



**City Council Meeting
County Council Chambers
366 N. Church Street
Monday, August 10, 2026
5:30p.m.**

(These minutes to be approved at the August 24, 2026 Council Meeting)

City Council met this date with the following Councilmembers present: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr., Mayor Pro Tem J. Ruth Littlejohn, Councilmembers Jamie Fulmer, Janie Salley, Erica Brown, Meghan Smith and Leslie Rodgers. City Manager Chris Story, Deputy City Manager Mitch Kennedy, Assistant City Manager Kevin Limehouse, City Attorney Stinson Ferguson and City Clerk Christie Lindsey were in attendance. Notice of the meeting was posted with the Media 24 hours in advance according to the Freedom of Information Act. All City Council meetings are live streamed/recorded. To view the video for a complete transcript, please visit <https://www.cityofspartanburg.org/city-council>

I. Moment of Silence – observed

II. Pledge of Allegiance - recited

III. Approval of the Minutes of the July 27, 2026 City Council Meeting

Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the minutes as received.

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

IV. Approval of the Agenda for the August 10, 2026, City Council Meeting

Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

V. Public Comment –

1. Sam Bacurin-Support for the Transportation Plan and additional bike lanes.

2. Livingston Hawkins-Chair of the Bike/Ped Committee, appreciative of the E. Main Bike Lane as a result of the new road diet.

VI. Ordinance

A. An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement for the Transfer of Scattered Site Properties Located in the Highland Neighborhood. (First Reading) Ordinance #2026-012

Presenter: Martin Livingston, Community Development Director

Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

VII. Downtown Transportation Plan Update

Presenters: Fredalyn Frasier, Planning Director

Ernie Boughman, Director Of Operations, Toole Design

Council received as information only.

VIII. Staff Updates

Chris Story shared with Council that Art Littlejohn has been named the new Chief of the Spartanburg Police Department.

XII. City Council Updates

Each Councilmember gave updates on their activities since the previous council meeting.

IX. Executive Session

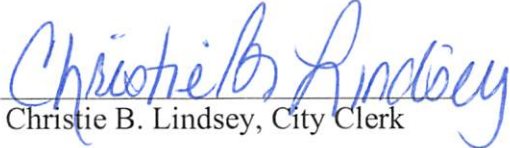
- A. An Executive Session Pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(5) of the South Carolina Code of Laws to Discuss Matters Relating to Economic Development "Project New Vision" a Potential Mixed-Income Residential Development near the Downtown Area.**

*Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 6:28p.m.
Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*

Council convened to regular session at 7:02 p.m. Mayor Rice stated discussions were held with no decisions made.

XI. Adjournment

*Mayor Pro Tem Littlejohn made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.
The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.*


Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk