



**City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 W. Broad Street
Monday, June 26, 2023
5:30 p.m.**

(These minutes approved at the July 10, 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, Meghan Smith and Janie Salley. City Manager Chris Story, Deputy City Manager Mitch Kennedy, Assistant City Manager Kevin Limehouse and City Attorney Robert P. Coler were in attendance. Notice of the meeting was posted with the Media 24 hours in advance according to the Freedom of Information Act.

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I. Moment of Silence - observed

II. Pledge of Allegiance - recited

III. Approval of the Minutes of the June 12, 2023 City Council Meeting –
Councilmember Littlejohn made a motion to approve the minutes as received.
Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

IV. Approval of the Agenda for the June 26, 2023 City Council Meeting -
Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the agenda as received.
Mayor Pro Tem seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

V. Public Comment – None

*Citizen Appearance forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk

1. Jim Yarshen-389 Winsmith Avenue-In favor of development at Old Pepsi Plant

2. Carl Prestipino-240 Mills Avenue-Speeding/Traffic Increase/Oil tankers on Pine Street
Would like to lead a board that meets 6 times a year to discuss these issues.

VI. Proclamation

A. Proclamation declaring June 2023 as “Pride Month” in the City of Spartanburg
Presenter: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr.
*Mayor Rice presented the proclamation to the director of The Uplift Group,
Deb Foreman.*

VII. Live Health Spartanburg Community Updates

Presenter: JaLisa Jordan-SRHS Community Health

Ms. Jordan thanked the City team including, Kim Moultrie, Christopher George and Mitch Kennedy for their assistance in a successful 2023 CHAD Day. She also advised that the 2024 CHAD Day would be held on June 1, 2024.

Council received the report as information.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. To Amend the City of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element, By Amending Section 206, Changes to District Boundaries, Specifically, the Property Located at 808-836 John B. White Sr. Blvd., and is Further Identified as Tax Map ID: 6-21-11-036.00; 6-21-11-037.00; 7-15-11-001.00; 7-15-12-004.00; 7-15-12-006.00; and 7-15-12-007.00 on the Spartanburg County Tax Map, As a Part and Parcel of the City of Spartanburg which is Zone R-12, with a Land Use Designation of General Residential District and Zoned LOD, with a Land Use Description of Limited Office District to be Assigned a Zoning Designation of GID, with a Land Use Designation of General Institutional District and Providing for Severability and an Effective Date. (Second Reading)**

Presenter: Martin Livingston, Community Development Director

Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the consent agenda items A,B & C as presented. Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

- B. To Amend the City of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element, By Amending Section 206, Changes to District Boundaries, Specifically, the Property Located at 131 Oakwood Avenue, and is Further Identified as Tax Map ID: 7-12-08-086.00 on the Spartanburg County Tax Map, As a Part and Parcel of the City of Spartanburg which is Zone R-8, with a Land Use Designation of General Residential District to be Assigned a Zoning Designation of LOD, with a Land Use Designation of Limited Office District and Providing for Severability and an Effective Date. (Second Reading)**

Presenter: Martin Livingston, Community Development Director

Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the consent agenda items A,B & C as presented. Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

- C. To Raise Revenues for the City of Spartanburg for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 to Levy Taxes on All Real Estate and Personal Property, Except Such as Exempted by Law, In Corporate Limits of the City of Spartanburg for Corporate Purposes for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and to Provide Penalties for the Delinquent Payment of Taxes Levied and Provided For. (Second Reading)**

Presenter: Dennis Locke, Finance & Budget Director

Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the consent agenda items A,B & C as presented. Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

IX. Ordinance

- A. Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Development Agreement Between the City of Spartanburg and Bottle Works South, LLC for a Project Located at 729 South Church Street Extension (Second Reading)**

Presenter: Chris Story, City Manager

Councilmember Littlejohn made a motion to approve the ordinance. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 6 to 1, with Councilmember Salley voting in opposition.

B. To Provide for the Adoption of a City Operating Budget, Its Execution and Effect, for Fiscal Period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 (First Reading)

Presenter: Chris Story, City Manager

Councilmember Littlejohn made a motion to approve the ordinance. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

C. To Approve the Lease of City Owned Property Located on E. Saint John Street and To Authorize the City Manager to Execute Documents Related Thereto. (First Reading)

Presenter: Chris Story, City Manager

Councilmember Salley made a motion to approve the ordinance. Councilmember Brown Seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

X. Council Recommendations Related to City Boards and Commissions

Presenter: Christie Lindsey, City Clerk

Council voted on the following appointments:

Airport Advisory Committee-Mayor Pro Tem made a motion to reappoint Charlie Hodge And Chris Pelkey to the Airport Advisory Committee and to appoint Miller Cunningham, Jr. To the Airport Advisory Committee. Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion, which Carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee-Councilmember Brown made a motion to Reappoint Brian Greene, Kristie Smith and Crystal Hendrickson to the Advisory Tax Advisory Committee and to appoint Averie Hopkins to the committee. Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Bicycle Pedestrian Committee-Councilmember Smith made a motion to reappoint Maddi Currier and Jay Pingley to the Bicycle Pedestrian Committee, Councilmember Brown Seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 6 to 1, with Mayor Pro Tem Rain voting in opposition.
Additional applicants for this board to be interviewed by committee comprised of Mayor Rice, Councilmember Salley and Councilmember Smith.

Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals-Councilmember Littlejohn made a Motion to appoint Anthony Minute to the Board, Councilmember Salley seconded the motion Which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Design Review Board-Councilmember Salley made a motion to reappoint Lauren Rogers And to appoint Alexander Newman to the DRB, Councilmember Brown seconded the motion Which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Hospitality Tax Committee-Councilmember Smith made a motion to reappoint Melissa Coy and Kate McMullen to the Hospitality Tax Committee, which was seconded by Councilmember Salley, which carried by a vote of 6 to 1, with Mayor Pro Tem Rain voting in opposition.
Additional applicants for this board to be interviewed by committee comprised of Mayor Rice, Councilmember Salley and Councilmember Smith.

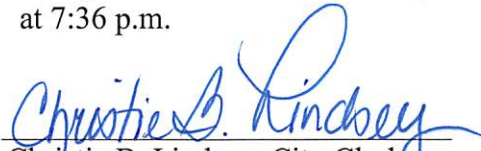
Board of Architectural Design and Historic Review (HARB)-Councilmember Brown Made a motion to reappoint Kenneth Brown and to appoint Tina Wilson, Michael Pittillo And Rod McCants to the HARB Board, Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, Which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Planning Commission-Applicants for this board to be interviewed by committee Comprised of Mayor Rice, Councilmember Salley and Councilmember Smith.

Public Safety Committee-Councilmember Smith made a motion to reappoint Michael Byers to the Public Safety Committee, Councilmember Fulmer seconded the Motion which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Storm Water Appeals Board-no applications received for Council action.

- XI. Staff Updates-Mr. Story** gave a brief update about the new Assistant City Manager Recently hired, Kevin Limehouse. He announced a title change for Assistant City Manager, Mitch Kennedy, to Deputy City Manager. Advised Council about upcoming Events to include Red, White and Boom and Picking in the Park at Barnet park.
- XII. City Council Updates-** Each Councilmember gave updates on their activities since the previous council meeting.
- XIII. Executive Session-Councilmember Smith** made a motion to enter into executive session At 6:36 p.m., Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.
- XI11. Adjournment – Mayor Rice** made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.


Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk