### **MINUTES**



# CITY OF HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC HEARINGS AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020 - 5:30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE

Mayor/Council:

Mayor Pennington
Mayor Pro-Tem Andrews
Councilmember Braddock
Councilmember Caldwell
Councilmember Gammage
Councilmember Mack
Councilmember McGee

Executive Staff:
City Manager Zeigler
City Clerk Skipper
Human Resources Director Ward
Community & Economic Dev Dir. Munoz
Finance Director Caulder
Fire Chief Burr

Attorney - None Press

PURSUANT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT SC CODE 30-4-80: WRITTEN NOTICE WAS DELIVERED TO THE PRESS BY EMAIL ON FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2020 AND DULY POSTED AT CITY HALL LOCATED AT 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE; AN ACCESSIBLE FACILITY, AND ON HARTSVILLESC.GOV.

Mayor Pennington called the meeting to order at 5:36pm and asked Councilmember Gammage to lead in the invocation and the Girl Scout troop in attendance to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION TO WAIVE READING OF AND APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2020 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - APPROVED.

Motion: Andrews; Second: Gammage; Carried: All ayes.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Girl Scout Week Proclamation for March 9 – 13 was presented to troops 1500, 1502, and 119.

Social Emotional Learning Day Proclamation was presented to the Student Council of the Pee Dee Math Science & Technology Academy by Councilmember Gammage. He expressed that this learning of social skills does not show up on a report card, but is necessary in life.

Coker Farms National Historic Landmark Update - Pressly Coker, Chairman Mr. Coker informed City Council that a moveable exhibit of Coker Farms in currently on display in the Crema Coffee Shop with photos, seed bags, and other historic items such as the "iconic" Blood Will Tell. It reflects photos of men and women responsible for the success of Coker Pedigreed Seed Company. The intent is to have a Q&A session; date and time to be determined. This exhibit will be up until the end of May. He also asked for help from City Council in regard to trash on the National Historic Landmark site, which takes about 2 ½ hours of his time each week picking up trash that is not generated by the site. Mayor Pennington stated that the city thinks they can help; it is a national historic site and also the gateway to the city.

Mayor Pennington recognized County Councilmember Lewis Brown and asked if he wanted to say a few words. Councilmember Brown thanked Mayor Pro-Tem Andrews for attending several County

Council meetings. He also expressed his pleasure that 1. the County Administrator and City Manager were working more closely; 2. the County Council approved the multi-county park for the canal district; 3. that dialogue between the county and city is best it has ever been, and 4. appreciate collaborative efforts.

## **MANAGER UPDATE**

Jordan Braddock, Neptune Island Waterpark General Manager, introduced Caleb Gaddy as Aquatics Manager and Scott Ard as Facility Maintenance Supervisor.

Introduction of Matthew Christian as the Morning News reporter that will now be covering our Council meetings. Mayor Pennington welcomed him and stated that we will miss our good friend Jim Faile; he was a true professional.

Reminder to Council that their Statement of Economic Interests Filing deadline is 3/30/20.

# **CONSENT AGENDA - Received as Information Only**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL READING ORDINANCE 4382: APPROVAL OF BAILEY BILL CERTIFICATION AND DESIGNATION FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 114 SOUTH FOURTH STREET – APPROVED. Open/Close Public Hearing: No public input.

Approval of Final Reading and Waiving of Complete Reading: Motion: Andrews; Second: Gammage; Carried: with all ayes.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL READING ORDINANCE 4383: APPROVAL TO LEASE A PORTION OF ALLEYWAY AT 120 SOUTH FIFTH STREET FROM TRUST COMPANY - APPROVED.

Open/Close Public Hearing: No public input.

Approval of Final Reading and Waiving of Complete Reading: Motion: McGee; Second: Braddock; Carried: with all ayes.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

RESOLUTION 03-20-01: TO CERTIFY TWO UNITS LOCATED AT 710 SOUTH FIFTH STREET (TAX MAP NUMBER 056-14-04-071) AS ABANDONED BUILDING SITES PURSUANT TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA ABANDONED BUILDINGS REVITALIZATION ACT – APPROVED.

Motion: Andrews; Second: Mack; Carried: All ayes.

RESOLUTION 03-20-02: APPROVAL OF ENGINEERING FIRM FOR HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT DRAINAGE STUDY - APPROVED.

Motion: Andrews; Second: Mack; Carried: All ayes.

RESOLUTION 03-20-03: TO REQUEST ANNEXING AN APPROXIMATELY .91 (+/-) ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY THE CITY OF HARTSVILLE KNOW AS TAX MAP PARCEL 056-00-01-026 LOCATED AT 1330 SOUTH MARQUIS HIGHWAY - APPROVED.

Motion: Mack; Second: McGee; Carried: All ayes.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 4384: AN ORDINANCE TO LEASE THE PROPERTY AT 106 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE FROM SPONDULITS, LLC - APPROVED.

Motion: McGee; Second: Andrews; Carried: All ayes.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 4385: AN ORDINANCE TO LEASE THE PROPERTY AT 149 WEST CAROLINA AVENUE TO DARLINGTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY - APPROVED.

Motion: Mack; Second: Caldwell; Carried: All ayes.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 4386: TO ANNEX AN APPROXIMATELY .91 (+/-) ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY THE CITY OF HARTSVILLE KNOW AS TAX MAP PARCEL 056-00-01-026 LOCATED AT 1330 SOUTH MARQUIS HIGHWAY - APPROVED.

Motion: Andrews; Second: Gammage; Carried: All ayes.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION: TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SC CODE FOIA SECTION 30-4-70(a)(1) FOR DISCUSSION OF APPOINTMENTS OF THE CITY ATTORNEY AND A CITY JUDGE - APPROVED. Motion: Braddock; Second: Mack; Carried: All ayes.

MOTION: TO VERIFY THAT ONLY THE ITEMS STATED IN THE MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION WERE DISCUSSED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION – APPROVED.

Motion: Andrews; Second: Mack; Carried: All ayes.

UPON RETURNING TO OPEN SESSION, COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

ADJOURNMENT: Without objection at 6:39pm.	
	Carl M. (Mel) Pennington IV, Mayor
ATTEST: Sherron L. Skipper, City Clerk	