



**City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 West Broad Street
Spartanburg, SC
Monday, July 28, 2014
5:30 p.m.**

- I. Moment of Silence - observed**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance - recited**
- III. Approval of the Minutes of the July 14, 2014 City Council Meeting –**
*Mayor pro tem Scalisi made a motion to approve the minutes as received.
Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*
- IV. Approval of Agenda of the July 28, 2014 City Council Meeting –**
*Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve the agenda as received.
Councilmember Brown 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
- VI. Special Presentation – Proclamation for National Night Out**
Presenter: Mayor Junie White
Mayor White read the proclamation and presented copies to several neighborhood associations represented.
- VII. Special Presentation – Police Department Uniforms**
Presenter: Colonel Jennifer Kindall
Colonel Kindall presented the new patch and had two officers dressed in the new uniforms that the Police Department will be wearing.
- VIII. Other Business**
 - A. Award of Bid for Cameron Drive Culvert Improvement Project**
Presenter: Jay Squires, Storm Water Manager
Mr. Squires presented the item to City Council as follows:
“Staff received bids for the replacement of a culvert under Cameron Drive. This project consists of removal and replacement of approximately 140 feet of storm

drainage pipe from under Cameron Drive, between Sycamore Court and Juniper Court.

The following bids were submitted:

Martin & Son Contracting, Inc. (Spartanburg, S.C.)	\$126,837.00
Larry Green Grading, Inc. (Lyman, S.C.)	\$139,474.60

Staff has reviewed the bids and the qualifications for each of these contractors. Based on that review, staff has determined that, Martin & Son Contracting, Inc. is the responsive low bidder. No bids were submitted from MWBE certified contractors. It is anticipated that it will take 45 days (depending on weather) to complete this project. Staff will give neighborhood residents advance notice using door hangers and mailers. A portion of Cameron Drive will be closed during construction for safety reasons. A detour route will be in place for convenience while the segment of road is closed.

ACTION REQUESTED: Allow staff to accept the bid from Martin & Son Contracting, Inc. and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with, Martin & Son Contracting, Inc. or the completion of the project.

BUDGET AND FINANCE DATA: \$ 126,837 from the Storm Water Utility fund will be used to complete the project.”

Councilmember Ryba made a motion to award the bid as requested to Martin & Son Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$126,837. Councilmember Reeder seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

B. Parking Agreement – Pediatric Clinic in Broadwalk Building

Presenter: Ed Memmott, City Manager

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

“Johnson Development has reached an agreement with Greenville Health System to develop a pediatric clinic in the Broadwalk Building in downtown Spartanburg. This clinic will accept patients receiving Medicaid benefits.

To facilitate this project, Johnson Development has asked that the City provide 30 parking spaces in Kennedy Street Garage for clinic patient parking at no charge to clinic patients.

Given the community benefit of this project, I am requesting Council authorization to make available the requested parking at no charge to the patients. These parking spaces would only be available for parent-patient parking only. Parking for clinic employees would be available at the public rate of \$14.50 per month. The City would retain the option to reduce the number of reserved patient parking spaces should there be insufficient utilization of the spaces assigned.

ACTION REQUESTED: Authorization for staff to make available 30 parking spaces in the Kennedy Street Garage for clinic patient parking in the Kennedy Street Garage at no charge.

BUDGET AND FINANCE DATA: The Kennedy Street Garage has significant unused capacity. The provision of the parking proposed would let the City assist in bringing a much needed resource to the Spartanburg Community.”

After discussion, Councilmember Anderson made a motion to approve the request as presented. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

C. CC Woodson Playground Partnership

Presenter: Mitch Kennedy, Community Services Director

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

“The City of Spartanburg’s Parks and Recreation Department has been presented with a unique partnership opportunity with Select Health of South Carolina to build a new playground at C.C. Woodson Community Center. Select Health is the oldest and largest private administrator of Medicaid in South Carolina, and is part of the AmeriHealth Caritas Family of Companies, a national leader in health care solutions for the underserved. AmeriHealth, as part of its corporate mission, periodically funds community health initiatives. The C.C. Woodson site was selected from a long list of potential sites in the Upstate. The Site Selection Committee was impressed with the programming at C.C. Woodson, and the City’s commitment to parks and recreation, as evidenced by the work on the athletic field and additional parking. Representatives from The Marcus Lattimore Foundation participated in the site selection.

The terms of the partnership include: 1) The City would be responsible for all site preparation and construction of walks/paths/retaining wall to make the playground fully accessible (Staff estimates these cost at \$25,000). 2) Select Health and the City would host a community input meeting for the youth to participate in design of the playground. 3) Select Health would purchase and install the new playground (estimates on cost to purchase/install: \$60,000 - \$80,000).4) The playground would be installed to the rear of CC Woodson building near the pool.

Staff has identified funds within our current Park Improvement Capital Budget to cover the cost of the site improvements (\$25,000).

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve the use of \$25,000 in park improvement funds for the site improvements at the Proposed C.C. Woodson Playground

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL DATA: Neighborhood Park Improvement Capital Project GP1270.”

Mr. Kennedy introduced Mike Saia, Media Relations Specialist with Select Health of South Carolina and Steve Sendzik, Playground Consultant, AmeriHealth Caritas Partnerships. They reviewed the playground partnership plans with City Council. They shared that “Build Day” would take place on November 21 from 7:30 – 2:30, and invited everyone to come and take part in the event.

***Councilmember Reeder** made a motion to approve the use of \$25,000 park improvement funds for the site improvement at the proposed CC Woodson playground. Councilmember Ryba seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*

D. Approval of Applicants for Boards and Commissions – Airport Advisory Committee, SADAC, Zoning Board

Presenter: Connie McIntyre, City Clerk

Council took the following actions:

***Councilmember Reeder** made a motion to waive the rules and appoint Hamp Lindsey to the Airport Advisory Council. Mayor pro tem Scalisi seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*

Councilmember Reeder made a motion to waive the rules and appoint Dr. Jean P. Blackley to the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Mayor pro tem Scalisi made a motion to waive the rules and appoint Don N. Bramlett to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

E. Introduction of New Mobile App

Presenter: Will Rothschild, Communications and Marketing Manager

Mr. Rothschild updated council on a new mobile app that will provide citizens with a new platform to communicate with the City. The following information can be found by visiting the City’s website, clicking on Communications and Marketing, then clicking on City News Page. Scroll down until you see the information below:

“City introduces 'HeySpartanburg!' citizen request mobile app
Monday, July 28

New app will allow citizens and City officials to communicate directly about service issues, problems, requests

City of Spartanburg citizens have a new, free, easy-to-use digital product they can use to report issues and ask for help. HeySpartanburg! is now available via the City’s website (click here) or through the iTunes and Android stores for your mobile devices.

The new mobile app will allow bring city services to the fingertips of citizens, allowing them to request services, such as a large greenwaste pickup, or to report problems or other issues such as potholes, damaged sidewalks, street light or traffic light outages, and downed trees. The requests are automatically routed to the appropriate City official. In turn, City officials will be able to use HeySpartanburg! to communicate with citizens, updating them on the status of the response to their inquiry or to ask for more information or clarification on the problem or request. The City will also be able to utilize HeySpartanburg! to send push notifications to citizens about important issues or share information in emergency situations.

“We are pleased to offer this new tool to the public,” City Communications Manager Will Rothschild said. “It will complement our mobile-friendly website, and will build on the efforts we have made over the past several years to become more accessible, responsive, and efficient. The capabilities we will have with this mobile app are tremendous. In the case of the recent train derailment near Daniel Morgan Avenue, we could have used HeySpartanburg! to first alert citizens of the incident and then keep them updated about road closures and reopenings.”

HeySpartanburg! also allows citizens to attach photos of the issue they are reporting and see what other requests or inquiries have been submitted. Service requests can also be shared on Facebook and twitter, keeping the process transparent to everyone. HeySpartanburg! also will provide links from its main page to essential “on-the-go” information about the downtown parking and garages, and solid waste, recycling and green waste collection maps, schedules and updates.

HeySpartanburg! is built on the award-winning mobile platform developed by PublicStuff. While more than 200 cities and organizations nationwide are using PublicStuff technology to become more accessible to their citizens and stakeholders, Spartanburg is the first city in South Carolina to partner with PublicStuff.

Follow the links below to download HeySpartanburg! for your device.



Council received the report as information.

IX. City Council Updates

Mayor pro tem Scalisi commended the Convention and Visitors Bureau and the City’s Special Events department for the success of the Hubapalooza event held the previous week. She also mentioned the opening of Panthers Training Camp, thanked the organization for 20 years in Spartanburg, and shared the hope for 50,000 visitors by the end of camp.

Councilmember Anderson shared he was glad to be back. He thanked the Parks and Recreation staff for their work on the approval of the agreement with St. Matthews Church in his district.

Councilmember Rice thanked Select Health and the Marcus Lattimore Foundation for their partnership for the playground improvements at CC Woodson.

Councilmember Ryba also thanked Select Health for the playground partnership at CC Woodson. She shared that Hub-Bub had put out a call for all things related to cats for an upcoming art show. She stated the deadline for the items was August 16.

Councilmember Brown thanked Select Health for the CC Woodson playground partnership. She mentioned the Chapman Cultural Center “Cultural Counts” mapping project on July 31.

Councilmember Reeder thanked Select Health for the CC Woodson playground partnership. He mentioned that he was just back from an NLC trip to St. Paul, MN for an economic development summit. He mentioned that he was the only person from SC on the board, and that Economic Development Director, Patty Bock was complimented by many on the board who knew her and her work. He thanked Ed Memmott and Will Rothschild for the PowerPoint he took with him to showcase the good things happening in our City. He shared that a group from Texas would be visiting soon to observe economic development projects happening in the City.

- X. Adjournment – Mayor pro tem Scalisi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.**



Connie S. McIntyre, City Clerk