

GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL  
(Via GoToMeeting)  
April 20, 2020 - 5:30 p.m.

**MINUTES**

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PRESENT Council Members: Mayor Brandon A. Smith, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Johnathan Bass, Matthew Miller, and Ronnie Ables; City Manager Julia Wilkie, Assistant to the City Manager Ryan Thomas, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, City IT Director Danny Byrd, City Attorney Tripp Padgett, and City/County Planning Director Phil Lindler. James Hicks from the Index-Journal.

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CALL TO ORDER Mayor Brandon Smith called the teleconference meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and gave the invocation.

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STATEMENT AND QUORUM Mayor Smith 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.

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA Mayor Smith asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Niki Hutto.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER  
 Ordinance No. 20-004 Amending the City of Greenwood's Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Approximately 0.3 Acres of Land Located at 328 Grace Street from NC-GV (Neighborhood Commercial/Greenwood Village Overlay) to R4-GV (Medium Density Residential/Greenwood Village Overlay).

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

Under the only Unfinished Business, City Manager Julia Wilkie reviewed the owner's request to rezone his property from Neighborhood Commercial to Medium Density Residential in the Greenwood Village Overlay.

Mayor Smith recused himself from the meeting due to a conflict of interest on this agenda item and Mayor Pro Tempore Matthew Miller presided.

City Manager Wilkie informed Councilor Betty Boles that City/County Planning Director Phil Lindler believed that the owner intends to build a house on that lot but was not exactly sure.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 20-004 was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Niki Hutto.

There was no further discussion from Council.

Those who voted in favor were: Mayor Pro Tempore Miller, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Johnathan Bass, and Ronnie Ables. Mayor Smith recused himself and did not vote.

The motion passed 6-0.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Wilkie advised Council that it would be easier to keep them updated with COVID-19 information through emails and memos.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Boles inquired about reopening retail stores, possible social distancing confrontations with police and COVID-19 testing. City Manager Wilkie confirmed there were incidences where Police Officers had to break up some gatherings that were dispersed easily. Police also proactively provided social distancing guidelines from the Governor's Office to many City businesses. She will meet with Greenwood County Emergency Management Coordinator George McKinney regarding directives on reopening businesses and how it will affect Greenwood County.

City Manager Wilkie noted she was not aware of any local medical facilities that will test anyone for the virus, unless they are symptomatic, but will research if any are conducting "testing for all" and report back to Councilor Boles.

There were no further comments from Council.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Betty Boles.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

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Mayor Brandon A. Smith

ATTEST:

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City Clerk and Treasurer