

# MINUTES GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL

Regular Council Meeting
September 20, 2016
6:16 p.m.
County Square – Council Chambers

# **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Mr. Bob Taylor, Chairman
Mr. Butch Kirven, Vice Chairman
Mr. Joe Dill
Mr. Joe Baldwin
Mr. Willis Meadows
Mr. Sid Cates
Mr. Jim Burns
Mrs. Xanthene Norris
Mrs. Liz Seman
Mrs. Lottie Gibson Absent
Mr. Lynn Ballard
Mr. Fred Payne

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting date, time, place and agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the County Square and made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned Citizens.

# **STAFF PRESENT**

Joe Kernell, County Administrator
Mark Tollison, County Attorney
Jeff Wile, Assistant County Attorney
John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator
Theresa Kizer, Clerk to Council
Regina McCaskill, Deputy Clerk to Council
Jessica Stone, Administrative Assistant, Clerk to Council
Paula Gucker, Assistant County Administrator, Public Works
Eric Vinson, Director, Planning and Code Enforcement
Bob Mihalic, Governmental Relations Officer

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

None

CALL TO ORDER Chairman Bob Taylor

INVOCATION - introduced by Councilor Lynn Ballard

Steven Eudy, Youth Pastor Fork Shoals Baptist Church

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### Item (4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### ACTION:

Councilor Seman moved to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2016, Regular Council Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

### Item (5) PUBLIC HEARINGS

# (a) Caesar's Head Fire Service Area / Millage Request

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding an ordinance to provide for an increase to the millage rate levied by the Caesar's Head Fire Service Area and to authorize the Chairman of County Council and the County Administrator to renew the contract for fire protection and first responder services with Cedar Mountain Fire Rescue, Inc.

There being no speakers, Councilor Burns declared the public hearing closed.

# (b) IVP, LLC / Fee Conversion

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding an ordinance authorizing the conversion of a fee in lieu of ad valorem taxes arrangement under Title 4, Chapter 12, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, between Greenville County and IVP, LLC to a simplified fee in lieu of ad valorem taxes arrangement under Title 12, Chapter 44 Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; the cancellation and termination of a certain lease and associated agreements between the County and the Company; the reconveyance by the County of related property to the Company; and other matters related thereto.

There being no speakers, Councilor Burns declared the public hearing closed.

# (c) Greenville / Laurens Multi County Industrial Business Park Agreement Amendment / Project Rain Boots

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding an ordinance to authorize and approve the amendment of the agreement for development of joint county industrial business park, dated as of August 27, 1993, by and between Laurens County, South Carolina and Greenville County, South Carolina in order to remove certain property from the multi-county industrial park created by such agreement; and to provide for other matters related thereto.

There being no speakers, Councilor Burns declared the public hearing closed.

#### (d) Hospitality Tax Refunding COPs Series 2016

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding an ordinance authorizing Greenville County, South Carolina, to execute documents including a third supplement to lease agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and Greenville County Tourism Public Facilities Corporation; consenting to the issuance of refunding Certificates of Participation in the third supplement to lease agreement in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$10,100,000; approving the form of a third supplement to trust agreement between Greenville County Tourism Public Facilities Corporation and the Trustee named thereunder; authorizing a pledge of and lien on the Hospitality Tax revenues to secure the payment of the lease rentals under the lease agreement; and other matters relating thereto.

There being no speakers, Councilor Burns declared the public hearing closed.

# (e) Boiling Springs Fire Service Area / Millage Request

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding a resolution to provide for the millage rate to be levied by the Boiling Springs Fire District.

There being no speakers, Councilor Burns declared the public hearing closed.

# Item (6) APPEARANCES

 Ed Paxton, 1 York Circle, Greenville – appeared regarding appointments to boards and commissions

# Item (7) CONSENT AGENDA

### (a) Community Project Application / Community Crime Watch Signs

### (b) Community Project Definition

#### ACTION:

Councilor Norris moved approval of the Consent Agenda Items.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# Item (8) RESOLUTIONS

# (a) Project Universe / Inducement Agreement

#### ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved for adoption a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of an inducement agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and Project Universe, whereby, under certain conditions, Greenville County will execute a fee in lieu of tax agreement with respect to a project in the County whereby the project would be subject to payment of certain fees in lieu of taxes; and providing for related matters.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

#### (b) Boiling Springs Fire District / Millage Request

#### ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved for adoption a resolution to provide for the millage rate to be levied by the Boiling Springs Fire District.

Councilor Meadows recused himself from discussion and voting on the item due to a potential conflict of interest.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present with one (Meadows) written abstention and one (Gibson) absent.

# (c) County of Greenville Substance Abuse Policy

#### **ACTION:**

Councilor Kirven moved for adoption a resolution to approve the County of Greenville Substance Abuse Policy.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# Item (9) ORDINANCES – THIRD READING

# (a) Zoning Ordinances

1. **CZ-2016-41:** Property of Terry Blakely, Blakely Family Limited Partnership, located on Furr Road and Emily Lane, requesting rezoning from R-S to R-15.

#### **ACTION:**

Councilor Dill moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Councilor Ballard stated he been contacted by some of the residents in the area. He stated the residents were concerned about the condition of Furr Road. Councilor Ballard stated the developer had agreed to repave 300 feet of Furr Road to Emily Lane, the entrance to the proposed subdivision, in order to alleviate some of the concerns expressed by the current residents.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

2. CZ-2016-49: Property of TCC Venture LLC, Townes at Cardinal Creek HOA and Goldgin Company Inc., located at 225 Smith Hines Road, requesting rezoning from R-12 and PD to R-M9 and PD (Major Change).

Councilor Dill stated the developer has requested the item be held until the next regularly scheduled County Council meeting.

# ACTION:

Councilor Dill moved to hold the item.

Motion to hold carried unanimously by Council Members present.

3. CZ-2016-51: Property of Alfred P. Sellars c/o Nancy Fleming, located at 25 Bell Road, requesting rezoning from R-S to R-20.

#### **ACTION:**

Councilor Dill moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# (b) Amendment to Greenville County Comprehensive Plan for the Taylors Community (CP-2016-02)

#### ACTION:

Councilor Dill moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance to adopt the Taylors Community Plan as an amendment to the Imagine Greenville County Comprehensive Plan.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# (c) Project Vigil / Fee In Lieu of Tax Agreement

#### ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina, a Company known to the County at this time as Project Vigil and sponsor affiliate with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property will be subject to certain payments in lieu of taxes; and other matters related thereto.

#### **ACTION:**

Councilor Kirven moved to hold the item in order for a public hearing to be scheduled.

Motion to hold carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# (d) Anderson / Greenville Multi County Industrial Business Park Agreement Amendment - Project Strike

#### **ACTION:**

Councilor Kirven moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance to amend an agreement for the development of a joint county industrial and business park (2010 Park) of Anderson and Greenville Counties so as to enlarge the park.

#### ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved to hold the item in order for a public hearing to be scheduled.

Motion to hold carried unanimously by Council Members present.

#### (e) Caesar's Head Fire Service Area / Millage Request

# ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance to provide for an increase to the millage rate levied by the Caesar's Head Fire Service Area and to authorize the Chairman of County Council and the County Administrator to renew the contract for fire protection and first responder services with Cedar Mountain Fire Rescue, Inc.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# (f) Boiling Springs Fire District / Conditional Issuance of General Obligation Bonds

#### ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance finding that Boiling Springs Fire District may conditionally issue not exceeding \$2,100,000 General Obligation Bonds; to authorize the Board of Fire Control of Boiling Springs Fire District to issue such bonds and to provide for the publication of notice of the said findings and authorization; and other matters relating thereto.

Councilor Meadows recused himself from discussion and voting on the item due to a potential conflict of interest.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present with one (Meadows) written abstention and one (Gibson) absent.

# (g) IVP, LLC / Fee Conversion

#### ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance authorizing the conversion of a fee in lieu of ad valorem taxes arrangement under Title 4, Chapter 12, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, between Greenville County and IVP, LLC to a simplified fee in lieu of ad valorem taxes arrangement under Title 12, Chapter 44 Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; the cancellation and termination of a certain lease and associated agreements between the County and the Company; the reconveyance by the County of related property to the Company; and other matters related thereto.

Councilor Baldwin asked what precipitated the request.

Mark Tollison stated the request resulted from the recent sale of Perrigo Company to IVP, LLC. The original arrangement required the land to be deeded to Greenville County and then leased back to the company. Mr. Tollison stated the newer simplified fee version did not require the land to be deeded to the County.

Councilor Baldwin asked if the conversion would change the amount of money to be paid by the company.

Mark Tollison stated it would not.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# Item (10) ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

# (a) Greenville / Laurens Multi County Industrial Business Park Agreement Amendment / Project Rain Boots

# ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved for approval at second reading an ordinance to authorize and approve the amendment of the agreement for development of joint county industrial business park, dated as of August 27, 1993, by and between Laurens County, South Carolina and Greenville County, South Carolina in order to remove certain property from the multi-county industrial park created by such agreement; and to provide for other matters related thereto.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

#### (b) CH2M Hill Inc. / Addition of Sponsor Affiliate

#### ACTION:

Councilor Kirven moved for approval at second reading an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of an amended ordinance by Greenville County, so as to include HP Greenville, LLC as sponsor affiliate, amending the Ordinance No. 4732 dated September 15, 2015; and other matters related thereto.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# (c) Hospitality Tax Refunding COPs Series 2016

#### **ACTION:**

Councilor Kirven moved for approval at second reading an ordinance authorizing Greenville County, South Carolina, to execute documents including a third supplement to lease agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and Greenville County Tourism Public Facilities Corporation; consenting to the issuance of refunding Certificates of Participation in the third supplement to lease agreement in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$10,100,000; approving the form of a third supplement to trust agreement between Greenville County Tourism Public Facilities Corporation and the Trustee named thereunder; authorizing a pledge of and lien on the Hospitality Tax revenues to secure the payment of the lease rentals under the lease agreement; and other matters relating thereto.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# (d) Foothills Fire Service Area / Millage Request

#### **ACTION:**

Councilor Kirven moved for approval at second reading an ordinance to provide for the millage rate to be levied by the Foothills Fire Service Area.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# Item (11) ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

# (a) Zoning Ordinances

Councilor Dill presented for first reading **Zoning Dockets CZ-2016-44 and CZ-2016-52** through CZ-2016-56.

Chairman Taylor referred the items to the Planning and Development Committee.

#### (b) Project Universe / Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreement

Councilor Kirven presented for first reading an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and a Company known to the County at this time as Project Universe with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property will be subject to certain payments in lieu of taxes; and other matters related thereto.

Chairman Taylor stated the item would remain on the floor.

#### (c) Repeal of Former Greenville County Alcohol and Drug Policy

Councilor Kirven presented for first reading an ordinance to repeal the Greenville County Alcohol and Drug Policy adopted pursuant to Ordinance No. 3594; and to provide that adoption of future alcohol and drug policies, and any amendment thereto, shall be by resolution.

Chairman Taylor stated the item would remain on the floor.

# Item (12) COMMITTEE REPORTS

# (a) Committee of the Whole

# 1. Board and Commission Appointments

#### ACTION:

On behalf of the Committee, Councilor Kirven moved to elect by acclamation the following:

# a. Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission (1 vacancy)

Patricia Arceneaux (D.21)

# b. **Board of Tax Assessments and Appeals** (6 vacancies)

Alan Mitchell (D.23) Dr. Laurel Shaler (D.22)

# c. Greenville County Redevelopment Authority (5 vacancies)

Amy Dunn-Coleman (D.19) Eugene Gardner (D.20) Jane Kizer (D.24) Walter Moragne (D.23) Kyler Yeomans (D.22)

#### d. Human Relations Commission (6 vacancies)

Brandi Campbell (D19) Angela Huntley (D.28) Avery Martin (D.25)

# e. Thrive Upstate (3 vacancies)

James Baucom (D.24) Paul Hambris (D.22) William Mebane (D.24)

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present.

# Item (13) APPEARANCES – non agenda items

- Johnny Gregory, 3105 Augusta Street, Greenville appeared regarding art school
- Ed Paxton, 1 York Circle, Greenville appeared regarding gross mismanagement
- Jessica Monroe, 150 Fernwood Drive, Greer appeared regarding humanity programs

- Anna Vukin, 1175 Haywood Road, Apt 141, Greenville appeared regarding City View
- Joseph Garrison, 417 Christiane Way, Greenville appeared regarding City View
- Jeannie Simpson, 23 Crestmore Drive, Greenville appeared regarding City View

#### Item (14) ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

No report

# Item (15) REQUESTS AND MOTIONS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Councilor Dill encouraged everyone to join them in picking up trash in Greenville County on October 22nd. If anyone was aware of streets that needed to be picked up, please contact Paula Gucker with the street name.
- Councilor Baldwin remarked about stories regarding Greenville County making it
  into the National news. One in particular concerned him, which had to do with a
  Greenville County school discouraging the display of the American flag because it
  was offensive. He did not see how the American flag could be offensive to anyone
  in Greenville County.
- Councilor Meadows stated on September 29th there would be a meeting at County Square in Suite 5400 regarding Refugee Resettlement. He stated the meeting would begin at 10:00 am.
- Councilor Meadows thanked the Sheriff's Office for closing a night club in Berea. He stated there had been many offenses and arrests associated with the business.
- Chairman Taylor stated staff was preparing for the Oath of Office Ceremony in January. Council Rules state the Oath Ceremony would be on the first Monday in January and the organizational meeting of Council would be on the first Tuesday. He stated it has been brought to his attention that County offices would be closed on the first Monday in January in observance of New Year's Day. Dr. Taylor, without objection, then rescheduled the Oath Ceremony for Monday, January 9th and the organizational meeting for January 10th. He felt this would still give the new Chairman time to make standing committee assignments in order for the committees to meet in January.
- Councilor Norris stated she was proud of Mr. Deso for his commitment to the youth and the community. She stated she would be asking for special community project funds to assist in his endeavor. Ms. Norris stated in regards to the speakers who appeared to talk about City View, those were the unseen people and communities she has been talking about. She thanked Fred Crawford and the Legacy Charter School for being open and willing to always help.
- Councilor Dill inquired about how much Mr. Deso would need to go to Washington.
   Ms. Norris stated he would need \$1,800.

- Councilor Seman stated SCTAC's International Transportation Innovation Center (ITIC), along with co-developers Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America (TEMA), Oak Ridge National Laboratories and Cisco, has been named as a finalist for R&D 100's 2016 R&D 100 Awards for their work on a Wireless Power Transfer Based Electric and Plug-In Vehicle Charging System. The R&D 100 was established 54 years ago as a way for the research and design community to recognize and celebrate the brightest and boldest innovations of the year.
- Councilor Ballard stated in an effort to give the people of City View hope, he and a
  friend passed the site on Staunton Bridge Road where the gymnasium was being
  erected. He was encouraged to see the grading had begun. Mr. Ballard hoped the
  County would be able to help the people in City View a lot quicker than it took to
  help the Staunton Bridge community.
- Councilor Ballard stated he and Mr. Dill went to a ground breaking for the new Piedmont Women's Center on Grove Road. He stated he was impressed to see Congressman Gowdy in attendance even though he was not on the agenda. He stated earlier that day, Generation's Home, in District 26, had their Grand Re-Opening and ribbon-cutting of their original building which they had converted into a new dormitory.

# Item (16) ADJOURNMENT

**ACTION:** Councilor Ballard moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by Council Members present and the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:	
 Theresa B. Kizer, Clerk to Council	-