



**City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
145 West Broad Street
Spartanburg, SC
Monday, July 8, 2013**

**(These minutes were approved at the
July 22, 2013, City Council meeting.)**

City Council met this date with the following members present: Mayor Junie White, Councilmembers Linda Dogan, Cate Ryba, W. Sterling Anderson II, Robert Reeder, and Jan Scalisi. Mayor pro tem Jerome Rice was on vacation. 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 June 24, 2013 City Council Meeting –**
Councilmember Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes as received. Councilmember Scalisi seconded the motion, which carried 6 to 0.
- IV. Approval of Agenda of the July 8, 2013 City Council Meeting –**
Councilmember Dogan made a motion to approve the agenda as received. Councilmember Reeder seconded the motion, which carried 6 to 0.
- V. Public Comment - None**
*Citizen Appearance forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk
- VI. Ordinance**
 - A. Accepting the Property Owned by Steven R. Thompson, and Being Located at 149 Phifer Drive, and that Portion of Phifer Drive Abutting Said Property, as a Part and Parcel of the City of Spartanburg and Declaring Said Property Annexed to and a Part and Parcel of the City of Spartanburg, Said Parcel to be Zoned R-6, General Residential Upon Annexation. Designating the Same Property as a Part and Parcel of the Beaumont Village Local Historic District Upon Annexation (First Reading)**
Presenter: Joshua T. Henderson, Planning Coordinator
Mr. Henderson presented the item to City Council as follows:

“Staff received a request from Steven R. Thompson, owner of 149 Phifer Drive for annexation of the property into the City of Spartanburg. This parcel is located in Beaumont Village and is contiguous to properties already located in the City of Spartanburg’s Beaumont Village Local Historic District. Since the parcel is contiguous to the City limits the property owner has submitted an annexation petition under the 100 percent Petition and Ordinance method. The parcel will also become a part of the Historic District.

Since the zoning designation for the contiguous parcels is R-6, General Residential; Staff is requesting Council to designate the parcel as R-6.

Staff recommends that the City Council take the following actions:

- a) Approve the annexation of 149 Phifer Drive (TMS7-08-16-020.00).
- b) Designate the zoning for this property as R-6 (General Residential) upon annexation.
- c) Designate the annexed property as a part and parcel of the Beaumont Village Local Historic District.

BUDGET AND FINANCE DATA: The parcel will generate property tax after annexation. Additional service costs will be minimal.”

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

VII. Resolution

A. **Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Quit Claim Deed for a Small Portion of Excess Right-of-Way Located on the Southwest Corner of the Magnolia Street and Saint John Street Intersection**

Presenter: Ed Memmott, City Manager

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

“The building and property located at 156 Magnolia Street was recently sold to Spring and Magnolia, LLC. The Subway restaurant is located on the first floor of this building. While it is expected that the Subway will remain as a tenant at this location, the second floor is being remodeled and will be leased to Pure Barre. Pure Barre is a personal fitness business that utilizes the ballet barre method of physical training. Pure Barre operates a network of 100 franchise locations in 29 states. Pure Barre corporate headquarters is located in the One Morgan Square Building. The second floor of the Magnolia Street building will serve as a training facility for Pure Barre. Staff believes the development of this “store front” corporate studio is a very positive occurrence for downtown.

In consultation with representatives of Pure Barre, staff has determined that the City may have a limited right-of-way interest in a small section of property located on the southwest corner of the Saint John Street and Magnolia Street intersection. In researching this matter, staff believes that this land is a remnant parcel dating back to the widening of Saint John Street and abandonment of a street identified as Wofford Street on old plats. The property has been used as private parking for years for the building located at 156 Magnolia Street. The area of land is identified on the attachment.

Given this positive downtown development with Pure Barre, staff believes it is an opportune time to “clean-up” any ownership issues associated with this strip of property and remove any liability and maintenance obligations for the City. Staff is recommending that the City relinquish any ownership interest it may have in this parcel.

Staff is requesting approval of a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign a quitclaim deed for the property.”

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

VIII. Other Business

A. Discussion of Various Downtown Street Enhancement Projects

Presenters: Ed Memmott, City Manager

Chris Story, Assistant City Manager

Mr. Memmott and Mr. Story presented the following list of Tax Increment Financing Physical Improvements Identified in the Downtown Master Plan. They stated that they were not seeking action at that time, but wanted to brief Council on the various options with the intent of developing a specific schedule of improvements in the near future:

- Streetscaping Daniel Morgan Avenue
- Streetscaping Converse Street
- Streetscaping Magnolia Street
- Streetscaping and repairing Wall Street
- Pedestrian Crossing Improvements to St. John Street at George
- Converting Dunbar Street (Church to Converse) to two-way traffic
- Streetscaping E. Main (Church to Converse) to remove chicanes
- Enhancements to Denny’s Plaza (e.g. active water feature)
- Enhancement to Morgan Square (e.g. pavilion and seating)
- Other public space enhancements including additional public art

Council received the report as information for future discussion.

B. Boards and Commissions

Presenter: Connie McIntyre, City Clerk

Ms. McIntyre presented the item to City Council as follows:

“City Council annually reviews term expirations of individuals who are appointed by Council to serve on City of Spartanburg Boards and Commissions.

Staff requests that City Council review the applicants below and consider appointment and/or reappointment:

Board of Architectural Design and Historic Review (HARB)

Michael Chewning is willing to serve another term

Dr. Phillip Stone is willing to serve another term

Councilmember Dogan made a motion to waive the rules and reappoint Michael Chewning and Dr. Phillip Stone to a second term on the Architectural Design and Historic Review Board. Councilmember Scalisi seconded the motion, which carried 6 to 0.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

Monique Watson is willing to serve another term

Councilmember Dogan made a motion to waive the rules and reappoint Monique Watson to a second term on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee. Councilmember Ryba seconded the motion, which carried 6 to 0.

Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals

Bobby L. Black is willing to serve another term

Royce Camp is willing to serve another term

Joseph L. Crissinger is willing to serve another term

Paul Desmond is willing to serve another term

Councilmember Dogan made a motion to waive the rules and reappoint Bobby L. Black, Royce Camp, Joseph L. Crissinger, and Paul Desmond to a second term on the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals. Councilmember Scalisi seconded the motion, which carried 6 to 0.

Public Safety

James Chambers III (application attached)

Councilmember Reeder made a motion to waive the rules and appoint James Chambers III to the Public Safety Committee. Councilmember Dogan seconded the motion, which carried 6 to 0.

Ms. McIntyre stated that there were two additional vacancies and someone was needed from the north side.

Planning Commission

Due to multiple applicants interviews will be scheduled in the next week.

Ms. McIntyre stated that interviews would be scheduled with the applicants with the committee of Mayor pro tem Rice and Councilmembers Scalisi and Anderson.

Ms. McIntyre also declared a vacancy on the Design Review Board since Ms. Singleton has moved to Atlanta.

She also mentioned that no applications had been received for the two openings on the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

IX. City Council Updates

Councilmember Anderson shared that he had a good 4th of July with family out of town.

Councilmember Reeder shared that Red White and Boom went very well, even in the rain, with a great crowd attending. He thanked city staff for their hard work.

Councilmember Scalisi shared that she attended her first meeting as a member of the Appalachian Council of Governments Council on Aging. She stated that among the many services provided was a free resource of answers to questions concerning Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security and other issues of seniors.

She also mentioned that in the past year and a half she had noticed more traffic on the east side of town in her district due to two Urgent Care Facilities opening, a big expansion and relocation of The Fresh Market, Pure Barre, two new gyms with a third coming, and a new restaurant on East Main Street. She shared that she was proud of the activity taking place in her district.

Councilmember Dogan shared that on June 25, Certus Bank had made an investment in the Northside Initiative Project with a commitment of not only financial support, but also a commitment of time to the initiative.

City Clerk McIntyre reminded everyone that the July 22 City Council meeting would be

held at 4:30 in Council Chambers with a Retirement Reception for Public Safety Director Tony Fisher following from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Barrett Room at the Public Library.

X. Adjournment –

Councilmember Reeder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Ryba seconded the motion, which carried 6 to 0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Connie S. McIntyre", is written over a horizontal line.

Connie S. McIntyre, City Clerk