



**City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 West Broad Street
Monday, October 8, 2012**

**(These minutes were approved at the
October 22, 2012 City Council meeting.)**

City Council met this date with the following members present: Mayor Junie White, Councilmembers Linda Dogan, Jerome Rice, Robert Reeder, Sterling Anderson, and Jan Scalisi. Mayor pro tem Cate Ryba was out of town. 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 Minutes of the September 24, 2012 City Council Meeting -**
Councilmember Dogan made a motion to approve the minutes as received. Councilmember Scalisi seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.
- IV. Approval of Agenda of the October 8, 2012 City Council Meeting –**
Mayor White asked that Jennifer Isabelle and Sharon Bartelt from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society be added after Item V. Public Comment for an update of their organization. Councilmember Dogan made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Councilmember Rice 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

Ms. Isabelle and Ms. Bartelt updated City Council on the activities of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

- VI. Ordinances**
 - A. Ordinance to Amend the City of Spartanburg, South Carolina Zoning Ordinance, by Amending Section 206, Changes to District Boundaries, Specifically Parcels #7-12-02-096.00, 049.00, 048.00, and 079.00; 7-08-14-038.00, 7-12-01-327.00, and 7-12-02-050.00; as well as, Cleaning Up the Zoning of Twelve (12) parcels on #7-12-02-310.00 – Located on Evins Street, Jefferson Street, McDowell Street, Cummings Street (School), North**

**Church Street, Swain Street, Littlejohn Court, Edgewood Avenue, Simmons Alley, and Charlevoix Street which are Currently Zoned R-6 (General Residential District), B-3(General Business District), LOD (Limited Office District), R-8 (General Residential District), and B-1 (Neighborhood Shopping District) to Zone GID (General Institutional District). Woody Willard, Willard, Inc., on Behalf of Jason H. Burr, Associate Vice President of Facilities & Capital Projects, Wofford College, Owner (First Reading)
Presenter: Joshua T. Henderson, Planning Coordinator**

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

“The Applicant and Landowner, Wofford College, has grown its campus through various acquisitions over many years and is now proposing a set of rezonings to ensure that the entirety of its contiguous campus carries the appropriate GID (General Institutional District) classification. This action is primarily a housekeeping clarification and it is not related to any anticipated physical changes in the area.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposal on September 20, 2012. 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.

The request was unanimously endorsed by the Planning Commission on September 20, 2012.”

Councilmember Dogan made a motion to approve the rezoning as requested on first reading. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

- B. To Amend Chapter 8, Garbage and Trash, to Reflect Current Language by Replacing the Word “Sanitation” with the Words “Solid Waste,” by Replacing the Words “Self-Loading Equipment,” and “Garbage Containers” with the Words “Bulk Containers,; and to Make Other Changes to Reflect Current Practices (First Reading)**

Presenter: Ed Memmott, City Manager

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

“Staff is recommending approval of an Ordinance that would make largely “housekeeping” changes to the City Code for collection of garbage and trash. If approved, the amendment will correct references to certain positions and titles of city personnel, correct references to the types of equipment used, and remove references to twice weekly collection for commercial locations.

The amendment would eliminate collection of electronic devices. Under state regulations, electronic devices such as televisions and computers must be recycled.

At this time, staff is not recommending changes to establish smaller green waste load limits, eliminate collection of grass clippings (which contaminate green waste loads for mulch recycling; requiring the waste to be buried in the landfill, or requires our crews to segregate grass clippings from other green waste), or to eliminate limits on collection of land clearing debris which can include large

roots, root balls, and stumps. Staff intends to provide additional information and refine earlier recommendations to Council on these matters and recommend additional changes soon.

Staff is requesting first reading approval of proposed Ordinance.”

Councilmember Dogan made a motion to approve the ordinance as requested on first reading. Councilmember Anderson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

VII. Resolution and Declaration

A. Directing the Abandonment of Streets and Portions of Streets in the City of Spartanburg, Being Portion of Evins Street, Portion of Cummings Street, Portion of Jefferson Street, Portion of Littlejohn Court, Hunting Street, Brooks Street, Scott Street, Unnamed/Unopened Alley, and Portion of Twitty Street

Presenter: Joshua T. Henderson, Planning Coordinator

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

“Over many years, Wofford College has expanded the campus of the college to the north with facilities now on both sides of Evins and Cummings Street. The College and Expo of South Carolina LLC, another landowner in the area, are now requesting that some public streets in the area (as illustrated on the attached) be abandoned.

Although the large majority of the traffic in the affected area is generated by the college, in an effort to protect the interests of the remaining non-college residents of the area, the request has been structured to ensure that public roadway access is maintained to all properties.

When a public roadway is formally abandoned the former public right-of-way becomes the property of the adjacent landowners. Aside from ensuring that emergency response vehicles have necessary access, the college would have the right to close these roadways to non-college traffic or physically alter as they prefer.

A Public Notice concerning this request appeared in the Spartanburg Herald-Journal on September 23, 2012. Letters to all property owners within 425 feet of the proposed streets and portions of streets were sent on September 24, 2012.

The City’s engineering, public works, and public safety departments have reviewed the request and none have expressed objections. Spartanburg Water raised questions of a technical nature which Wofford is currently working to resolve. (If they are not resolved prior to the City Council meeting, we will recommend this action be tabled.)

Staff recommends City Council approval of the Abandonment of Portion of Evins Street, Portion of Cummings Street, Portion of Jefferson Street, Portion of Littlejohn Court, Hunting Street, Brooks Street, Scott Street, Unnamed/Unopened Alley, and Portion of Twitty Street (Wofford College and Expo of South Carolina, LLC, (Owner) by Resolution.”

Councilmember Dogan made a motion to approve the resolution and declaration as presented. Councilmember Anderson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. To Authorize the City Manager to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Spartanburg Housing Authority for Development of Housing on Brawley Street and to Authorize the City to Transfer Three Parcels on Brawley Street, Specifically Parcel 7-12-05-198.00 (538 Brawley), Parcel 7-12-05-202.00 (510 Brawley), and Parcel 7-12-05-203.00 (502 Brawley) to the Spartanburg Housing Authority (Second Reading)**
Presenter: Mitch Kennedy, Community Services Director
Councilmember Dogan made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented on second reading. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

IX. City Council Updates

Councilmember Scalisi thanked everyone for a very successful International Festival.

Councilmember Reeder also thanked staff and all involved in the International Festival for a great time at the event.

Councilmember Dogan stated that she too enjoyed the International Festival and thanked everyone who helped with the event. She also reminded everyone that the Piedmont Interstate Fair was going on at the Spartanburg Fairgrounds.

Councilmember Rice also expressed thanks to all involved with the successful International Festival.

Mr. Memmott reminded Council that the October 22 meeting would be held at the Spartanburg County Council Chambers. He shared that on October 25 there would be a meeting to discuss the process of educating the community regarding the upcoming capping of the Arkwright Dump and what they could expect to see happening after that. He also stated that there would be a community event regarding the closing of the dump in the near future.

Mayor White thanked staff for their hard work involving all that was going on in the City.

- X. Adjournment – Councilmember Reeder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Scalisi seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 6 to 0 and the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.**



Connie S. McIntyre, City Clerk