that document in hand. We would ask you to take first reading on the annexation of this property. I think most people are familiar with the new buildings at the corner."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Okay. Thank you, Mr. Brown. Do I have a motion?"

Motion was made by Barbara Turnburke, seconded by Niki Hutto.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER Mayor Nicholson read the second item and recognized the Assistant City Manager.

Resolution No.  
08-005  
Authorizing  
Execution of an  
Agreement to  
Participate in  
the Upper  
Savannah Home  
Investment  
Partnerships  
Consortium.

CHARLES BARRINEAU "Mr. Mayor and Members of Council, this is an agreement requesting that you allow the City Manager to enter into a mutual agreement with the Upper Savannah Council of Governments. They're looking to utilize home funds through the HUD Federal Government. Home Funds are typically used in larger cities. If they maximize all of the community funds in the Upper Savannah District, they can now apply for these home funds under this mutual agreement. If the award is made, in addition to the City of Greenwood, other nonprofits such as Habitat for Humanity or a private developer could apply to utilize these funds as long as they provide the 25% cash match or any kind of volunteer labor. We see no reason for us not to participate in this. It's just another opportunity for us to have access to some funds for low income or affordable housing projects."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Do I have a motion?"

Motion was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Betty Boles.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER Mayor Nicholson read the third item and recognized the Assistant City Manager.

Resolution No.  
08-006 to  
Approve an  
Application to  
the US  
Department of  
Agriculture  
Office of Rural  
Development for  
a \$200,000  
Rural Business  
Enterprise  
Grant.

CHARLES BARRINEAU "Mr. Mayor, a number of months ago, either at the end of last year or the first of this year, you already approved this. When we submitted the application to Rural Development, they asked for an official resolution. This resolution authorizes staff to present an application for \$200,000. If you recall, this was the application in which you allocated \$100,000 of our local community funds to match this grant."

MAYOR NICHOLSON "Alright. Do I have a motion?"

Motion was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Linda Edwards.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER Mayor Nicholson read the fourth item and recognized the City Manager.

Request from  
the Humane  
Society.

STEVEN BROWN

"Mr. Mayor and City Council, I have been contacted by the Chairman of the Board of the Humane Society. As City Council realizes, the City does not provide budgetary funds for the Humane Society, however they do take in animals that are picked up by our Humane Officer to the Society. They have an agreement with the County that they maintain and operate the compound behind the Civic Center. The shelter has a need for an attic fan to be installed in the area where they house the animals. The cost is between \$850 to \$1,000 and they're looking for some assistance. I haven't been out there lately but they tell me that in this type of weather the smell and ventilation is a problem. They sought other sources of funding for the ceiling fan but couldn't find it. They are asking if you would be willing to fund the installation of an attic fan.

While I'm not suggesting that we get into any kind of budgetary funding, I think this is an opportunity for the City to show its appreciation for what the Humane Society has done. It's a very small expense and I would ask you to approve a minimum of \$850 to a maximum of \$1,000 for this."

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"Okay. Do I have a motion?"

Motion was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Barbara Turnburke.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Mayor Nicholson read the fourth item and recognized the City Manager.

City of  
Greenwood  
Uniform Grant  
Application.

STEVEN BROWN

"Mr. Mayor and City Council, I have provided you with copies of my recommendation. As I have said earlier in other meetings, I feel the City needs to formalize its funding of certain agencies and this provides the mechanism. I'm sure there are lots of agencies that will not be able to provide the information that is requested. Some of them are may not have three years of audits and things of that nature. Some of the agencies that we fund would not have that information but, when we start funding hospitality monies or accommodations tax funds, we need to have an agreement with these agencies that they will abide by the wishes of City Council. This kind of formalizes that agreement.

I will ask you to adopt this. I promise that we will use this agreement with a lot of compassion and common sense. We will not use it to beat people over the head but to assist City Council in assuring that your monies are being spent in an appropriate manner."

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"Okay. This is what we have discussed at the work session as something that we needed to do. I think you have received a copy in your package. Do I have a motion?"

Motion was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Betty Boles.

"Is there any discussion? All in favor raise your right hand. So moved."

The motion passed unanimously.

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CITY COUNCIL  
COMMENTS

There were no comments from City Council at this time.

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CITY MANAGER  
COMMENTS

Mayor Nicholson recognized the City Manager.

STEVEN BROWN

"I did get a request from Southside Cab."

MAYOR NICHOLSON

"He was here earlier and I told him that we've just received the information."

- STEVEN BROWN "It came in late Friday afternoon so we told him that we'd provide you all with a copy and (inaudible)."
- MAYOR NICHOLSON "Okay."
- BETTY BOLES "I'd just like to thank Mr. Brown for coming to the Booker Street Neighborhood Association Meeting last week and supplying us with information that we needed for the tenants and residents that live in that community. They were very well pleased and felt very confident and special with the information that was given. I wanted to thank you for bringing staff from the Fire, Police and Building Departments. It made them feel the City really cared about the community and truly wanted to improve their way of living. I just want to thank and commend you for bringing them out for that particular meeting."
- STEVEN BROWN "Thank you, Ms. Boles. We often do that with any group that wants to meet with us. We now have a Neighborhood Liaison officer at the Police Department. For some time, we have tried to provide a liaison between the Police Department and neighborhoods. Now that our employment numbers are up and are close to capacity, the Police Chief, other management team members, and I have decided we needed one person for neighborhoods to have as their initial contact. It's also the same person who'll be handling such events that are traffic related. Tomorrow there are over 100 people attending the Federal Reserve lunch at the Federal Building."
- MAYOR NICHOLSON "I think they changed the breakfast to be at Lander."
- STEVEN BROWN "No, sir, this is the lunch. More and more, when we have events like this, we have a need to deal with parking issues and things of that nature. TJ Chadoin is the Police Officer that will handle those matters. I'll be glad to provide Council with phone numbers where you can contact him."
- MAYOR NICHOLSON "Okay. Is there anything else? Don't forget the work session on Monday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of July. Am I correct?"
- STEVEN BROWN "Yes, sir."
- MAYOR NICHOLSON "Okay. Thank you all. The meeting is adjourned."

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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Floyd Nicholson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk and Treasurer