



MINUTES

FORMAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday, November 9, 2020 - 5:30 p.m.

Greenville City Hall - Closed to the Public

Virtual Meeting Viewing: <https://www.greenvillesc.gov/meeting>

Remote Viewing Location:
Greenville Convention Center, 1 Exposition Drive – Room 102

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Pro Tem Lillian B. Flemming
2. **INVOCATION** Mayor Pro Tem Lillian B. Flemming
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **ROLL CALL**
The following members of City Council were in attendance: John DeWorken, Lillian Flemming, Ken Gibson, Wil Brasington, Russell Stall, and Dorothy Dowe

Absent: Mayor Knox White
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**
October 26, 2020; Approved as submitted
6. **COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**
7. **CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**
None
8. **PRESENTATION**
None
9. **PUBLIC HEARING**
None
10. **APPOINTMENTS – Boards and Commissions**
None

CONSENT AGENDA

There will be no discussion of Consent Agenda items unless a Council member so requests in which event the item in question will be considered separately.

Councilmember Dowe requested that Item 11c be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember DeWorken, to approve second and final reading of agenda items 11a, 11b, 11d, 11e, and 11f of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (Ordinances – Second and Final Reading)

- a. Ordinance to adopt Section 19-4.3.1(A)(5) and to amend Section 19-5.1, Table of Dimensional Standards, and 19-6.8.3 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Greenville to provide incentives to repurpose hotel/motel developments located in C-2 and C-3 districts into affordable residential units (Z-6-2020)
(Presented by Planning Administrator Courtney Powell)
- b. Ordinance to rezone approximately 335.379 acres of real property located at 16, 20, and 100 Tower Drive and 621 Airport Road from C-3, Regional Commercial District, to S-1, Service District (Tax Map Numbers 0259000101200; 0283000100100; 0282000202100; 0282000202502) (Z-8-2020)
(Presented by Planning Administrator Courtney Powell)
- c. Ordinance to rezone approximately 4.332 acres of real property located at 220 Roper Mountain Road Extension from RM-2, Single-family and multifamily residential district, to OD, Office and institutional district (Tax Map Number 0543010101200) (Z-9-2020)
(Presented by Planning Administrator Courtney Powell)

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember Stall, to approve second and final reading.

Councilmember Dowe questioned how this rezoning does not constitute spot zoning. Director of Planning and Development Services Jay Graham responded the acreage is larger than two acres, therefore, it is not considered spot zoning under the legal training staff receives. Councilmember Dowe raised questions regarding a site located nearby as being spot zoning. Mr. Graham responded the location appears to be less than two acres and is in the County. Mr. Graham stated spot zoning is only an issue when questioned and charges are made that an applicant is benefiting from it.

Councilmember Gibson asked if spot zoning is more restrictive than what a property could have been zoned. Mr. Graham responded staff strives to not recommend any spot zoning because of potential liabilities.

After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- d. Ordinance to abandon an existing sanitary sewer easement located on property owned by the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities located at 15 University Street (Tax Map Number 0069000300208)
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)
- e. Ordinance to appropriate \$60,000 in the Miscellaneous Grants Fund for the FY 2020 South Carolina State Homeland Security Grant Program
(Presented by Fire Chief Stephen Kovalcik)

- f. Ordinance to amend the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan to include the provision of eligible activities associated with responding to the impact of COVID-19 and the appropriation of funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through the CARES Act
(Presented by Rebecca Edwards, Community Development Financial Coordinator)

12. NEW BUSINESS – (Ordinance – First Reading)
None

13. NEW BUSINESS – (Resolutions – First and Final Reading)
None

REGULAR AGENDA

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (Ordinances – Second and Final Reading)

- a. Ordinance to rezone approximately 0.17 acre of real property located at 1600 East Washington Street from RM-1, Single-Family and Multifamily residential district, to C-3, Regional commercial district (Tax Map Number 0196000400100) (Z-10-2020)
(Presented by Planning Administrator Courtney Powell)

Councilmember DeWorken moved, seconded by Councilmember Brasington, to approve second and final reading.

Mr. Graham commented on the approval by the Planning Commission and advised the proposed zoning is contiguous to similar zoning. Councilmember Dowe and Councilmember Gibson shared concerns with the zoning request and continued the discussion on spot zoning. Councilmember Gibson asked if OD would be allowed, and Mr. Graham responded it would allow for office, however the applicant applied for mixed use. Councilmember DeWorken stated he is concerned the rezoning would be infringing upon a neighborhood. Councilmember Brasington asked if there were any other options, and Mr. Graham responded there is not, other than spot zoning.

After discussion, the motion failed 6-0.

- b. A Fourth Supplemental Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of a City of Greenville, South Carolina, Stormwater System Revenue Bond, Series 2020, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$3,100,000; and other matters relating thereto (REVISED)
(Presented by Office of Management and Budget Director Matt Efird)

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember Gibson, to approve second and final reading. The motion carried unanimously.

15. NEW BUSINESS – (Ordinances – First Reading)

- a. Ordinance to prohibit the operation of trucks on Butler Avenue between Pete Hollis Boulevard and West Washington Street
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)

Councilmember Stall moved, seconded by Councilmember Dowe, to approve first reading.

Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper stated staff spoke with the South Carolina Department of Transportation, which concurred with the truck restriction. Mr. Cooper also stated the restriction does not affect any delivery trucks. Councilmember Brasington confirmed the restriction applies to trucks with six wheels and larger.

After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- b. Ordinance to prohibit the operation of trucks on Atwood Street, West Park Avenue, and East Park Avenue between Buncombe Street and the North Church Street overpass
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)

Councilmember DeWorken moved, seconded by Councilmember Gibson, to approve first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

- c. Ordinance to prohibit the operation of trucks on Grove Road between Augusta Street and Henrydale Avenue
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember Gibson, to approve first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Dowe asked for comments from Police Chief Howie Thompson regarding regulating the prohibitions. Chief Thompson commented on the process officers will provide in educating the drivers and neighborhoods while enforcing the changes. Councilmember Stall asked if the prohibition will affect deliveries to the medical school in the area. Mr. Cooper responded it will not. Mayor Pro Tem Flemming recommended sending communications to the neighborhoods affected by the prohibitions so they are aware of the changes.

16. NEW BUSINESS – (Resolution – First and Final Reading)

- a. Resolution to appoint various judicial positions in Municipal Court under Chapter 22, Municipal Court, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Greenville
(Presented by Municipal Court Judge Matt Hawley)

Councilmember DeWorken moved, seconded by Councilmember Stall, to approve first and final reading. The motion carried unanimously.

17. STAFF REPORTS

City Manager John McDonough provided information on the following items:

- a. Trick or Treat on Main Street - Thanks to Events for organizing the Trick or Treat on Main Street with 35 merchants participating.

- b. Ice on Main – Construction continues, Lidl has confirmed sponsorship of a new viewing area, and the opening ceremonies will be held very soon.
 - c. Veterans Memorial – Veteran’s Day ceremony will be held on November 11 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in Cleveland Park.
 - d. Landlord Assistance Program - The Greenville Housing Fund has launched a program providing monthly rental assistance of \$1,000 per month up to 100% percent of the monthly rental curve between March 27 and December 1 for a maximum period of nine months. Applications can be received between November 1-30. These funds are being provided through the Greenville County CARES Act Funding.
 - e. Boo in the Zoo - \$150,000 in revenue was generated with approximately 16,000 attendees.
 - f. Zoo Accreditation - The hearing is scheduled for November 20, and the Zoo is 100% percent complete on all issues addressed.
 - g. Unity Park - Welborn Street parking lot is beginning to take shape with curbing being installed this week and river restoration work scheduled to begin later this month. Interior demolition at the future Visitors Center has started.
 - h. Damage from Zeta - Thanks to Mike Murphy and Public Works for responding to over 80 trees down during the recent storm and completing clean up quickly.
 - i. Procurements - Current procurements are out for the Bobby Pearse Community Center renovations, speed hump installations, and the GTA Maintenance Facility Project Management.
- 18. ADJOURN.** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

KNOX H. WHITE, MAYOR

CAMILLA G. PITMAN, MMC, Certified PLS
CITY CLERK

MEETING NOTICE POSTED AND MEDIA NOTIFIED ON NOVEMBER 6, 2020.