



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL January 25, 2022

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: Jay Arrowood, Karuam Booker, Mark Hopper, Lee Dumas, Wryley Bettis and Judy Albert.

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

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance Councilman Karuam Booker

Public Forum No one signed up to speak during Public Forum.

Minutes of the Council Meeting January 11, 2022

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of January 11, 2022 be received as written. Councilmember Mark Hopper seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

Departmental Reports

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

Finance

Susan Howell, Budget and Audit Manager presented the Financial Report for December 2021. (Attached)

General Fund Cash Balance: \$9,533,938.

Revenue: \$8,013,498.
Operational Expenditures: \$14,651,929.
Fund Balance Usage: \$784,523.
Total Expenditures: \$15,436,452.
Operational Expenditures: 6% under Budget
Total Percentage: 2% under Budget

Revenue Benchmark Variance: \$1,323,510.
Expenditure Benchmark Variance: (\$385,600.)
Overall Benchmark Variance: \$937,910.

Hospitality Fund Cash Balance: \$2,024,016.
Storm Water Fund Cash Balance: \$2,263,223.

Andy Merriman, City Administrator presented the following:

Workshop before the regularly scheduled Council Meeting 2/8/2022 – will be held February 8th at 5:30 pm regarding the Traffic Calming Policy and the Street Preservation Program.

Workshop after regularly scheduled Council Meeting 2/8/2022 – will be held immediately following the adjournment of the regularly scheduled meeting. Presentations regarding the budget will be made by the Fire Department, Municipal Court and the Police Department.

Statements of Economic Interest – are due no later than March 30, 2022. Please complete this form online.

Redistricting – The Census is now complete, redistricting is part of what every local government in the state is going through. During your March 8th meeting we will have a presentation from the SC Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office on the Redistricting Benchmark Report.

W2s – have been placed in your mailboxes.

Storm Event (IZZY) – 18 public services employees worked the event which amounted to 11,015 man hours. Between overtime and material we expended just north of \$39,000.00. This was road pretreatment, scraping and cleaning. I can't say enough about our staff, they were on top of it. As rare of an event as this is we as a staff did an after action analysis of the event. One place we think we can do better and we will work on it is public communication. I think there is an expectation that we are in neighborhoods scraping streets and those types of things. With the amount of plows we have running we are limited but we do continue to work the main though fares to ensure that hospitals are accessible and that public safety can move about. As those areas are cleared then we can go into neighborhoods and secondary streets.

South Carolina Hometown Legislative Action Day – will be held Tuesday, February 1st in Columbia.

Old Business

Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 1-2022 **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF ANY AND ALL INTEREST IN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF GREER (Gibb Shoals Rd & West Phillips Rd – The Shoals)**

Andy Merriman, City Administrator stated there was no new or additional information.


ACTION – Councilmember Karuiam Booker made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 1-2022. Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.


VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

Mayor Danner stated there were no stated items for Executive Session.

Adjournment – 6:47 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, January 21, 2022.



Financial Performance Summary

As of Month End December, 2021

Quick Look Indicators	This Month	This Year	Balance
GENERAL FUND			
Cash Balance	↑	↑	\$ 9,533,938
Revenue	↑	↑	\$ 8,013,498
Operational Expenditures	↓	↑	\$ 14,651,929
Fund Balance Usage	↓	↑	\$ 784,523
Total Expenditures	↓	↑	\$ 15,436,452
Operational Percentage (Over) / Under	↑	-	6%
Total Percentage (Over) / Under	↑	-	2%
Revenue Benchmark Variance	↑	↑	\$ 1,323,510
Expenditure Benchmark Variance	↑	↑	\$ (385,600)
Overall Benchmark Variance	↓	↑	\$ 937,910
HOSPITALITY FUND			
Cash Balance	↑	↑	\$ 2,024,016
Revenue	↓	↑	\$ 1,478,993
Expenditures	↓	↑	\$ 654,972
STORM WATER FUND			
Cash Balance	↑	↓	\$ 2,263,223
Revenue	↑	↓	\$ 114,377
Expenditures	↓	↑	\$ 631,349