



**City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers  
145 West Broad Street  
Spartanburg, SC  
Monday, September 26, 2016  
5:30 p.m.**

**(These minutes were approved at the  
October 10, 2016 City Council meeting.)**

**City Council met this date with the following members present: Mayor pro tem Sterling Anderson, Councilmembers Jerome Rice, Erica Brown, Laura Stille and Rosalyn Henderson Myers. Mayor White was out of town and Councilmember Jan Scalisi was absent due to illness. City Manager Ed Memmott and former City Attorney Spencer King, filling in for City Attorney Cathy McCabe, who was on vacation, 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 September 12, 2016, City Council Meeting –**  
*Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve the minutes as received.*  
*Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 5 to 0.*

**IV. Approval of Agenda of the September 26, 2016 City Council Meeting –**  
*Councilmember Henderson Myers made a motion to approve the agenda as received. Councilmember Stille seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 5 to 0.*

**V. Public Comment**

\*Citizen Appearance forms are available at the door and should be submitted to the City Clerk **Carl Prestipino, 240 Mills Avenue**, spoke complaining about the paving process on his street.

**Carolyn Reid Smith, with the local NAACP**, asked Council to cease charging a rental property registration fee for African Americans. (It should be noted that the City does not charge a rental property registration fee for anyone.)

**Tony Sutton, 102 Cemetery St.**, expressed concerns about the rental property registration fee.

**Louis Settle, 480 Sloan St., Beaumont Neighborhood**, spoke in favor of a rental property registration for all rental property.

**VI. Recognition of City Retirees MPO Tony Horton and MPO Charles Tillotson**  
**Presenter: Mayor pro tem Sterling Anderson**  
*Mayor pro tem Anderson read a summary of each of the retiree’s accomplishments with the City during their years of employment and congratulated them on their retirement.*

**VII. Presentation of National Night Out Proclamation to Neighborhood Representatives**  
**Presenter: Mayor pro tem Sterling Anderson**  
*Mayor pro tem Anderson presented “National Night Out” proclamations to twenty two neighborhood association representatives.*

**VIII. Ordinance**

**A. Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Deed to Spartanburg Housing Authority Conveying Property Located at 581 Vernon Street, Block Map Number 7-12-01-140.03; and 589 Vernon Street, Block Map Number 7-12-01-140.01 (First Reading)**

**Presenter: Martin Livingston, Neighborhood Services Director**

**Mr. Livingston** presented the item to Council as follows:

“As part of the Northside Transformation Plan, the City of Spartanburg has in certain instances partnered with non-profit developers to build affordable housing in the community. The Spartanburg Housing Authority is requesting the donation of two city owned lots on Vernon Street for a unique partnership that provides job training for young people and affordable housing. Habitat for Humanity of Spartanburg will build two single-family homes on Vernon Street for eligible families. The construction process will employ YouthBuild participants in the construction process providing job training and construction skills. YouthBuild is construction training program that focuses on GED/High School Diploma preparation. Community service and leadership training is provided for adults ages 18-24, while providing opportunities to prepare young adults for the working profession.

| Property Address  | Tax Map Number | Property Type | Sale Amount |
|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| 581 Vernon Street | 7-12-01-140.03 | Vacant Lot    | 5.00        |
| 589 Vernon Street | 7-12-01-140.01 | Vacant Lot    | 5.00        |

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Approval of an Ordinance conveying the property at 581 Vernon Street and 589 Vernon Street to the Spartanburg Housing Authority for the YouthBuild and Spartanburg Habitat development.

**BUDGET AND FINANCIAL DATA:** Donation of property.”

***Councilmember Brown** made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented on first reading. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 5 to 0.*

**IX. Resolution**

**A. Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Survey Agreement**

**Presenter: Martin Livingston, Neighborhood Services Director**

Mr. Livingston presented the item to Council as follows:

“In an effort to assist the Spartanburg Housing Authority with the demolition of the vacant Cammie Clagett Public Housing Units, the City and non-profit partners will be implementing a process using Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP) funds to purchase and demolish the property. As part of the process, the City and the Spartanburg Housing Authority will need to subdivide the property by individual parcels in order to qualify for the program. The survey of the property will involve 110 vacant units. The City was allocated an additional \$1.6 million in NIP funds to acquire and demolish approximately 58 units. The other 52 units will be demolished as part of the existing NIP grant or additional funds will be requested from the funder, the South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority.

City staff bid the survey work and 3 bids were received. The cost of the survey work will be \$63,000. All American Engineering Consultants was the most responsive bidder. No MWBE contractors submitted bids.

| <b>Vendor</b>                    | <b>City</b> | <b>State</b> | <b>Price</b> | <b>MWBE</b> |          |
|----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| Lavender, Smith & Assoc.         | Spartanburg | SC           | 17,000.00    |             | Line 1-7 |
| Engineered Resources LLC         | Augusta     | GA           | 42,065.00    |             | Line 1-7 |
| American Engineering Consultants | Cayce       | SC           | 63,000.00    |             | Line 1-8 |

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Staff is requesting approval to allow the City Manager to execute an agreement with All American Engineering Consultants to survey the Cammie Clagett sites.

**BUDGET AND FINANCIAL DATA:** Reimbursement would be received from the Spartanburg Housing Authority in the amount of \$63,000.00.”

*Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve the resolution as requested.*

*Councilmember Henderson Myers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 5 to 0.*

**X. Consent Agenda**

**A. Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Deed to Northside Development Group Conveying Property Located at 438 Mill Street, Block Map Number 7-12-05-336.00; 446 Mill Street, Block Map Number 7-12-05-335.00; and 464 Mill Street, Block Map Number 7-12-05-332.00 (Second Reading)**

**Presenter: Martin Livingston, Neighborhood Services Director**

**B. Consideration of an Ordinance Authorizing the Condemnation of Tax Map Parcel 7-12-05-345.00 Needed for The Butterfly Creek Daylighting and Park Projects (Second Reading)**

**Presenter: Ed Memmott, City Manager**

*Councilmember Brown made a motion to approve the consent agenda as received on second reading. Councilmember Henderson Myers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 5 to 0.*

**XI. Other Business**

**A. Declaration of Vacancy on the Housing Authority Board**

**Presenter: Connie McIntyre, City Clerk**

**Ms. McIntyre** advised Council that Mac Hogan had resigned from the Housing Authority Board due to work and family commitments. She stated that applications would be accepted for the vacancy created by his resignation.

*Council received the report as information.*

**XII. City Council Updates –**

**Councilmember Henderson Myers** mentioned the Spartanburg Philharmonic Orchestra’s Espresso Concert on October 28 at The Chapman Cultural Center.

**Councilmember Stille** shared she had attended the “Ten at the Top Summit” with 900 hundred leaders from across the upstate. She reminded everyone of International Festival the following weekend, and that Spartanburg Little Theatre’s production of “Beauty and the Beast” was at the Chapman Cultural Center. She added that she was excited about the “Seeing Spartanburg in a New Light” project that would be revealed on Tuesday.

**Councilmember Brown** shared she, too, was excited about the “National Night Out” event, and that she had helped put together the mobile suspensions for one of the pieces of “Seeing Spartanburg in a New Light”. She mentioned that she, along with several city staff, went to the Pineview Hills Neighborhood Clean Up event the previous Saturday and thanked everyone involved with that event. She shared that she attended the grassroots organized “Melting Pot Music Festival” and enjoyed all the diversity of people and music.

**Councilmember Rice** said he, too, was excited about the “Seeing Spartanburg in a New Light” project unveiling on Tuesday. He added that Spartanburg High School Senior Grady Thomas had been selected to participate in the 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Shrine Bowl Football game in Spartanburg on December 17.

**Mayor pro tem Anderson** shared how important he thought the “National Night Out” event was to the everyone in the city. He recognized all of the police and fire first responders at the meeting who also helped to prepare and make the NNO event possible.

**Police Chief Thompson** briefly updated Council on the roll out of the body cams and Tasers. He stated that the officers would be on the streets with the equipment as soon as training was completed.

**XIII. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 30-4-70 (a) (5) of the South Carolina Code to Discuss Matters Relating to Encouraging the Location of Two Businesses in the City**

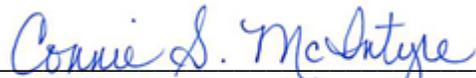
**Council may take action on matters discussed in Executive Session after exiting Executive Session.**

*Councilmember Brown made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the reasons stated. Councilmember Henderson Myers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 5 to 0. Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:10 p.m.*

*Council reconvened at 6:48 p.m. Mayor pro tem Anderson stated that discussion was held with no decisions made.*

**XIV. Adjournment –**

*Councilmember Henderson Myers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 5 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.*



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**Connie S. McIntyre, City Clerk**