



**City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 W. Broad Street
Wednesday, April 24, 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, 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.

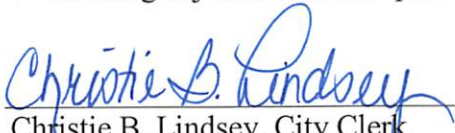
XIII. Executive Sessions – Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to adjourn to Executive Sessions at 6:36p.m. for the reasons stated. Mayor Pro Tem Rain seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

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, City Clerk