



City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 W. Broad Street
Monday, July 10, 2023
5:30 p.m.

(These minutes approved at the July 24, 2023 Council Meeting)

City Council met this date with the following Councilmembers present: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr, 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. Mayor Pro Tem Rob Rain 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 June 26, 2023 City Council Meeting –
*Councilmember Salley 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 July 10, 2023 City Council Meeting -
*Councilmember Littlejohn made a motion to approve the agenda as received.
Councilmember Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*
- V. Public Comment – None
*Citizen Appearance forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk
- VI. Recognition of City of Spartanburg Retiree, MPO Christopher Roberts, Public Safety Department
Presenter: Mayor Jerome Rice, Jr.
Mayor Rice presented MPO Christopher Roberts with an award in honor of his service and dedication to the City of Spartanburg. Mayor Rice along with fellow Councilmembers shared their congratulations with Christopher on his retirement.
- VII. Consent Agenda
 - A. 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.
Presenter: Chris Story, City Manager
*Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.*

VIII. Public Hearing

- A. Ordinance to Provide for the Annexation of the Property located at 1017 Florida Avenue, as well as that Portion of W. Wood Street, Dakota Street and N. Church Street Abutting said Property in Spartanburg, SC, which is Identified as Parcel ID: 7-08-09-086.00, on the Spartanburg County Tax Map, and Further to Assign a Zoning Designation of R8-PDD, (General Residential-Planned Development District) to All Parcels Annexed For Zoning Classifications Purposes. (First Reading)**

Presenter: Martin Livingston, Community Development Director

Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to enter into a public hearing.

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

Mayor Rice opened the floor for individuals to speak in favor of this ordinance.

1. Bryan De Bruin-Attorney-De Bruin Law Firm spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Mayor Rice opened the floor for individuals to speak in opposition of the ordinance.

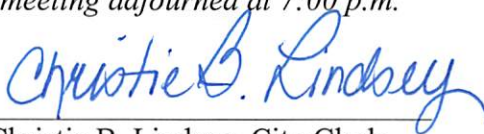
No one spoke in opposition

Councilmember Fulmer made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Councilmember Littlejohn made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented.

Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

- IX. Staff Updates-Mr. Story** gave a brief update advising that the updated draft of the Comprehensive Plan would be online for review. Mr. Story also provided answers and feedback to Councilmember Smith's questions regarding security services in the parking garages.
- X. City Council Updates-** Each Councilmember gave updates on their activities since the previous council meeting.
- XI. Executive Session-Councilmember Fulmer** made a motion to enter into executive session at 6:06 p.m., Councilmember Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.
- X11. Adjournment – Councilmember Brown** made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Salley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Christie B. Lindsey, City Clerk