



CITY OF SPARTANBURG
SOUTH CAROLINA

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

City Council Meeting
County Council Chambers
366 N. Church Street
Monday, October 28, 2024
5:30 PM

- I. **Moment of Silence**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Approval of the Minutes of the October 14, 2024 Meeting**
- IV. **Approval of the Agenda of the October 28, 2024 Meeting**
- V. **Public Comment**
Public Comment forms are available inside Council Chambers on the front podium. Please turn in completed forms to the City of Clerk prior to the start of the meeting.
- VI. **Recognition of the 2024 Citizens Academy Graduates**
Presenter: Jerome Rice, Jr., Mayor
- VII. **Boards and Commissions Appointments-Spartanburg Housing Board**
Presenter: Christie Lindsey, City Clerk
- VIII. **Resolutions**
 - A. **A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Documents Related to the Purchase of Vehicles for the Micro-Transit & Fixed Route Pilot Program**
Presenters: Dennis Locke, Finance Director
Kevin Limehouse, Assistant City Manager
- IX. **Staff Updates**
- X. **City Council Updates**
- XI. **Executive Session**
 - A. **Executive Session Pursuant to Section 30-4-70 (a)(5) of the South Carolina Code to Discuss Matters Relating to Economic Development “Project New Vision” a Potential Mixed-Income Residential Development near the Downtown Area.**
 - B. **Executive Session Pursuant to Section 30-4-70 (a)(5) of the South Carolina Code to Discuss Matters Relating to Economic Development**

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**“Project Red Sun 2” a Potential Mixed-Use Development near the
Downtown Area.**

XII. Adjournment.

City Code Sec. 2-57. Citizen Appearance. Any citizen of the City of Spartanburg may speak at a regular meeting on any matter pertaining to City Services and operations germane to items within the purview and authority of City Council, except personnel matters, by signing a Citizen's Appearance form prior to the meeting stating the subject and purpose for speaking. No item considered by Council within the past twelve (12) months may be added as an agenda item other than by decision of City Council. The forms may be obtained from the Clerk and maintained by the same. Each person who gives notice may speak at the designated time and will be limited to a two (2) minute presentation.



**City Council Meeting
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5:30 p.m.**

(These minutes to be approved at the October 28, 2024 Council Meeting)

City Council met this date with the following Councilmembers present: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr, Mayor Pro Tem Janie Salley, Councilmembers Jamie Fulmer, Erica Brown, Meghan Smith, Ruth Littlejohn and Rob Rain. City Manager Chris Story, Deputy City Manager Mitch Kennedy, Assistant City Manager Kevin Limehouse and City Attorney Robert Coler 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 September 23, 2024 City Council Meetings**
Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as received.
Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for the October 14, 2024 City Council Meeting -**
Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the minutes as received.
Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.
- V. Public Comment –**
*Citizen Appearance forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk
 - 1. LaRaven Twitty-Spoke regarding the PRIDE parade.**
 - 2. Jason Spencer-Spoke regarding the “Get Out the Vote” Concert**
- VI. Presentation of Proclamation Declaring October 2024 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month**
Presenter: Jerome Rice, Jr., Mayor
Mayor Rice presented the proclamation to members of Project R.E.S.T., the non-profit Organization that provides assistance to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in the Upstate.
- VII. Award of Bid for Delray Drive Drainage Culvert Repair**
Presenter: Jay Squires, Public Works Director
Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the award of bid to HRH Engineering Services
Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

VIII. Resolutions

- A. A Resolution Pursuant to Section 4-1-170(C), Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, Consenting to the Placement of Certain Property within The Corporate Limits of the City of Spartanburg in a Joint Industrial and Business Park of Spartanburg and Cherokee Counties.
Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney
Councilmember Rain recused himself from the vote.
Councilmember Brown made a motion to approve the resolution as presented.
Councilmember Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.
- B. A Resolution Pursuant to Section 4-1-170(C), Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, Consenting to the Placement of Certain Property within The Corporate Limits of the City of Spartanburg in a Joint Industrial and Business Park of Spartanburg and Cherokee Counties.
Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney
Councilmember Rain recused himself from the vote.
Mayor Pro Tem Salley made a motion to approve the resolution as presented.
Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.
- C. A Resolution Certifying One (1) Unit as an Abandoned Building Site Pursuant To the South Carolina Abandoned Building Revitalization Act, Title 12, Chapter 67, Section 12-67-100 et seq., of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976), as Amended, regarding the property located at 305 N. Church Street, City of Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, TMS# 7-12-06-043.00
Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney
Councilmember Littlejohn made a motion to approve the resolution as presented.
Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

IX. Staff Updates

Chris Story along with Mitch Kennedy provided Council with updates regarding the City's response to Hurricane Helene in the City of Spartanburg.

XII. City Council Updates

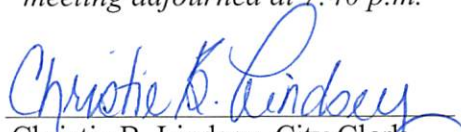
Each Councilmember gave updates on their activities since the previous council meeting.

Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:20p.m.
Councilmember Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

XIII. Executive Session

- A. An Executive Session Pursuant to Section 3-4-70(a)(5) of the South Carolina Code to Discuss Matters Relating to Economic Development "Project New Vision" A Potential Mixed-Income Residential Development near the Downtown Area.
- B. An Executive Session Pursuant to Section 3-4-70(a)(5) of the South Carolina Code to Discuss Matters Relating to Economic Development "Project Core" A Potential Mixed-Use Development near the Downtown Area.

- XII. Adjournment** – *Councilmember Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.*


Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk



REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Chris Story, City Manager

FROM: Kevin Limehouse, Assistant City Manager
Dennis R. Locke, Finance Director

SUBJECT: Purchases – Micro –Transit & Fixed Route

DATE: October 24, 2024

BACKGROUND:

In preparation to implement the Micro-Transit Pilot Program staff is requesting approval to purchase:

1. (3) Ford Transit Chassis Mobilitytrans Conversion Vans
2. (1) Starcraft Allstar Bus which is ADA Compliant to be used on our fixed route system.

SCDOT has given us their approval to use funds which have been appropriated to the City over the past few years. These vehicles have been approved to meet both federal & state guidelines and are ADA compliant. These vehicles are on State Contracts number 4400028705 and 4400027147. The life expectancy of these vehicles is five years.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff is requesting City Council authorize the City Manager to approve the purchase of these vehicles using the State Contracts.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL DATA:

The cost for each vehicle for the micro-transit program is \$114,803 for a total of \$344,803 and the cost of the vehicle to be used for the fixed route system is \$136,467.92

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE
PURCHASE OF VEHICLES FOR THE MICRO-TRANSIT AND FIXED ROUTE PILOT
PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The City of Spartanburg is implementing a pilot program to assess the viability of a micro-transit system to augment the current fixed route bus services to citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City has the need to purchase vehicles that can accommodate numerous passengers and comply with ADA guidelines in order to launch the pilot program; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project furthers the City's goals of economic development, population growth and equitable access to transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
IF THE CITY OF SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA.

Section 1. City Council approves the City Manager to execute any and all documents required to secure the purchase of the vehicles for the pilot transit program. Should the City Manager or City Attorney, or both, determine that any additional document or modification of previously negotiated terms is significant and warrants further action by Council, then the matter shall be presented to Council for further review and further action before the final execution, if Council so chooses.

Section 2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its enactment.

DONE AND RATIFIED this ____ day of _____, 2024.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY.