



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

**MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL
August 27, 2019**

MEETING LOCATION: Greer City Hall, 301 East Poinsett Street, Greer, SC 29651

I. CALL TO ORDER OF THE REGULAR MEETING Mayor Rick Danner – 6:30 P.M.

The following members of Council were in attendance:
Jay Arrowood, Wayne Griffin arrived at 6:44, Kimberly Bookert, Lee Dumas, Wryley Bettis and Judy Albert.

Others present: Ed Driggers, City Administrator, Mike Sell, Assistant City Administrator, Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk, Steve Owens, Communications Manager, Police Officer Joel Galli and various other staff and media.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Councilmember Kimberly Bookert

III. INVOCATION Councilmember Kimberly Bookert

IV. PUBLIC FORUM No one signed up to speak

V. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING August 13, 2019

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of August 13, 2019 be received as written. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- A.** Mayor Danner recognized the City of Greer 6U All Star Rookie League Baseball Team for winning the Dixie Youth Baseball Rookie League State Tournament to become the 2019 State Champions. Team members are as follows:

Head Coach- Chad Painter, Asst. Coach- Aaron Shealey, Asst. Coach- Josh Cannon, Asst. Coach- Adam Odom

Players: Wyatt Painter, Easton Shealey, Corbin Cannon, Avery Odom, Colbie Burkett, Lucas Stathakis, Whit Arnold, Caleb Davis, Easton Holtzclaw, Cash Watson, Aiden Hill, Harrison Dunster

VII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- A. Building and Development Standards, Finance, Fire Department, Municipal Court, Parks & Recreation, Police Department, Public Services and the Website Activity Reports for **July 2019** were included in the packet for informational purposes.

Finance

Susan Howell, Budget and Audit Manager presented the Financial Report for the period ending July 31, 2019. (Attached)

General Fund Cash Balance: \$16,221,700.

General Fund Revenue: \$581,660.

General Fund Expenditures: \$2,088,331.

Revenue Benchmark Variance: \$68,025.

Expenditure Benchmark Variance: (\$795,570.)

Overall Benchmark Variance: \$(727,535.)

The City is on budget during this time period.

Hospitality Fund Cash Balance: \$1,424,805.

Storm Water Fund Cash Balance: \$1,639,474.

VIII. PRESENTATION

- A. Matt Hamby, Chief of Police presented highlights from his monthly activity report.

IX. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the following:

Summer Programs are coming to a conclusion and we are rapidly preparing for an active Fall Season.

Chamber of Commerce is preparing to host their Blues on the Green Event Friday, September 6 at City Park.

Chamber of Commerce First Friday Luncheon will be held Friday, September 6th at City Hall. The Lieutenant Governor will speak.

Annual Employee Benefits Fair will be held Thursday, September 12th from 7:30 am until Noon at the Cannon Centre.

Center for the Arts – Spot light on the Arts Gala will be held Friday, September 20th tickets for Council have been reserved.

Center for the Arts Dedication will be held Saturday, September 21st at 10:45 am. Entertainment and activities will be held in the Park and in the facility starting at 11:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Center for the Arts Community Day will be held Sunday, September 22nd from 1:00 pm until 5:00 pm. Tours will be available.

Safety Breakfast will be held Friday, October 4th at 7:30 in City Hall.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Brookshire Road Follow Up

Steve Grant, City Engineer presented the following:

Staff has gotten quotes from a local contractor to address the road and shoulder conditions. Both options below include widening the road 4 feet on either side and maintaining a ditch section.

1. Conventional FDP, widen, mill, re-surface: \$186,312.97

2. CMRB (Cement Modified Reclaimed Base), widen: \$144,581.42

Staff recommends we move forward immediately so the road doesn't endure another winter with road deterioration. Staff recommends we proceed immediately with option 2, CMRB as it will give a better overall product and is more cost effective in this case. We need to get this work completed by November before cold weather sets in.

In addition, we are making plans to meet with BMW and others about using this road as a cut-through to BMW and also, we are planning on conducting a live study/count on the road to determine actual cut-through on a normal weekday.

We will complete these steps in the next few weeks but feel it is imperative to get approval to do the paving work while we still have good weather and we need to get on the contractor's schedule as soon as we can.

Funding will be from Paving funds that are available and staff will request a 50% match funding from Spartanburg County CTC.

Mr. Grant proposed budgeting an additional \$7500.00 for signage and or traffic calming if found to be necessary. Also, adding a contingency budget bringing the total requested amount of \$160,000.00. This amount does not impact the regular paving/resurfacing budget, that is still fully funded.

Discussion held.

ACTION – Councilmember Judy Albert made a motion to approve the recommendation from Staff for Option 2 CMRB (Cement Modified Reclaimed Base), widen total amount of \$160,000.00. Councilmember Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. First Reading of Ordinance Number 30-2019

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY PANDION PROPERTIES, LLC LOCATED AT 306 WEST POINSETT STREET FROM OD (OFFICE DISTRICT) TO DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT).

Brandon McMahan, Zoning Coordinator presented the request. He stated a Public Hearing was held by the Planning Commission August 19, 2019 and they recommended approval. The owner/representative was present but did not speak.

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 30-2019. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

Brief discussion held.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. First Reading of Ordinance Number 31-2019

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY RENEW PROPERTIES, LLC AND K & L INVESTMENTS, INC. LOCATED AT 117 AND 119 BROWN STREET FROM R-12 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT).

Brandon McMahan, Zoning Coordinator presented the request. He stated a Public Hearing was held by the Planning Commission August 19, 2019 and they recommended approval. Neither the owner nor a representative was present.

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 31-2019. Councilmember Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

Brief discussion held.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

C. First Reading of Ordinance Number 32-2019

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY GREER COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER LOCATED ON TURNER STREET FROM RM-1 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO RM-2 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT).

Brandon McMahan, Zoning Coordinator presented the request. He stated a Public Hearing was held by the Planning Commission August 19, 2019 and they recommended approval. The owner/representative was present but did not speak.

ACTION – Councilmember Wayne Griffin made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 32-2019. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ACTION – In (7:18 p.m.)

(A) Economic Development Matter – Project Greer Mill

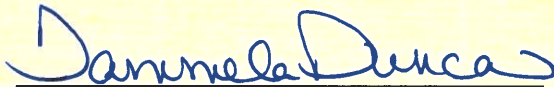
Councilmember Lee Dumas made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss an Economic Development matter pertaining to Project Greer Mill; as allowed by State Statute Section 30-4-70(a)(5). Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.


Mayor Danner stated during Executive Session they considered the above matter and no action was taken.

ACTION - Out (8:05 p.m.) – Councilmember Wayne Griffin made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilmember Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

8:05 P.M.


Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk


Richard W. Danner, Mayor

Notifications: Agenda posted in City Hall and email notifications sent to The Greenville News, The Greer Citizen, GreerToday.com and the Spartanburg Herald Journal Friday, August 23, 2019.



Financial Performance Summary

As of Month End July, 2019

Quick Look Indicators	This Month	This Year	Balance
General Fund Cash Balance	↓	↓	\$ 16,221,700
General Fund Revenue	↓	↑	\$ 581,660
General Fund Expenditures	↑	↑	\$ 2,088,331
Budget Percentage (Over) / Under	↓	↓	0%
Revenue Benchmark Variance	↓	↑	\$ 68,025
Expenditure Benchmark Variance	↓	↓	\$ (795,570)
Overall Benchmark Variance	↓	↓	\$ (727,545)
Hospitality Fund Cash Balance	↑	↑	\$ 1,424,805
Hospitality Fund Revenue	↓	↑	\$ 212,274
Hospitality Fund Expenditures	↓	↓	\$ 3,725
Storm Water Fund Cash Balance	↑	↑	\$ 1,639,474
Storm Water Fund Revenue	↓	↑	\$ 3,916
Storm Water Fund Expenditures	↑	↑	\$ 120,599