CITY OF SPARTANBURG
SOUTH CAROLINA

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 W. Broad Street
Monday, May 8, 2023
5:30 PM

I. Moment of Silence

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of the Minutes of the April 24, 2023 Meeting

IV. Approval of the Agenda of the May 8, 2023 Meeting

V. Public Comment
**Citizen Appearance Forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk prior to the start of the meeting.

VI. Recognition of Carver Middle School Student, Amir Harris, for his heroic actions.
Presenter: SPO Trisha Wright, Spartanburg Police Department-SRO Carver Middle School

VII. Consent Agenda

A. Authorizing and Directing the City of Spartanburg to Enter Into An Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to South Carolina Local Revenue Services; To Participate in One or More Local Revenue Service Programs; To Execute and Deliver One or More Participant Program Supplements; and Other Matters Relating Thereto.
Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney

VIII. Resolutions

A. A Resolution of the City of Spartanburg to Authorize the Purchase of the Property Located at Saint John Street bearing Tax Map Parcel Number 7-12-09-254.00
Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney

IX. Declaration of Boards and Commissions Vacancies for 2023
Presenter: Christie Lindsey, City Clerk

X. Presentation FY24 Budget Process Overview
Presenter: Chris Story, City Manager

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XI. Staff Updates

XII. City Council Updates

XIII. Adjournment

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City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 W. Broad Street
Wednesday, April 24, 2023
5:30 p.m.

(These minutes to be approved at the May 8, 2023 Council Meeting)

City Council met this date with the following Councilmembers present: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr., Mayor pro tem Rob Rain, Councilmembers Erica Brown, Jamie Fulmer, Ruth Littlejohn and Janie Salley. City Manager Chris Story and City Attorney Robert Coler were in attendance. Councilmember Meghan Smith 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 April 10, 2023 City Council Meeting –
Mayor Pro Tem Rain *made a motion to approve the minutes as received. Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

IV. Approval of the Agenda for the April 24, 2023 City Council Meeting -
Councilmember Littlejohn *made a motion to approve the agenda as received. Mayor Pro Tem Rain 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. James Jones-Marion Avenue
2. Sergio Catlla-176 W. Park Drive

VI. Recognition of City of Spartanburg Retiree, James Ledlow, Business License Code Enforcement Officer
Presenter: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr.
Mayor Rice presented James Ledlow with an award from the City in recognition of his 41 years of service with the City of Spartanburg.

VII. Presentation of the New City of Spartanburg Website
Presenter: Christopher George, Communications Director
Council *received the report as information.*

VIII. Hospitality Tax Committee Board Vacancy and Recommendation
Presenter: Christie Lindsey, City Clerk
Councilmember Littlejohn *made a motion to approve the recommendation by the Committee of Alexis Whitmire to the board, Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, Which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

IX. Consent Agenda

A. 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
Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney
Mayor Pro Tem Rain *made a motion to approve the ordinance, Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

X. Resolution

A. Allocating Fiscal Year 2023 Community Development Block Grant and Homes Partnership Funds
Presenter: Martin Livingston, Community Development Director
Councilmember Brown *made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented to Council, Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

XI. Ordinance

A. Authorizing and Directing the City of Spartanburg to Enter Into An Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to South Carolina Local Revenue Services; To Participate in One or More Local Revenue Service Programs; To Execute and Deliver One or More Participant Program Supplements; and Other Matters Relating Thereto. (First Reading)
Presenter: Robert P. Coler, City Attorney
Mayor Pro Tem Rain *made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented to Council and Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

XI. Staff Updates-Chris Story, City Manager advised Council that there would be a public Meeting to share 3 proposed designs for Morgan Square on April 25, 2023 from 4:30-6:30 In Morgan Square. May 16, The Fitzgerald ribbon cutting will take place at 10a.m. with a Celebration to follow until 2:00p.m. He reminded everyone that Spring Fling and the PAL Criterium would start this Friday, April 28, 2023.

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 6:36p.m. for the reasons stated. Mayor Pro Tem Rain 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 Wrap" a Mixed Use Downtown Development**

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

Council reconvened to regular session at 7:22 p.m. Mayor Rice *stated that discussion was held with no decisions made.*

XIV. **Adjournment – Mayor Rice** made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Christie B. Lindsey

Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

TO: **Chris Story, City Manager**

FROM: **Robert Coler, City Attorney**

SUBJECT: **Purchase of Property at Saint John St.**

DATE: **May 5, 2023**

BACKGROUND :

The new Spartanburg Police Facility is currently under construction at the corner of N. Forest Street and W. Saint John Street. Currently there are several small parcels behind the Facility that are not owned by the City of Spartanburg. One of those properties being tax map parcel 7-12-09-254.00 belonging to Irvin Keith Comer, Sr. The property owner has approached the City about purchasing the parcel due to its location and possible future use by the Police Department. Based on the prior sales of property surrounding the Facility an offer of $2,500.00 contingent on Council approval was relayed to Mr. Comer. The City feels this is a fair and reasonable offer and if approved by Council, Mr. Comer advised he would accept the amount of $2,500.00.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Council to approve the purchase of Saint John Street-7-12-09-254.00

BUDGET & FINANCIAL DATA:

The final cost to purchase this property is $2500.00. In house legal will draft and file deed and related documents.

A RESOLUTION
TO PURCHASE PROPERTY LOCATED ON SAINT JOHN STREET
BEARING TAX MAP PARCEL 7-12-09-254.00

WHEREAS, the City of Spartanburg (the "City") desires to purchase the property owned by Irvin Keith Comer, Sr. located at Saint John Street, bearing tax map parcel 7-12-09-254.00; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that the acquisition of this property is beneficial as it is located behind the future Spartanburg Police Department and would aid in any future extension or use by the City.

WHEREAS, the City finds it appropriate to authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to purchase this property.

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

Section1: The City Manager is authorized to execute, acknowledge and deliver documents related to the purchase of Saint John Street Property bearing tax map parcel 7-12-09-254.00.

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

DONE AND RATIFIED This _____ day of_____, 2023.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

_____
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney

New Police Department
HUNT ST
CARPENTER ST
STEVENS ST
THOMPSON ST
BLASSINGAME
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