



## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

### City of Greenville, South Carolina

Agenda Item No.

16a

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council  
**FROM:** John F. McDonough, City Manager

Ordinance/First Reading
  Ordinance/Second & Final Reading
  Resolution/First & Final Reading
  Information Only

**AGENDA DATE REQUESTED:** June 14, 2021

**ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION CAPTION:**

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONVERSION OF BURDETTE STREET INTO A ONE-WAY STREET FROM MASON STREET TO PENDLETON STREET

**SUMMARY BACKGROUND:**

City Council approved Resolution No. 2021-14 on May 10, 2021, which approved a development agreement between the City and Big AI, LLC, in furtherance of public improvements on Pendleton Street; and matters related thereto.

The development agreement pertained to improving public safety and visual appeal of the streetscape in the Flatiron Building block (1211 Pendleton Street in the Village of West Greenville), which includes new lighting, new sidewalks, new landscaping, new art plaza, new on-street parallel parking for the public's use and enjoyment, water management improvements, and traffic improvements to Burdette Street, as shown in Exhibit A.

The City and Flatiron Building Owners held a public meeting on May 4, 2021, to discuss the streetscape plans, where over thirty business owners and residents attended and voiced positive support for the project.

City Council action is required to accomplish the re-configuration of Burdette Street into a one-way configuration in order to accommodate a portion of the aforementioned public improvements.

City staff has coordinated with SCDOT to ensure a re-configuration of Burdette from Mason Street to Pendleton Street will comply with their standards. With the conversion of Burdette Street into a one-way street, on-street parking will be gained.

**IMPACT IF DENIED:**

The project will not be able to move forward.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

None

#### REQUIRED SIGNATURES

**Department Director** *Merte Johnson*  
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**OMB Director** \_\_\_\_\_

**City Attorney** *Michael Pitts*  
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**City Manager** *John McDonough*  
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A R E S O L U T I O N

TO APPROVE THE CONVERSION OF BURDETTE STREET INTO A ONE-WAY STREET FROM MASON STREET TO PENDLETON STREET

WHEREAS, the city of Greenville (the “City”) views the Flatiron Building’s location at 1211 Pendleton Street as a strategic gateway into the Village of West Greenville (the “Village”) and recognizes the building’s architecture as iconic in nature; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to improve safety and visual appeal of the streetscape in the Flatiron Building block, which will include new lighting; new sidewalks around the entire block; new landscaping that continues the same aesthetic of the previously improved streetscape of Pendleton Street; a new art plaza at the point of the Flatiron Building; new on-street parallel parking for the public’s use and enjoyment; an enhanced bus stop for ADA-compliance including seating; water management improvements; and traffic improvements to Burdette Street; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Flatiron Building owners held a public meeting on May 4, 2021, to discuss the streetscape plans where over thirty business owners and residents attended and provided positive support for the project; and

WHEREAS, by way of Resolution No. 2021-14 dated May 10, 2021, City Council approved a development agreement between the City and the owners of the Flatiron Building in furtherance of the aforementioned streetscape and other public improvements; and

WHEREAS, without committing the City to a particular course of action, the development agreement nevertheless recognized that the conversion of the portion of Burdette Street between Mason Street and Pendleton Street to a one-way street was necessary to make the streetscape improvements feasible; and

WHEREAS, to accommodate said streetscape improvements as well as to manage traffic and enhance pedestrian safety within the Village, City staff has determined that converting Burdette Street to a one-way configuration as shown on the attached Exhibit A is an appropriate measure; and

WHEREAS, City staff, with input from the neighborhood, has determined that the one-way should run in a westerly direction from Mason Street towards Pendleton Street; and

WHEREAS, further, City staff coordinated with the South Carolina Department of Transportation (“SCDOT”) to ensure a reconfiguration of Burdette between Mason and Pendleton Streets would comply with its standards and concurrence from SCDOT staff was obtained, subject to the SCDOT formal encroachment process; and

WHEREAS, City staff additionally confirmed with the Greenville County Emergency Medical Service, the Greenville Police Department, and the Greenville Fire Department that the one-way conversion will not impede their equipment and vehicles in the event of an emergency response; and

WHEREAS, City Council is empowered by both Home Rule and express statutory authority to convert a street within its corporate limits to a one-way configuration as set forth in S.C. Code Ann. §§ 5-7-30, 5-27-150 and 56-5-710(A)(4); and

WHEREAS, City Council adopts the findings and recommendations of City staff set forth above; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds that reconfiguring Burdette Street into a one-way street from Mason Street to Pendleton Street is necessary for the improvement of the City and in particular, the Village;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, effective upon commencement of construction of the public improvements on Burdette Street, Burdette Street will be converted to a one-way street from Mason Street to Pendleton Street. The City Manager is authorized to take all necessary action to accomplish the one-way conversion.

RESOLVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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MAYOR

Attest:

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CITY CLERK

Exhibit A

Streetscape Improvements

