

City of West Columbia, SC

Regular Council Meeting

March 1, 2011 at 6 p.m.

Members Present:

Bobby E. Horton, Mayor
Jack L. Harmon, Mayor Pro-Tem
Eric L. Fowler
L. Dale Harley
Boyd Jones
Marsha Moore
Tommy Parler
Cathy Shannon

Members Absent:

B.J. Unthank

Others Present:

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

Rick Hodge, City Treasurer
Charles Garren, Public Works Director
Stuart Jones, Building Official
Dennis Tyndall, Police Chief
Sid Varn, Planning & Engineering Director
Wyatt Coleman, Fire Chief

Agenda Item I – Call to Order

Mayor Horton 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 February 25, 2011.

Agenda Item II – Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Moore gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item III – Requests for Appearance

Mayor Horton stated there were no requests for appearance before the City Council.

Agenda Item IV – Announcements by the Mayor

Mayor Horton announced that the following meetings would be held in the month of March; Beautification Foundation on March 2 at 8 a.m., Mayor's Roundtable Meeting at 5:30 p.m. and the Council Work Session at 6 p.m. on March 21, and the Planning Commission on March 28 at 6 p.m.

Mayor Horton announced that the West Columbia Beautification Foundation will host a fundraiser at the Lexington Medical Center Auditorium on Thursday, March 31, 2011 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in honor of Rhett Bickley, former Lexington County Landscape Administrator, who retired in 2010.

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Agenda Item V – Minutes

- A. Mayor Horton entertained a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on February 1, 2011. Council Member Moore so moved and Council Member Fowler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Mayor Horton entertained a motion to approve the minutes for the Special Council Meeting held on February 22, 2011. Council Member Fowler so moved and Mayor Pro-Tem Harmon seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Mayor Horton entertained a motion to approve the minutes for the Council Work Session held on February 22, 2011. Council Member Moore so moved and Council Member Fowler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item VI – Old Business

- A. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for second reading consideration of an ordinance to annex .28 acres of property located at 1720 Crapps Avenue (TMS # 004636-04-023). Council Member Fowler so moved and Council Member Parler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for second reading consideration of the Planning Commission's recommendation to establish a zoning classification for approximately 34 acres of recently annexed property consisting of the Hulon Green Subdivision as R-2 (medium density residential) for parcels containing single-family residences and related common areas (all parcels identified on Tax Map Page 003640 Blocks 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, and 10 with the exception of parcels 003640-03-001 and 004 that are not part of the Subdivision) and as R-1 (high density residential) for parcels containing multi-family condominiums and related common areas (all parcels identified on Tax Map Page 003640 Blocks 5, 6, and 11). Mayor Pro-Tem Harmon so moved and Council Member Fowler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for second reading consideration of the Planning Commission's recommendation to establish a zoning classification for approximately 2 acres of recently annexed property located at 2430 Morningside Drive (TMS# 004599-10-010) as LM (light manufacturing). Mayor Pro-Tem Harmon so moved and Council Member Fowler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- D. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for second reading consideration of the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a map amendment to change the zoning classification of approximately 1.27 acres of land located at 1817 Platt Springs Road (TMS# 005746-04-019) from C-2 (general commercial) to C-3 (restricted commercial). Council Member Parler so moved and Mayor Pro-Tem Harmon seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item VII – New Business

- A. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for consideration of a resolution to recognize Earl H. Sease, Sr. upon the occasion of his 100th birthday. Council Member Fowler so moved and Council Member Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Agenda Item VII – New Business (continued)

- B. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for first reading consideration of an ordinance to amend Title 9, Chapter 3, Sections 4, 5, and 6, of the West Columbia Code of Ordinances, relating to the determination, prohibition, and removal of abandoned motor vehicles. Council Member Shannon so moved and Council Member Fowler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for first reading consideration of an ordinance to revise Title 6, Chapter 1 of the West Columbia Code of Ordinances, in order to establish a section relating to the determination, parking and storage, removal, and redemption of derelict motor vehicles and to establish punishment for violations. Council Member Harley so moved and Council Member Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- D. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for consideration of a resolution authorizing the mayor to establish clear authority for the city administrator, city engineer, or other designated local official to enter into a project agreement with the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT). Council Member Shannon so moved and Council Member Parler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- E. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for consideration of a resolution to authorize the consumption of beer and wine at the Riverwalk Music Festival and the Rhythm on the River Concert Series at the Riverwalk Amphitheater. Council Member Moore so moved and Mayor Pro-Tem Harmon seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- F. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for consideration of a proclamation to designate April 2011 as Autism Awareness Month. Council Member Moore so moved and Council Member Shannon seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- G. Mayor Horton entertained a motion for consideration to appoint the following persons to the Building Board of Appeals: William Wes Lyles, IV, R. Neal Dawkins, Joseph Jur, Ron Weathers, and Joel Guider as Members and Kenneth Tynes and Joel Dutton as Alternate Members. Council Member Harley so moved and Council Member Fowler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- H. Mayor Horton entertained a motion to appoint Marcia Comstock to the West Columbia Election Commission for a term ending May 2016. Council Member Moore so moved and Council Member Harley seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Horton noted that Ms. Comstock replaces Marion Galloway as a member of the West Columbia Election Commission.

Agenda Item VIII – Adjourn

Mayor Horton entertained a motion to adjourn. Council Member Parler so moved and Mayor Pro-Tem Harmon seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marta M. Valentino, CMC
City Clerk