



**City Council Meeting
County Council Chambers
366 N. Church Street
Monday, June 9, 2025
5:30p.m.**

(These minutes approved at the June 23, 2025 Council Meeting)

City Council met this date with the following Councilmembers present: Mayor Jerome Rice, Mayor Pro Tem Erica Brown, Councilmembers Meghan Smith, Janie Salley, Jamie Fulmer, and Ruth Littlejohn. City Manager Chris Story, Assistant City Manager Kevin Limehouse, City Attorney Robert Coler, and City Clerk Christie Lindsey were in attendance. Deputy City Manager Mitch Kennedy 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 May 27, 2025 and May 30, 2025 City Council Meetings**
Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the minutes as received.
Councilmember Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for the June 9, 2025 City Council Meeting -**
Councilmember Littlejohn made a motion to approve the agenda as received.
Councilmember Fulmer 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. Liv Hawkins-Spoke regarding a walkability for students study that he had conducted.
- VI. Presentation on Spartanburg's Collective Plan for Behavioral and Mental Health**
Presenter: Lucy Willms-Spartanburg Regional Foundation
Council received presentation as information only.
- VII. Ordinance**
 - A. To Provide for the Adoption of a City Operating Budget, Its Execution and Effect, for the Fiscal Period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026**
(Second Reading) Ordinance # 2025-003
Presenter: Dennis Locke, Finance Director
Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented.
Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

B. To Raise Revenues for the City of Spartanburg for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to Levy Taxes on All Real Estate and Personal Property, Except Such as is Exempted by Law, in the Corporate Limits of the City of Spartanburg for Corporate Purposes for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and to Provide Penalties for the Delinquent Payment of Taxes Levied and Provided For.

(Second Reading) Ordinance # 2025-004

Presenter: Dennis Locke, Finance Director

Mayor Pro Tem Brown made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented.

Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

VIII. Staff Updates

Chris Story thanked the Parks, Recreation and Special Events team for all their hardwork during this busy event season in the City. He also advised Council about the upcoming Southside Cultural Monument unveiling on June 14, 2025 at the Corner of Hudson L. Barksdale Blvd. & S. Converse Street.

IX. City Council Updates

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

Councilmember Smith made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 6:19p.m.

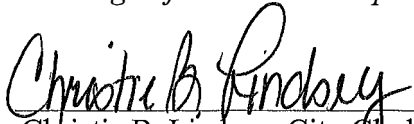
Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

X. Executive Session

A. An Executive Session Pursuant to Section 30-4-70 (a)(5) of the South Carolina Code to Discuss Matters Relating to “Project Midnight Rider” a potential Economic Development Project.

XI. Adjournment – Councilmember Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.


Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk