



# GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes

## Regular Meeting

March 20, 2018

6:00 p.m.

County Square – Council Chambers

### Council Members

Mr. Butch Kirven, Chairman  
Mr. Willis Meadows, Vice Chairman  
Mrs. Xanthene Norris, Chairman Pro Tem  
Mr. Joe Dill  
Mr. Mike Barnes  
Mr. Sid Cates  
Mr. Rick Roberts  
Mr. Bob Taylor  
Mrs. Liz Seman  
Mr. Ennis Fant, Sr.  
Mr. Lynn Ballard  
Mr. Fred Payne

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Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting date, time, place and agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the County Square and made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned Citizens.

### COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Joe Dill, District 17

### STAFF PRESENT

Joe Kernell, County Administrator  
Mark Tollison, County Attorney  
Dean Campbell, Deputy County Attorney  
Jeff Wile, Assistant County Attorney  
John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator  
Regina McCaskill, Clerk to Council  
Jessica Stone, Deputy Clerk to Council  
Paula Gucker, Assistant County Administrator, Public Works  
Hesha Gamble, County Engineer  
Sarah Holt, Subdivision Administrator  
Bob Mihalic, Governmental Relations Officer

### OTHERS PRESENT

None

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Butch Kirven

INVOCATION – introduced by Councilor Barnes

Eric Wooten, Pastor  
Northwood Baptist Church, Greer

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Item (4) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ACTION:** Vice-Chairman Meadows moved to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2018, Regular Council Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

Item (5) **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**(a) Land Development Regulations Amendments**

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding an ordinance to approve amendments to the Greenville County Land Development Regulations for the County of Greenville, South Carolina, as last amended by Ordinance #4960, in accordance with the provisions of the South Carolina Planning Enabling Act of 1994, S.C. Code ann. Title 6, Chapter 29.

- **Michael Dey**, 136 Creekwood Road, Chapin - appeared in favor of the proposed
- **Alvin Cannaday**, 134 Shannon Lake Circle, Greenville – appeared in favor of the proposed
- **James McCutcheon**, 1 Rubaiyat Court, Greer – appeared in favor of the proposed

There being no other speakers, Councilor Ballard declared the public hearing closed.

Item (6) **APPEARANCES – current agenda items**

- **Anthony “Tony” Gilliard**, 527 Valley Creek Drive, Greer – appeared regarding the Consent Agenda

Item (7) **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. **SC Lt. Governor’s Office on Aging, Permanent Improvement Program (PIP) Grant**
- b. **Fair Housing Initiative Program (FHIP)**
- c. **Community Project Applications / CA4I - \$5,000.00**

**ACTION:** Councilor Norris moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

Item (8) **RESOLUTIONS**

**(a) Project Ceramic / Inducement Resolution**

**ACTION:** Councilor Taylor moved for adoption a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of an inducement agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and Project Ceramic, whereby, under certain conditions, Greenville County would execute a fee in lieu of tax agreement with respect to a project in the county whereby the project would be subject to payment of certain fees in lieu of taxes, and providing for related matters.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

Item (9) **ORDINANCES – THIRD READING**

(a) **Zoning Ordinances**

1. **CZ-2018-06: Property of Raymond Mark Cox, located at 114 Dusty Lane, requesting rezoning from R-S to C-3.**

Councilor Ballard stated the Planning Commission recommended denial and the Committee recommended approval; therefore, eight votes in favor were needed in order for the ordinance to pass.

Chairman Kirven stated the property was located in his district and was previously held in order to address issues raised by residents in the area. Mr. Kirven stated traffic congestion and noise were major concerns. The applicant agreed, in writing, to four conditions: no curb cut or driveway access from Woodruff Road; the building would be oriented away from Sparrow's Point subdivision and towards Dusty Lane; a 25 ft. vegetative buffer would be maintained along the back side of the building and all the carwash equipment would be enclosed inside the building in order to minimize noise. Mr. Kirven stated, with the conditions, he was in favor of the request.

**ACTION:** Councilor Ballard moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

(b) **Animal Control Ordinance Amendment / Adequate Shelter**

**ACTION:** Councilor Seman moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance to amend Chapter 4: Animals and Fowl, Article II: Dogs, Cats, Wildlife and Exotic Animals, Section 4-19 – Cruelty to Animals, to add provisions concerning adequate shelter for animals.

Councilor Roberts acknowledged the number of people in the audience who were wearing red to signify their support for passage of the ordinance. Mr. Roberts stated an ordinance regarding the limited tethering of dogs was forthcoming.

**ACTION:** Vice-Chairman Meadows called for the question.

Without objection, the motion to call for the question carried.

Motion as presented carried unanimously by Council Members present.

Item (10) **ORDINANCES – SECOND READING**

(a) **Zoning Ordinances**

1. **CZ-2018-07: Property of David Sarkela, DSR Builders, located on Vaughn Road, requesting rezoning from R-S to R-20.**

The Planning Commission and the Committee recommended approval.

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Councilor Ballard moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

Councilor Roberts stated the property was located in his district on a very dangerous road which was used as a cut through from Highway 14 to Woodruff Road. Although staff was working on future solutions to the infrastructure problems, Mr. Roberts stated he could not support the request at this time.

Motion as presented was denied unanimously by Council Members present.

2. **CZ-2018-09: Property of Southchase Wilson Bridge, LLC, located at 218 Wilson Bridge Road, requesting rezoning from S-1 to I-1.**  
The Planning Commission and the Committee recommended approval.

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Councilor Ballard moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

3. **CZ-2018-11: Property of 4100 Pelham LLC, located at 4100 Pelham Road, requesting rezoning from S-1 to C-3.**  
The Planning Commission and the Committee recommended approval.

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Councilor Ballard moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

4. **CZ-2018-12: Property of Robert and Janet Kim, located at 2913 Old Buncombe Road, requesting rezoning from C-2 to R-7.5.**  
The Planning Commission and the Committee recommended approval.

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Councilor Ballard moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

5. **CZ-2018-14: Property of Bad Company III, LLC, located at 90 Allen Street, requesting rezoning from S-1 to C-1.**  
The Planning Commission and the Committee recommended approval.

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Councilor Ballard moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

6. **CZ-2018-15: Property of Caissa III, LLC, located on White Horse Road, requesting rezoning from R-10 to C-1.**  
The Planning Commission and the Committee recommended approval.

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Councilor Ballard moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

**(b) Land Development Regulations Amendments**

**ACTION** Councilor Ballard moved for approval at second reading an ordinance to approve amendments to the Greenville County Land Development Regulations for the County of Greenville, South Carolina, as last amended by Ordinance #4960, in accordance with the provisions of the South Carolina Planning Enabling Act of 1994, A.C. Code Ann. Title 6, Chapter 29.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

Item (11) **ORDINANCES – FIRST READING**

(a) **Zoning Ordinances**

Councilor Ballard presented for first reading zoning dockets **CZ-2018-17** through **CZ-2018-22**, and **CP-2018-01**.

Chairman Kirven referred the items to the Planning and Development Committee.

(b) **Project Ceramic / Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreement**

Councilor Taylor presented for first reading an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and a company known to the County at this time as Project Ceramic, with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property would be subject to certain payments in lieu of taxes; and other matters related thereto.

Chairman Kirven stated the item would remain on the floor.

(c) **Greenville – Anderson Multi County Industrial Business Park Agreement Amendment (2010 Park) / Project Ceramic**

Councilor Taylor presented for first reading an ordinance to amend an agreement for the development of a joint county industrial and business park (2010 Park) of Anderson and Greenville Counties so as to enlarge the park.

Chairman Kirven stated the item would remain on the floor.

Item (12) **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

(a) **Committee of the Whole**

1. **Board and Commission Appointments**

▪ **Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission**

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Vice-Chairman Meadows moved to elect the following individuals to the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission:

Jane Daniel	District 21
Karen McManaway	District 18
Audrey Pasin	District 20
Weesie Poole	District 26

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

▪ **Greenville County Redevelopment Authority (GCRA)**

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Vice-Chairman Meadows moved to elect the following individuals to the Greenville County Redevelopment Authority:

Mack Lockhart	District 25
Lawson Wetli	District 20

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

- **Planning Commission**

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Vice-Chairman Meadows moved to elect the following individuals to the Planning Commission:

Metz Looper	District 19
Jay Rogers	District 22
Milton Shockley	District 21

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

- **Greenville Area Development Corporation (GADC) – Council Member Seat**

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Vice-Chairman Meadows moved to appoint Ennis Fant, Sr. to fill the Council Member seat on the Greenville Area Development Corporation.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

- **South Carolina Technology and Aviation Center (SCTAC) – Council Member Seat**

**ACTION:** On behalf of the Committee, Vice-Chairman Meadows moved to appoint Liz Seman to fill the Council Member seat on the South Technology and Aviation Center Board.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

**Item (13) APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS**

- **Cynthia Chance**, 33 Seyle Street, Greenville – appeared regarding the Dunean Community
- **Pressley Stutts**, 129 Farm Mill Circle, Simpsonville – appeared regarding GHS
- **Efia Nwangaza**, 202 Lavinia Avenue, Greenville – appeared regarding respect for human life
- **Thomas Barilovits**, 9 Middlewick Court, Simpsonville – appeared regarding GHS

**Item (14) ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

No report

**Item (15) REQUESTS AND MOTIONS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

- Councilor Norris stated she attended a Prayer Breakfast with members of the Sterling Neighborhood Association this past Saturday. She added it was a very enjoyable event and they were looking forward to having a great turnout of students for the summer program.
- Councilor Roberts stated the meeting had gone well and he thanked everyone for their support.
- Chairman Seman stated Lockheed Martin Greenville, located at SCTAC, would host its annual Code Quest Competition on Saturday, April 21. She added that Code Quest was a computer programming competition for high school students consisting of questions created by Lockheed Martin engineers and computer programmers. Teams of students from across the State would work together to answer questions, complete the quest and hopefully advance to the national competition to be held later this year. The deadline for teams to register was March 30.

- Councilor Fant thanked the members of Vision 25 who were in attendance. He thanked his colleagues for their faith and support in re-appointing him to the GADC Board. Mr. Fant stated he was very passionate about GADC and its purpose. He stated a large number of people in Greenville County were angry about development and the majority of them lived in the Simpsonville area. Mr. Fant stated that everyone could not live in Greenville County. He added that the County needed to be more judicious about the availability of land and residential development. The County was doing much better and not “rubber stamping” every request for residential development, however, land needed to be reserved for commercial and industrial development. Greenville County could not build a future without a dedicated funding source for capital improvements. He suggested putting the necessary infrastructure in place and the County could recoup the money spent when the property sold. Spartanburg County and Anderson County were “killing” Greenville County because they had site-ready properties available.
- Councilor Payne stated he appreciated Councilor Fant’s comments and the County needed to be realistic about finding solutions. He added that 21st century problems could not be solved with 19th or 20th century solutions. One solution was automated electric connected shared vehicles; the number of needed roads and parking spaces would be decreased.
- Councilor Barnes thanked Pastor Eric Wooten for his invocation and added that he was glad the Animal Control Ordinance Amendment had been resolved.
- Councilor Cates stated he hoped the Health Authority and the Legislature could work together and resolve their issues. He added that the current ads on television regarding GHS were repulsive. Mr. Cates stated he appreciated the luncheon he attended last week at GHS. He added that he had also spoken to members of the Legislative Delegation and appreciated their points of view.
- Vice-Chairman Meadows requested an update from the Administrator regarding the consolidation of the radio systems used by the County.

Joe Kernell stated the County was in the process of putting the new system in place. Motorola was currently installing four towers and should be finished within the next 90 days. Once the towers were in place, the County would have the coverage needed to switch over to the new system. The County was also in the process of purchasing new equipment which included dispatch consoles and radios for both EMS and the Sheriff’s Office. Approximately 50% of the new radios would be purchased this fiscal year and the remainder would be purchased in the next fiscal year. A new CAD system was also being put in place for E-911 at a cost of approximately \$6.5 million. Mr. Kernell stated he was hopeful the County would be able to switch over to the new system by July or August. The maintenance contract for the old system would expire December 31, 2018 and the County would no longer be able to get new parts, however, the system would not shut down and would still be operable. Mr. Kernell stated more importantly was the inter-operability the County was trying to achieve after facing the inability to communicate during some past events. He added that the new system would stay current into the future as it was maintained on a state-wide basis.

- Councilor Ballard wished Mr. Meadows Happy Birthday.

Item (16)

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ACTION:**

Councilor Ballard moved to adjourn the meeting.

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Regina G. McCaskill, Clerk to Council