

City of West Columbia, SC

Special Council Meeting

November 14, 2011 at 6 p.m.

Members Present:

Joe Owens, Mayor
Eric L. Fowler
L. Dale Harley
Boyd Jones
Tommy Parler
B.J. Unthank

Members Absent:

Marsha Moore
Cathy Shannon

Others Present:

Jenny Cunningham, City Administrator
Myron Corley, Deputy City Administrator
Mardi Valentino, City Clerk
Brian Carter, Director of Planning and Zoning
Sid Varn, Director of Planning and Engineering
Donna Smith, Director of Economic Development
Members of the Public and Press

Wyatt Coleman, Fire Chief
Charles Garren, Director of Public Works
Rick Hodge, City Treasurer
Ken Ebener, Municipal Judge
Stuart Jones, Building Official
Nikki Setzler, City Attorney

Agenda Item I – Call to Order

Council Member Fowler called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and noted a quorum was present. *The State, Free Times, Lexington County Chronicle, Cayce-West Columbia News, and The Columbia Star* were notified of the meeting by e-mail on November 8, 2011.

Agenda Item II – Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Reverend Lonnie Shull, Pastor Emeritus of First Baptist Church of West Columbia, gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item III – Administer Oaths of Office to Elected Officials

Senator Nikki Setzler administered the Oath of Office to newly elected mayor Joseph W. “Joe” Owens. Mayor Owens took his place on the dais. Senator Nikki Setzler administered the Oath of Office to re-elected council members Eric Fowler and BJ Unthank who retook their places on the dais.

Agenda Item IV – Announcements by Mayor

Mayor Owens thanked everyone for their support in helping him to attain the office of mayor. He especially thanked his wife, Debbie, whom he said visited over 1,100 homes during his campaign.

Mayor Owens announced that after the meeting a reception would be held in the New Brookland Room.

Agenda Item V – Adjourn

Mayor Owens entertained a motion to adjourn. Council Member Harley so moved and Council Member Unthank seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marta M. Valentino, CMC
City Clerk