



MINUTES

CITY OF HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA
PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021 - 5:30 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE

Mayor/Council:

Mayor Pennington - Absent
Mayor Pro-Tem Andrews
Councilmember Braddock
Councilmember Caldwell
Councilmember Mack
Councilmember McGee
Councilmember Kenzie DeLaine

Executive Staff:

City Manager Moore
City Clerk/Interim HR Director Skipper
Finance Director Caulder
Tourism & Communications Director Baker
Economic Development Director Munoz
Parks & Recreation Director Bedard
Fire Chief Burr
Public Service Director Miles

Attorney - None

Press - None

PURSUANT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT SC CODE 30-4-80: WRITTEN NOTICE WAS DELIVERED TO THE PRESS BY EMAIL ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2021 AND DULY POSTED AT CITY HALL LOCATED AT 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE AND ON HARTSVILLESC.GOV. CITY HALL IS AN ACCESSIBLE FACILITY, FOR ASSISTANCE CALL 843-383-3018.

Mayor Pro-Tem Andrews called the meeting to order at 5:31pm and asked Councilmember Mack to lead in the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Mack asked that we observe a moment of silence in memory of the loss of Councilmember's Caldwell's family member.

MOTION TO WAIVE READING OF AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – APPROVED.

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

PRESENTATIONS

Public Comments: None

Presentation by Hartsville Fire Department and City Council: to Leeland Farmer for reporting a kitchen fire on September 10th. He is a young man who found the fire during the night and woke his parents and due to his heroics he saved his family from the fire. The Hartsville Fire Department and City Council presented him with the Youth Hero Award.

Proclamation: presented to Paula Alvarez and the IB students of Hartsville High School in recognition of International Baccalaureate Week 2021. Mayor Pro-Tem Andrews made the presentation since it is near and dear to his heart as he was in charge of this program before he retired from the school system. The IB diploma gives students immediate recognition academically. He thanked Ms. Alvarez and her students for their hard work.

Monthly Departmental Update: Wesley Miles, Public Service Director explained the different areas of the Public Service Department. Maintenance, Sanitation (commercial and residential along

with yard debris and recycling), streets and grounds, and utilities (water, sewer, storm water). He also handles waste water treatment plant. He discussed staffing and capital needs.

MANAGER UPDATE

1. The Hartsville Public Development Corporation Board is reviewing final renderings from the Architect and Moore is waiting for comments from the board. The next meeting is October 26, 2021.
2. City code, in regard to cigar bars, will be reviewed by the Planning Commission at their November meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA - Received as Information Only

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL READING ORDINANCE 4422: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BY REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 14 "BUSINESS LICENSE" ARTICLE II "BUSINESS LICENSE PROGRAM" OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUSINESS LICENSE BILL (H4431) PASSED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA LEGISLATURE IN SEPTEMBER 2020 - APPROVED.

Open/Close Public Hearing (state name and address for record) – No input.

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

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL READING ORDINANCE 4423: APPROVAL OF BAILEY BILL DESIGNATION AND PRELIMINARY CERTIFICATION FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 559 WEST CAROLINA AVENUE, TAX MAP #056-09-03-004 2020 - APPROVED.

Open/Close Public Hearing (state name and address for record) – No input.

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

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL READING ORDINANCE 4424: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HARTSVILLE TO AUTHORIZE A LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$700,000), AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO - APPROVED.

Open/Close Public Hearing (state name and address for record) – No input.

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

NEW BUSINESS

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 4425: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF HARTSVILLE CODE BY THE ADDITION OF CHAPTER 2 ARTICLE I DIVISION 2 "CODE OF CONDUCT" SECTIONS 2-2 THROUGH 2-30 - APPROVED.

Approval of First Reading and Waiving of Complete Reading: Motion: Caldwell; Second: DeLaine;

Discussion: Mack asked if providing citizen's assistance would be a violation because she don't want to cross the line. Moore: As a public official, you cannot; as another citizen, you can. This section of the city would also cover city employees. Carried: All ayes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SC CODE FOIA SECTION 30-4- 70(a)(2) FOR DISCUSSION OF INFORMATION REGARDING NEGOTIATION OF PROPERTY AGREEMENTS AND POTENTIAL LITIGATION - APPROVED.

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

UPON RETURNING TO OPEN SESSION, COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION – No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT: Without objection at 6:35pm.

Carl M. (Mel) Pennington IV, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Sherron L. Skipper, City Clerk