



GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes
Regular Meeting
February 7, 2023
6:01 p.m.

County Square - Council Chambers

Council Members

Mr. Dan Tripp, *Chairman, District 28*
Mrs. Liz Seman, *Vice-Chairwoman, District 24*
Mr. Butch Kirven, *Chairman Pro Tem, District 27*
Mr. Joey Russo, *District 17*
Mr. Mike Barnes, *District 18*
Mr. Benton Blount, *District 19*
Mr. Stephen Shaw, *District 20*
Mr. Chris Harrison, *District 21*
Mr. Stan Tzouvelekas, *District 22*
Mr. Alan Mitchell, *District 23*
Mr. Ennis Fant, Sr., *District 25*
Mr. Rick Bradley, *District 26*

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

Council Members Absent

None

Staff Present

Joe Kernell, County Administrator
Mark Tollison, County Attorney
John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator
Regina McCaskill, Clerk to Council
Jessica Stone, Deputy Clerk to Council
Pam Gilliam, Administrative Assistant

Terrance Galloway, Information Systems
Marcus Angel, Information Systems
Jessica Jordan, Fire Code Official/Code Enforcement Supervisor
Chris Nalley, Code Compliance
Hesha Gamble, Assistant County Administrator
Rashida Jeffers-Campbell, Planning Director

Others Present

Chief Graham, Boiling Springs Fire District

Call to Order

Vice-Chairman Dan Tripp

Invocation

Councilor Mike Barnes

Pledge of Allegiance

Item (4) **Proclamations and Special Recognition**

None

Item (5) **Approval of Minutes**

a. **January 24, 2023 – Regular County Council Meeting**

Action: Councilor Shaw moved to amend the minutes as follows:

Item 12: Administrator’s Report

Councilor Tzouvelekas requested an update on the PRISMA facility in North Greenville.

Mr. Kernell stated the letter of intent had been signed and they were currently hiring doctors and staff. They planned to have the building up and running within 100 days.

Councilor Tzouvelekas asked if the County had already funded the project.

~~*Mr. Kernell stated the County’s portion had been disbursed.*~~

Mr. Kernell stated the County had funded 50% of the project.

Motion to amend carried unanimously.

Action: Councilor Shaw moved approval of the minutes as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item (6) **Appearances – Current Agenda Items**

There were no speakers.

Item (7) **Public Hearings**

a. **Augusta Grove BTS LLC and Haier US Appliance Solutions, Inc. (formerly Project Cardboard) / Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreement**

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina, Augusta Grove BTS LLC and Haier US Appliance Solutions, Inc., with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property would be subject to certain payments in lieu of taxes, including the provision of certain special source credits; and other matters related thereto.

There being no speakers, Chairman Pro Tem Kirven declared the public hearing closed.

Item (8) **Consent Agenda**

- a.** **SCDOT Cooperative Agreement / Haywood Road**
- b.** **SCDOT Cooperative Agreement / Laurens Road**
- c.** **Waterline Application / John Suddeth Road**

Action: Vice-Chairwoman Seman moved approval of the Consent Agenda items.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item (9) Ordinances – Third Reading

a. Zoning Ordinances

- i. CZ-2022-101:** Property of Clyatt Wendell James and Chesna Rhea James, located at 1221 Fairview Road, Simpsonville, requesting rezoning from R-S to AG.

Action: Councilor Fant moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

- ii. CZ-2022-102:** Property of Brandon House of Greenville LLC, located at 18 Old Grove Road, Greenville, requesting rezoning from O-D to R-12.

Action: Councilor Fant moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

- iii. CZ-2022-106:** Property of SC Greenville Garlington, LLC and FIP Master Funding VII, LLC, located at 1225 Entertainment Boulevard, Entertainment Boulevard, Garlington Road, 315 Tanner Price Way, Tanner Price Way, 204 Clifton Court, Clifton Court and Honbarrier Drive, Greenville, requesting rezoning from PD to PD-MC.

Action: Councilor Fant moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Councilor Fant requested a roll call vote.

Motion carried by a roll call vote of twelve (Russo, Barnes, Blount, Shaw, Harrison, Tzouvelekas, Mitchell, Seman, Fant, Bradley, Kirven and Tripp) in favor and none in opposition.

- iv. CZ-2022-107:** Property of SV Homes, LLC, located on Marble Street and Blackwood Street, Greenville, requesting rezoning from NC to R-M20.

Action: Councilor Fant moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

- v. CZ-2022-108:** Property of Carl R. Eckerson and Nga Thi Nguyen, located on Highway 25 and King Road, Pelzer, requesting rezoning from RR-1 to R-20.

Action: Councilor Fant moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

- vi. CZ-2022-109:** Property of Carl R. Eckerson and Nga Thi Nguyen, located on Highway 25 and King Road, Pelzer, requesting rezoning from RR-1 to C-3.

Action: Councilor Fant moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Property Maintenance Code / Criminal Penalties

Action: Vice-Chairwoman Seman moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 5087 and to impose criminal penalties for violations of the Property Maintenance Code of the County of Greenville.

Motion carried unanimously.

c. Augusta Road BTS LLC and Haier US Appliance Solutions, Inc. (formerly Project Cardboard) / Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreement

Action: Chairman Pro Tem Kirven moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and Augusta Grove BTS LLC and Haier US Appliance Solutions, Inc., with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property would be subject to certain payments in lieu of taxes, including the provision of certain special source credits; and other matters related thereto.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item (10) Committee Reports

There were no reports.

Item (11) Administrator's Report

No report.

Item (12) Requests and Motions

- Councilor Blount requested an update on the construction of the proposed bridge over the Swamp Rabbit Trail.

Mr. Kernell stated staff was attempting to obtain a grant for the initial funding. The economic development incentive package that was put together for the project required the developer to cover the cost of the bridge; however, the timeline would be at the convenience of the developer. Mr. Kernell stated he would keep Council updated.

- Councilor Shaw recognized the students from Ms. Woods' Government Class at Blue Ridge High School who were in attendance.
- Councilor Harrison stated he recently attended an elected officials reception hosted by Greater Good Greenville along with Ms. Seman, Dr. Fant, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Blount. More than 40 elected officials were present. Mr. Harrison stated he was honored to represent County Council at the event.
- Councilor Tzouvelekas stated during the Council meeting held on January 24, he made in error in voting for the changes to Council Rules. He was in favor of all the changes, with the exception of the citizen comment rule.
- Councilor Mitchell congratulated Mr. Tripp on the recent birth of his son.

- Councilor Seman stated she, along with Mr. Tripp, attended an event earlier in the day hosted by Upstate Warrior Solution, United Housing Connection and Upstate Continuum of Care. The event was focused on providing housing for veterans and solving the veteran homeless problem. Greenville County had the potential for becoming the first county in South Carolina to have no homeless veterans.
- Councilor Fant stated economic growth in Greenville County continued to move forward rapidly. The first F-16 produced by Lockheed Martin in Greenville had a very successful inaugural test flight on January 24; everything went as planned. The tremendous accomplishment was covered by local and global media outlets. Mr. Fant stated SCTAC and Greenville were the global home of the Lockheed Martin F-16.
- Councilor Bradley stated it was a privilege to serve on Council. Staff had been extremely helpful in answering his questions.
- Councilor Kirven stated it appeared as if the evening's meeting was possibly the shortest on record.
- Councilor Russo thanked the students from Blue Ridge High School who were in attendance.

Mr. Russo stated he was grateful to serve on Council. Staff had been very supportive.
- Councilor Barnes stated he appreciated all his colleagues; he hoped they would be able to create plenty of progress in the future.

Item (13) **Adjournment**

Action: Councilor Barnes moved to adjourn the meeting.

Without objection, the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Regina G. McCaskill
Clerk to Council