



**City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 West Broad Street
Spartanburg, SC
Monday, May 12, 2014
5:30 p.m.**

**(These minutes were approved at the
May 27, 2014 City Council meeting.)**

City Council met this date with the following members present: Mayor Junie White, Mayor pro tem Jan Scalisi, Councilmembers Cate Ryba, Erica Brown, Robert Reeder, Jerome Rice, and W. Sterling Anderson were in attendance. City Manager Ed Memmott and City Attorney Cathy McCabe were also in attendance. 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 recorded for a complete transcript.

- I. Moment of Silence - observed**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance - recited**
- III. Approval of the Minutes of the April 28, 2014 City Council Meeting –**
*Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve the minutes as received.
Councilmember Ryba seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 – 0.*
- IV. Approval of Agenda of the May 12, 2014 City Council Meeting –**
Councilmember Reeder made a motion to approve the agenda as received. Mayor pro tem Scalisi seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.
- V. Public Comment –**
*Citizen Appearance forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk
Christina Whiteside, 159 Fremont Avenue, spoke regarding her concerns about her neighbors.
Barbara Jean Kennedy, 194 E. Fremont Avenue, spoke regarding her concerns about activity around her house of which she did not approve, and for which she did not think, after her repeated calls, law enforcement was responding in a timely manner.
- VI. Special Presentation to Police Chief Alonzo Thompson– Proclamation Declaring May 11-17, 2014 as National Police Week in Spartanburg**
Presenter: Mayor Junie White
Mayor White presented the proclamation to Chief Thompson and thanked him for the

service the City's police force provided City businesses and residents.

VII. Public Hearings

- A. **Ordinance 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 Parcel #7-12-13-145.00, located at 579 West Main Street, which is Currently Zoned B-3, with a Land Use Designation of General Business District to Zone LOD, with a Land Use Designation of Limited Office District, from Frances Williams, Owner. The purpose for the request is to permit the owner to continue to use the property as a two-family rental unit, or possible future office use. (First Reading)**

Presenter: Joshua Henderson, Planning Coordinator

Mr. Henderson presented the item to City Council as follows:

“On April 17, 2014, the Planning Commission held a public hearing and reviewed a rezoning request submitted by Ms. Frances Williams, Owner, to rezone parcel 7-12-13-145.00 from Zone B-3/General Business District to LOD/Limited Office District, in order to allow the owner the opportunity to either rent the property as either a two family residential use or market the property as an office space which are both permitted by right under the LOD zoning classification.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposal on April 17, 2014. After consideration of the staff report, public comments, and the criteria set forth in the City of Spartanburg Zoning Ordinance and 2004 City Comprehensive Plan, the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the request to City Council for the rezoning of the parcel from B-3 to LOD.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: The request was unanimously endorsed by the Planning Commission on April 17, 2014. Staff's recommendation concerning this application is explained in detail in the attached staff report to the Planning Commission.”

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing asking if there was anyone to speak in opposition to the proposed rezoning. Hearing no one, he asked if there was anyone to speak in favor of the rezoning. Mrs. Frances Williams, owner of the property, shared with council how her rezoning request came about.

Councilmember Reeder made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Councilmember Ryba seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented on first reading. Mayor pro tem Scalisi seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

- B. **Ordinance 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 Parcel #7-17-15-026.00, Located at 201 Cedar Springs Road, which is Currently Zoned R-15, with a Land Use Designation of Single Family Residential District to Zone LOD, with a Land Use Designation of Limited Office District, from Kim Kauffman, Freeland and Kauffman, Inc. on behalf of Bright-Myers 2001, LLC, on behalf of William S. Myers, Owner. The purpose for the request is to permit the owner to be able to market the property for future commercial redevelopment. (First Reading)**

Presenter: Joshua Henderson, Planning Coordinator

Mr. Henderson presented the item to City Council a follows:

“On April 17, 2014, the Planning Commission held a public hearing and reviewed a rezoning request submitted by Mr. Kim Kauffman, Freeland & Kauffman, Inc., Agent on behalf of Owner and Applicant, William Myers and Matt Sasser, to rezone parcel 7-17-15-026.00 from Zone R-15/Single Family Residential District to B-1/General Business District, in order to permit the owner to be able to market the property for future commercial redevelopment, with the primary purpose being to develop the property as a gas station for the Wal-Mart Neighborhood Grocery Store franchise which is being developed outside the City Limits just to the rear of the property in question (this will not be the typical Wal-Mart prototype; instead it will be the downscaled grocery store). After completion of the entire project, it is likely to be annexed at some point into the City Limits. The use of the property as a gas station is permitted by right under the zoning classification of B-1.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposal on April 17, 2014. After consideration of the staff report, public comments, and the criteria set forth in the City of Spartanburg Zoning Ordinance and 2004 City Comprehensive Plan, the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the request to City Council for the rezoning of the parcel from R-15 to B-1.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: The request was unanimously endorsed by the Planning Commission on April 17, 2014. Staff’s recommendation concerning this application is explained in detail in the attached staff report to the Planning Commission.

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing asking if there was anyone to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposed rezoning.

Hearing none, Councilmember Reeder made a motion to close the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Councilmember Anderson made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented on first reading. Councilmember Ryba seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

VIII. City Council Updates –

Councilmember Rice shared he attended an assembly that morning at Carver Middle School where Congressman Jim Clyburn spoke.

Councilmember Ryba mentioned the great turnout for the SRMC Criterium Bike Race during Spring Fling Weekend. She reminded everyone that May was Bike Month. She shared that Luna Blanc, a pop up picnic, would be held on Saturday, May 17 at an as yet undisclosed location with a cost of \$10.00 per person.

Mayor pro tem Scalisi wished Councilmember Erica Brown a happy birthday. She stated that Spring Fling was great and thanked all involved with the event. She reminded everyone of the Main Street Challenge decisions event on May 22 at 5:30 in the Hub-Bub Showroom. She also gave kudos to Tony McAbee in the Public Services Department for his expeditious handling of two instances of a fallen sign and an open storm drain in her district.

Councilmember Anderson invited everyone to take advantage of the many amenities at USC Upstate.

Councilmember Brown thanked everyone for the birthday wishes. She echoed comments regarding the success of the Criterium and Spring Fling.

Councilmember Reeder shared that Congressman Clyburn would be available for a book

signing the next day at the library. He mentioned that construction had begun on the Forest Park Homes.

IX. Adjournment –

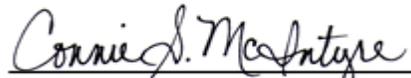
Councilmember Reeder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Ryba seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

**City Council Workshop
City Hall Training Room
145 West Broad Street
Spartanburg, SC
Monday, May 12, 2014
Immediately Following the City Council Meeting**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Hub City Co-op Discussion**
- III. FY14-15 Budget Discussion**
- IV. Adjournment**

Council reconvened in the City Hall Training Room at 6:12 p.m.

Minutes are not transcribed for workshops, however, the workshop discussion was recorded.



Connie S. McIntyre, City Clerk