



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL June 22, 2021

Meeting Location: Greer City Hall, 301 East Poinsett Street, Greer, SC 29651

Call to Order of the Formal Meeting Mayor Rick Danner – 6:35 P.M.

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

Councilmembers Jay Arrowood and Wayne Griffin were absent.

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

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance Councilmember Mark Hopper

Public Forum No one signed up to speak.

Minutes of the Council Meeting June 8, 2021

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of June 8, 2021 be received as written. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

Special Recognition

Deputy Fire Chief Josh Holzheimer recognized Lieutenant Mat Tidwell upon his completion of the SC Firefighters' Association's Leadership Institute.

Deputy Fire Chief Josh Holzheimer recognized Battalion Chief Paul Brown, Engineer Joe Borrelli, Firefighter/EMT Andrew Morgan, Firefighter/Paramedic Austin Blanchard with the Greer Fire Department and Engineer Doug Bryant with the Pelham Batesville Fire Department for their Meritorious Action Award received from the SC Firefighters' Association. The patient survived severe injury with a fatality rate of 100% due to the team work and quick actions of this team.

Fire Chief Dorian Flowers recognized Deputy Fire Chief Josh Holzheimer upon his graduation from the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program.

Departmental Reports

Building and Development Standards, Finance, Fire Department, Municipal Court, Parks & Recreation, Police Department, Public Services and the Website Activity Reports for **May 2021** were included in the packet for informational purposes.

Finance

Susan Howell, Budget and Audit Manager presented the Financial Report for the period ending May 31, 2021. (Attached)

General Fund Cash Balance: \$17,444,170.

Revenue: \$30,135,855.

Operational Expenditures: \$25,859,246.

Fund Balance Usage: \$1,065,714.

Total Expenditures: \$26,924,960.

Operational Expenditures: 8% under Budget

Total Percentage: 2% under Budget

Revenue Benchmark Variance: \$3,870,956.

Expenditure Benchmark Variance: \$493,172.

Overall Benchmark Variance: \$4,364,128.

Hospitality Fund Cash Balance: \$1,111,088.

Storm Water Fund Cash Balance: \$3,309,028.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Board of Zoning Appeals

District 2 Glendora Massey's term will expire 6/30/2021.

No action was taken.

District 4 Robbie Septon's term will expire 6/30/2021.

No action was taken.

Election Commission

Paul Lamb has resigned effective 6/22/2021 his term expires 12/31/2026.

Planning Commission

District 3 Tom Kriese's term will expire 6/30/2021.

No action was taken.

District 6 Brian Martin's term will expire 6/30/2021.

ACTION – Councilmember Judy Albert nominated Paul Lamb for appointment to the District 6 Seat on the Planning Commission. Councilmember Mark Hopper seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 8-2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT, SERIES 2021 IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT EXCEEDING \$2,635,234 RELATING TO THE FINANCING OF EQUIPMENT FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS INCLUDING THE LEASE AGREEMENT; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

David Seifert, Chief Financial Officer presented the request.

ACTION – Councilmember Judy Albert made a motion to approve First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 8-2021. Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 9-2021

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING GREENVILLE COUNTY TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND SPECIAL SOURCE CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH PROJECT HOMECOMING; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Andy Merriman, City Administrator presented the request.

ACTION – Councilmember Judy Albert made a motion to approve First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 9-2021. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

Andy Merriman, City Administrator presented the following:

Freedom Blast – is schedule for this Saturday, June 26, 2021 in City Park.


Municipal Court – is in need of repair to their HVAC system. We have the money available in this year's budget. Ordinarily we would bring it to you when an expense is over \$30,000.00 but in this particular case it is a sole proprietor and we would like to encumber this money in this year's budget. I am requesting Council allow me to sign the PO (purchase order) to get the process started. In the first meeting in July we will bring it back to you for your approval and also the HVAC repairs for this building are scheduled to be done.

City of Greer Municipal Election – Filling for the November 2, 2021 City of Greer Municipal Election will begin Thursday, July 15th at Noon and end Monday, August 16th at Noon.

Executive Session

Mayor Danner stated an Executive Session was not needed.

Adjournment – 6:55 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, June 18, 2021.



Financial Performance Summary

As of Month End May, 2021

Quick Look Indicators	This Month	This Year	Balance
GENERAL FUND			
Cash Balance	↓	↑	\$ 17,444,170
Revenue	↓	↑	\$ 30,135,855
Operational Expenditures	↑	↓	\$ 25,859,246
Fund Balance Usage	↑	↓	\$ 1,065,714
Total Expenditures	↓	↑	\$ 26,924,960
Operational Percentage (Over) / Under	↑	↓	8%
Total Percentage (Over) / Under	↑	↑	2%
Revenue Benchmark Variance	↓	↑	\$ 3,870,956
Expenditure Benchmark Variance	↑	↓	\$ 493,172
Overall Benchmark Variance	↑	↑	\$ 4,364,128
HOSPITALITY FUND			
Cash Balance	↑	↑	\$ 1,111,088
Revenue	↓	↑	\$ 2,520,506
Expenditures	↓	↓	\$ 2,468,168
STORM WATER FUND			
Cash Balance	↑	↑	\$ 3,309,028
Revenue	↓	↑	\$ 1,170,222
Expenditures	↑	↓	\$ 692,933