



CITY OF SPARTANBURG
SOUTH CAROLINA

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

City Council Meeting
County Council Chambers
366 N. Church Street
Monday, March 10, 2025
5:30 PM

- I. **Moment of Silence**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Approval of the Minutes of the February 24, 2025 Meeting**
- IV. **Approval of the Agenda of the March 10, 2025 Meeting**
- V. **Public Comment**
Public Comment Forms are available inside Council Chambers on the podium. Please turn in completed form to the City Clerk prior to the meeting
- VI. **Proclamation Declaring March 18, 2025 as The Spartanburg County League of Women Voters Day in the City of Spartanburg**
Presenter: Erica Brown, Mayor Pro Tem
- VII. **Proclamation Declaring April 6, 2025 as Lou Sartor Day in the City of Spartanburg**
Presenter: Janie Salley, Councilmember
- VIII. **Resolution**
 - A. **A Resolution Creating an Honorary Street Name Sign in Honor of Lou Sartor. Resolution # 2025-002**
Presenter: Mitch Kennedy, Deputy City Manager
 - B. **A Resolution Approving the Purchase of Property Located at 207 Norris Street Further Identified as Tax Map Number 7-16-01-185.00. Resolution # 2025-003**
Presenter: Martin Livingston, Community Development Director
 - C. **A Resolution Amending Resolution 12.604.5-01.24.2011 Ratifying and Approving Multi-Jurisdictional Agreements Entered Into By the Spartanburg Police Department with Surrounding Law Enforcement Agencies and Authorizing the City Manager to Approve and Sign Materially Equivalent Agreements Entered Into By the Police Department in the Future. Resolution # 2025-004**
Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney

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- IX. Staff Updates**
Presenter: Chris Story, City Manager
- 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 Hat Trick” a Potential Mixed-Income Residential Development.**
 - B. An Executive Session Pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(2) of the South Carolina Code of Laws to Receive Legal Advice.**
- 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.

A RESOLUTION

CREATING AN HONORARY STREET NAME SIGN IN HONOR OF MRS. LOU SARTOR ON S. FOREST STREET FROM W. HENRY STREET TO W. MAIN STREET IN THE CITY OF SPARTANBURG

WHEREAS, the City Council approved a policy for honorary City Street signs in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City's honorary street sign program is a means to honor individuals who have made significant contributions to the City as determined by City Council;

WHEREAS, this honorary street sign shall not be identified on any official maps prepared or maintained by the City government or County government; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lou Sartor served as the executive director of the Spartanburg Soup Kitchen for nearly 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lou Sartor was a pillar of kindness, generosity and unwavering dedication to Spartanburg; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lou Sartor was loved and respected by all those whose lives she touched; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lou Sartor has been nominated for the City's honorary street sign program by Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr. and Councilmember Janie Salley; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that this honorary street name will be to the benefit of the citizens and the City of Spartanburg.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Mayor and Members of City Council of the City of Spartanburg, South Carolina, in Council assembled:

Section1: An honorary street name sign reading "Lou Sartor Way" will be installed on S. Forest Street at the intersection of W. Henry Street and W. Main Street.

Section 2: This Resolution shall become effective upon the date of enactment.

DONE AND RATIFIED This _____ day of _____, 2025.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney



REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Chris Story, City Manager

FROM: Martin Livingston, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Purchase of Vacant Property located at 207 Norris Street

DATE: March 4, 2025

BACKGROUND:

Rocky Properties LLC, the current owner of the property located at 207 Norris Street (7-16-01-185.00), has expressed interest in selling this parcel of land to the City of Spartanburg. The property is located within the Highland Neighborhood and holds significant potential for future use. At present, there are no specific development plans in place; however, it is intended to be land banked as a strategic component of the Highland Transformation Plan, which aims to revitalize and enhance the area. This initiative seeks to position the property for future residential development opportunities that will contribute to the growth and improvement of the neighborhood.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Resolution to purchase the property from:
Rocky Properties LLC – the owner of property located at 207 Norris Street (7-16-01-185.00)
in the Highland Neighborhood the Highland Neighborhood.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL DATA:

Purchase Price: \$15,800
Funding Account:

A RESOLUTION
APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF
PROPERTY AT 207 NORRIS STREET
(TAX MAP PARCEL NUMBER (7-16-01-185.00))

WHEREAS, the City of Spartanburg (the “City”) continues its interest in supporting redevelopment and reinvestment of neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the owner(s) of the property, Rocky Properties LLC, has agreed to sell the vacant property located at 207 Norris Street, Tax Map Parcel Number 7-16-01-185.00; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that it is in the public interest to purchase the property located at 207 Norris Street, Tax Map Parcel Numbers 7-16-01-185.00, from Rocky Properties LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Mayor and Members of City Council of the City of Spartanburg, South Carolina, in Council assembled:

Section 1. To approve the purchase of the properties as described herein.

Section 2. Rocky Properties LLC shall execute and deliver a deed, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to the City conveying the properties described herein.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective upon the date of enactment.

DONE AND RATIFIED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Jerome Rice Jr., Mayor.

ATTEST:

Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Robert P. Coler, City Attorney



REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Chris Story, City Manager

FROM: Robert Coler, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Law Enforcement Assistance and Support Agreements (formerly known as Mutual Aid Agreements) between Spartanburg Police Department and other law enforcement agencies in the State of South Carolina

DATE: March 7, 2025

BACKGROUND:

State law provides for contractual agreements between and among state, county, municipal, and local law enforcement agencies for the purpose of providing the proper and prudent exercise of public safety features across jurisdictional lines. Oftentimes, these agreements are for the purpose of securing to each other the benefits of mutual aid in the event of natural disaster, disorder, special events, emergency situations and other law enforcement activities. State law further requires that the governing body authorize the City Manager to enter into such agreements. The City will use a standard agreement created by the Municipal Association of South Carolina.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of the attached Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute Law Enforcement Assistance and Support Agreements.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL DATA:

Each party to the agreement generally bears its own cost of providing support to a partnering law enforcement agency, however, the City always has the ability to refuse a request or seek reimbursement for extraordinary costs from the requesting agency.

A RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 12.604.5-01.24.2011
RATIFYING AND APPROVING MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL AGREEMENTS
ENTERED INTO BY THE SPARTANBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH
SURROUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND AUTHORIZING THE
CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE AND SIGN MATERIALLY EQUIVALENT
AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE
FUTURE.

WHEREAS, the City of Spartanburg previously adopted Resolution 12.604.5-01.24.2011 wherein it ratified and approved multi-jurisdictional agreements entered into by the Spartanburg Police Department with surrounding law enforcement agencies and authorized the City Manager to approve and sign materially equivalent agreements entered into by the police department in the future; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the 2016 Legislative Session in Columbia, the legislature adopted Bill No. 222 which amended Chapter 20 of Title 23 of the SC Code of Laws, and while this amendment did not change the law applicable to the process required for the City Police Department to enter into multi-jurisdictional agreements with other law enforcement agencies, it did repeal several code sections which were specifically referenced in Resolution 12.604.5-01.24.2011, thus bringing about the need to amend the Resolution to reference the correct SC Code sections; and

WHEREAS, Section 23-20-30 of the South Carolina Code of Laws specifically authorizes law enforcement agencies to enter into contractual agreements with other law enforcement providers; and

WHEREAS, Section 23-20-40 of the South Carolina Code of Laws sets out required contractual provisions for such contracts between law enforcement providers, and in subparagraph C requires that all such agreements and contracts between law enforcement providers be approved by the governing body of municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the police department for the City of Spartanburg, in recognition of the need to promote public safety through the careful coordination with law enforcement agencies throughout the areas surrounding the City of Spartanburg, will use a law enforcement assistance and support agreement for the process of entering into contractual agreements with law enforcement providers throughout our area which are proper and prudent in the exercise of public safety functions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Mayor and Members of Council of the City of Spartanburg, in Council assembled:

Section 1. That the City Manager or his designee be authorized to approve and execute materially equivalent multi-jurisdictional agreements entered into by the City

of Spartanburg Police Department in the future without the need to obtain Council authorization.

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

DONE AND RATIFIED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Jerome Rice Jr., Mayor.

ATTEST:

Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Robert P. Coler, City Attorney