



**CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL  
August 11, 2020**

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER OF THE REGULAR MEETING** Mayor Rick Danner – 6:33 P.M.

The following members of Council were in attendance:  
Jay Arrowood, Mark Hopper, Lee Dumas, Wryley Bettis  
and Judy Albert.

Councilmember Wayne Griffin was absent.

Others present: Andrew Merriman, City Administrator,  
Mike Sell, Assistant City Administrator, Tammela  
Duncan, Municipal Clerk, Steve Owens,  
Communications Manager and various other staff and  
media.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Councilmember Lee Dumas

**III. INVOCATION** Councilmember Lee Dumas

Mayor Danner welcomed the new City Administrator, Andy Merriman to the City.

**IV. PUBLIC FORUM** No one signed up to speak

**V. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING** July 28, 2020

**ACTION** – Councilmember Lee Dumas made a motion that the minutes of July 28, 2020 be received as written. Councilmember Mark Hopper seconded the motion.

**VOTE** - Motion carried unanimously.

**VI. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Andrew Merriman, City Administrator stated he has had the opportunity over the last week and a half to work with some of the department heads on a very specific and pointed approach to what it is they do for me to learn the ins and outs of the departments. They've been tremendously helpful. I think I've hit everybody, I have Mrs. Helms tomorrow and Mr. Grant on Thursday and that will round out the department heads. You have a very professional staff and a very dedicated staff

and certainly a group I'm very proud to be a part of. I'm looking forward to continuing to learn. I want to thank Mike Sell he's been fantastic to work with and Reno has lead me through some economic development project going on. It's a great group so far and I want to thank you for the opportunity.

## **VII. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

### **A. Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals David Greer has resigned his term expires 12/31/2024.**

No Action was taken.

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 11-2020 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY JAMES BURNS LOCATED AT 286 NATURE TRAIL ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF R-20 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. He stated the Planning Commission held a Public Hearing April 20, 2020 and recommended approval. A representative was present and spoke briefly.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 11-2020. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

Discussion held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Albert voting in opposition.

### **B. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 12-2020 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY JAMES BENJAMIN AND EVELYN BURNS LOCATED AT 282 NATURE TRAIL ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF R-20 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. He stated the Planning Commission held a Public Hearing April 20, 2020 and recommended approval. A representative was present and spoke briefly.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 12-2020. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Albert voting in opposition.

**C. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 31-2020  
AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF  
PROPERTY OWNED BY MARY GREEN LOCATED AT 551 ABNER CREEK  
ROAD FROM R-12 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO RM-1  
(MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT).**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. He stated there was no new information.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 31-2020. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Albert voting in opposition.

**D. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 32-2020  
AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF  
PROPERTY OWNED BY BEN DILLARD LOCATED AT 531 ABNER CREEK  
ROAD FROM R-12 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO RM-1  
(MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT).**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. He stated there was no new information.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 32-2020. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Albert voting in opposition.

**E. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 34-2020  
AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY  
OWNED BY RED DRAGONFLY LLC LOCATED AT 1111 POPLAR DRIVE  
EXTENSION BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH  
A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF R-5 (GARDEN COURT OR PATIO HOUSE  
DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. He stated the Planning Commission held a Public Hearing July 20, 2020 and recommended approval.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 34-2020. Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**F. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 37-2020  
AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF  
PROPERTY OWNED BY MARGARITA HEWITT LOCATED AT 2920 BRUSHY  
CREEK ROAD FROM DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT) TO R-12 (SINGLE  
FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT).**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. He stated there was no new information.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 37-2020. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**G. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 39-2020  
AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A  
PORTION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY OZF LLC LOCATED ON SOUTH  
BEVERLY LANE FROM R-12 (RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO RM-2 (MULTI-  
FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT).**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. He stated there was no new information.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 39-2020. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**H. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 40-2020  
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A MAJOR CHANGE TO A DESIGN REVIEW  
DISTRICT (DRD) OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF GREER  
RELATED TO THE SOUTH MAIN TOWNES DEVELOPMENT**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. He stated there was no new information.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 40-2020. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

Brief discussion held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Arrowood voting in opposition.

## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Bid Summary – Fire Department Extrication Equipment**

Josh Holtzheimer, Deputy Fire Chief presented the following: The Fire Department has worked to evaluate our current extrication equipment and what the department's needs are moving forward. Staff invited various vendors to a local salvage yard, where equipment could be evaluated against the department's needs. Based on the results staff recommends the project be awarded to Spartan Fire and Emergency Apparatus, whom is the sole source vendor for Holmatro Rescue Tools. The quoted price of \$74,994.17 is within the approved 2020/2021 budget of \$75,000.00. Staff recommends the project be awarded to Spartan Fire and Emergency Apparatus in the amount of \$74,994.17

**ACTION** – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve Staff's recommendation of Spartan Fire and Emergency Apparatus in the amount of \$74,994.17. Councilmember Mark Hopper seconded the motion.

Discussion held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

### **B. Bid Summary – Fire Department Medical Equipment**

Josh Holtzheimer, Deputy Fire Chief presented the following: The Fire Department has worked to continuously improve the level of medical care provided to our community. We have worked hard to increase the number of paramedics on staff over the past three years, and are now ready to move forward with providing Advanced Life Support to the citizens of Greer. Having paramedics on our apparatus with this equipment will allow our staff to provide advanced cardiac life support to our citizens in an efficient and timely manner. As well as, allow us to monitor the effects structure fires have on our firefighters, by giving us the ability to monitor carbon monoxide gases in the blood and provide advanced care that was previously available only if EMS was on scene.

Based on the results staff recommends the project be awarded to Stryker Medical, whom is the sole source vendor for LifePak 15 Monitor/Defibrillators. The quoted price of \$153,039.89 is within the approved 2020/2021 budget of \$154,000.00. Staff recommends the project be awarded to Stryker Medical in the amount of \$153,039.89

**ACTION** – Councilmember Mark Hopper made a motion to approve Staff’s recommendation of Stryker Medical in the amount of \$153,039.89. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

Brief discussion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**C. First Reading of Ordinance Number 41-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY CJN, LLC LOCATED AT 220 B STREET BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF R-7.5 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. Neither the owner nor a representative was present.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 41-2020. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

Discussion held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**D. First Reading of Ordinance Number 42-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY CROWN PROPERTIES, LLC LOCATED AT 210 AND 200 B STREET BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF R-7.5 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing August 17, 2020.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 42-2020. Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

Brief Discussion held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**E. First Reading of Ordinance Number 43-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF A PORTION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL LLC LOCATED AT 85 AND 87 BEECO ROAD AND SOUTH BUNCOMBE ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING**

**CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTIES.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request. The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing August 17, 2020. A representative was present.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 43-2020. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

Discussion held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**F. First Reading of Ordinance Number 44-2020  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING REGARDING THE CONVEYANCE OF AN EASEMENT IN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF GREER**

Andy Merriman, City Administrator stated the applicant had withdrawn the request. No action was taken.

**G. First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 24-2020  
A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF GREER AS AN ABANDONED BUILDING SITE**

Reno Deaton, Executive Director of Greer Development Corporation presented the request. (Attachment) Mr. Keith Eades, the developer spoke briefly. Mr. Hill spoke briefly.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Judy Albert made a motion to receive First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 24-2020. Councilmember Mark Hopper seconded the motion.


Lengthy discussion held.

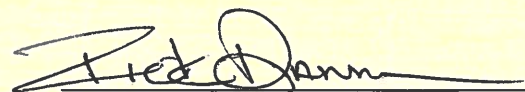
**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

7:26 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 7, 2020.



