

GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

October 6, 2014 - 5:33 p.m.

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

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PRESENT Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Kenn Wiltshire, Johnny Williams, and Ronnie Ables; City Manager Charles Barrineau and Assistant City Manager Julia Wilkie; Brian King of Gwdtoday.com and Frank Bumb of the Index Journal.

ABSENT City Clerk Steffanie Dorn  
Niki Hutto entered the meeting at 5:38 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER The meeting in Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor Adams at 5:33 p.m.  
Councilor Linda Edwards gave the invocation.

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QUORUM AND STATEMENT 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 Manager Charles Barrineau stated that there was a quorum present.

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RECOGNIZE City Manager Charles Barrineau recognized Ms. Rita Gilbert who was absent. Lions David and Claudia Doherty, members of the Mathews Lions Club, thanked Mayor Adams for presenting the Sight and Hearing Conservation Week and World Sight Day proclamation.  
Rita Gilbert from The Mathews Lions Club - Sight and Hearing Conservation Week and World Sight Day.

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RECOGNIZE

C. K. Kirkland  
from Self  
Medical Group -  
Mental Health  
Awareness Day.

City Manager Charles Barrineau recognized C.K. Kirkland, a member of Self Medical Group and the South Carolina Health Association, and J. P Callison, representative of Pres+On Foundation. They discussed mental health awareness activities throughout South Carolina during the month of October.

Mayor Adams presented the Mental Health Awareness Day Proclamation to Mr. Kirkland.

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RECEIVE

Update from  
City Manager on  
the Uptown  
Market Project.

City Manager Charles Barrineau reminded Council that bids for the parking lot and stormdrainage had already been received. The splashpad is a sole source item because of a limited number of contractors. A contract, separate from the hardscape and market building, has already been negotiated at \$188,184.

He then informed Council that a request for bids on the Uptown Market hardscape (bricks, trees, etc.) and building, to include the open-aired structure and restrooms, was advertised 30 days ago. All the bids that were submitted last Thursday were too high (the lowest being \$2.8 million and the highest \$3.3 million) and they did not include the subsurface issue to remove some of the soil. Because the project will be \$800,000 over budget at an estimate of \$3 million, City Manager Barrineau recommended Council to reject those bids and scale back from the original design. A rebid of the project will be rescheduled for January 2015 to allow 60 days of redesign work. Because of this, the completion time will be pushed back from Summer of 2015 to Fall.

He then showed Council a presentation of proposed deletions and alternatives.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councilor Betty Boles that the uniqueness of design materials is driving the cost of this project.

Councilor Kenn Wiltshire commented that automatic bathrooms will be better for children using the splashpad. He also disapproves of lowering the market's roof. City Manager Barrineau noted that, although he will not allow the size of the bathroom for 400 people be reduced, a lot of wiring needed for automation can be removed.

He also noted that lowering the roof will be the easiest significant reduction.

Mayor Adams and Councilor Niki Hutto don't see any difference in lowering it two to three feet.

Councilor Edwards sought confirmation on the railroad design. City Manager Barrineau stated that they're trying to keep the architectural aesthetics of a railroad depot.

Councilor Ronnie Ables wanted the structure to be a centerpiece that's unique to Greenwood.

CONSIDER  
  
Executive Session to Discuss a Legal and Personnel Matter.

City Manager Charles Barrineau asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

A motion to enter into the Executive Session was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting recessed into the Executive Session at 6:05 p.m.

The meeting reconvened into the Business Meeting at 6:36 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the Business Meeting was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting and entered into the work session at 6:36 p.m.

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D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk and Treasurer