

MINUTES
Special Called Meeting
April 23, 2024, 5:30PM
South Congaree Town Hall
Council Chambers
119 West Berry Rd.
West Columbia, SC, 29172

Members in Attendance: Mayor Cindy Campbell, Mayor Pro-Tem Kitty Spires, Councilmembers: Brian Jackson (Absent), Debbie McIver, and Dwayne Prosser.

Also in Attendance: Municipal Clerk Kerri Charlton, Sheriff Jay Koon, Treasurer Jim Eckstrom,

Captain Kevin Howard, Judge Kenneth Ebner, Clerk of Court Pine Ridge Brittany Burns.

The public was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

I. Call to Order.

Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at **5:30 PM**. A quorum was present.

Mayor Campbell led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Mayor Pro-Tem Spires led the Invocation. Mayor Campbell read the Freedom of Information Act Town compliance.

<u>Prior to the start of Agenda action items</u>, Councilwoman McIver made a motion to add to the agenda to the appointment of new Planning Commission members to replace herself and Mike Gordon. Seconded by Councilman Prosser.

Motion carried by unanimous show of hands vote at 5:34 PM

The appointment of Planning Commission Officers will be placed on the agenda following the Swearing in Ceremony.

II. Oath of Office & Swearing-In Ceremony Interim Police Chief Mike Gordon 5:35 PM

Administered by Sheriff Bryan "Jay" Koon, Lexington County Sheriff's Department, Bible held by Lexington County Treasurer Jim Eckstrom.

III. Planning Commission Officer Appointments

<u>Councilwoman McIver</u> made a motion to appoint Debi Pelosi and Joshua McCormick to the Planning Commission, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Spires, Discussion-They have been contacted and accept. Roll call vote.

Motion carried at 5:41 PM

- Mayor Campbell- Abstain
- Mayor Pro-Tem Spires- Yea
- Councilman Jackson- Absent
- Councilwoman McIver- Yea
- Councilman Prosser-Yea

IV. Executive Session Entered at 5:34 PM:

A. S.C. Code 30-4-70 (A) (1) Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body. (Police Department, Municipal Attorney, Town Commissions and Boards, ARPA)

- **B.** Section 30-4-70 (A)(2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of Legal Advice where the Legal Advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim.

 (SAFEBuilt Contract, GMK Services, GFC Contract, Legal Update)
- C. Section 30-4-70 (A)(3) Discussion regarding the development of security personnel or devices. (Police Department)
- **D.** Section 30-4-70 (A)(4) Investigative proceedings or allegations of criminal misconduct. (Internal Audit)
- **E.** Section 30-4-70 (A)(5) Discussion of matters concerning the proposed location, expansion or provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the public body. (Town Facilities and Proposed Financing options)
 - Mayor Campbell made the motion to enter into Executive Session at **5:34 PM**, Motion seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Spires, Motion carries by unanimous vote.
 - Mayor Campbell made the motion to <u>Municipal Clerk Kerri Charlton</u>, <u>Interim Police Chief Gordon</u>,
 <u>Judge Kenneth Ebner and Pine Ridge Clerk of Court</u>, <u>Brittany Burns</u> into Executive Session at 5:34
 PM, Motion seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Spires, Motion carries by unanimous vote.

Mayor Campbell made the motion to exit Executive Session at 7:39 PM, and reconvene to public forum, Motion seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Spires, Motion carries by unanimous vote. No Votes were taken during Executive Session.

- V. Citizen Comments: No Citizen Comments
- VI. Adjournment of Council Meeting:

The council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Spires, voted to adjourn the meeting at **7:41 PM**. Motion carried with unanimous vote of council.

Attested by:

Kerri Charlton, Municipal Clerk

Approved by:

Cindy Campbell, Mayor

Date Approved

Civility Pledge

I pledge to build a stronger and more prosperous community by advocating for civil engagement, respecting others, and their viewpoints, and finding solutions for the betterment of my city or town.

For the complete Live Stream Video, please see the following Facebook Links:

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The public was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the upcoming meeting.

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