



**City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 W. Broad Street
Wednesday, April 10, 2023
5:30 p.m.**

City Council met this date with the following Councilmembers present: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr., Mayor pro tem Rob Rain, Councilmembers Erica Brown, Jamie Fulmer, Meghan Smith and Janie Salley. City Manager Chris Story and City Attorney Robert Coler were in attendance. Councilmember Ruth Littlejohn was absent. 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 March 29, 2023 City Council Meeting –**
Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as received.
Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for the April 10, 2023 City Council Meeting -**
Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the agenda as received.
Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.
- V. Public Comment –**
*Citizen Appearance forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk
 - 1. Charles Dauss-Line Dance Instructor-Performed a short dance
 - 2. Sergio Catlla-176 W. Park Drive-Spoke about school shootings
- VI. Recognition of City of Spartanburg Retiree, Margaret Brennan, Recreation Coordinator-Parks and Recreation Department**
Presenter: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr.
Mayor Rice presented Margaret Brennan with an award from the City in recognition of her years of service as a Recreation Coordinator in the Parks and Recreation Department of the City.
- VII. Presentation of Proclamation-Project R.E.S.T. Proclaiming April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month**
Presenter: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr.
Mayor Rice presented Krystal Smith, President of Project R.E.S.T. along with fellow members of the organization with a proclamation declaring April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the City of Spartanburg

VIII. Spartanburg Water-Rehabilitation Projects

Presenter: Guy Boyle, CEO-Spartanburg Water Systems

Mr. Boyle provided Council with an update on the upcoming projects that Spartanburg Water Systems has for the City and County of Spartanburg.

Council received the report as information.

IX. Ordinance

- A. To Provide for the Annexation of the Property Located at 1017 Florida Avenue, As well as That Portion of W. Wood Street, Dakota Street and N. Church Street Abutting said Property in Spartanburg, SC, which is identified as Parcel ID: 7-08-09-086.00, on the Spartanburg County Tax Map, and Further to Assign a Zoning Designation of LOD-PDD, (Limited Office District-Planned Development District) to All Parcels Annexed for Zoning Classification Purposes**

Presenter: Martin Livingston, Jr., Community Development Director

Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to strike this item from the agenda and Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0

- B. To Adopt the 2023 Comprehensive Plan Consistent with the Requirements of South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994**

Presenter: Martin Livingston, Jr.-Community Development Director

Councilmember Smith made a motion to go into a Public Hearing and Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Mayor Rice opened the floor for those in favor of the Plan to speak,

1. Alli Martinson with Upstate Forever spoke in favor of the Comprehensive Plan As presented to Council.
2. Dr. Phillip Stone, Chairman of the Planning Commission, spoke in favor of the Comprehensive Plan as presented to Council.

*Mayor Rice opened the floor for those not in favor of the Plan to speak,
No speakers*

- C. To Adopt the Current Version of the International Building Codes as Published by the South Carolina Building Codes Council and to Amend Chapter 8, Building and Building Regulations, of the Code of Ordinances Of the City of Spartanburg (First Reading)**

Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney

Councilmember Salley made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented to Council, Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

X. Resolution

- A. To Appoint a Commissioner to a Commission Created Pursuant to the Capital Project Sales Tax Act, Title 4, Chapter 10, Article 3 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, As Amended; And to Provide for Other Matters Related Thereto.**

Presenter: Chris Story, City Manager

Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented to Council, Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

- XI. Staff Updates-Chris Story,** City Manager advised Council that at the next meeting Staff would present the new City website to Council.

- XII. City Council Updates-** Each Councilmember gave updates on their activities Since the previous council meeting.

- XIII. Executive Sessions – Councilmember Fulmer** made a motion to adjourn to Executive Sessions at 7:00p.m. for the reasons stated. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

- A. Pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(5) of the South Carolina Code to Discuss Matters Relating to Economic Development “Project Opportunity” a Potential Job Opportunity Program.**

- B. Pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(1) of the South Carolina Code Concerning A Personnel Matter**

Council reconvened to regular session at 7:49 p.m. Mayor Rice stated that discussion was held with no decisions made.

- XIV. Adjournment – Councilmember Smith** made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk