



**City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers  
145 W. Broad Street  
Spartanburg, SC 29306  
Monday, February 24, 2020  
5:30 p.m.**

**(These minutes were approved  
at the March 16, 2019 City Council meeting.)**

**City Council met this date with the following Councilmembers present: Mayor White, Mayor pro tem Ruth Littlejohn, Councilmembers Erica Brown, Jerome Rice, Jamie Fulmer, Meghan Smith and Rob Rain. City Manager Chris Story and City Attorney Robert Coler 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 from the February 10, 2020 City Council Meeting –**  
*Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve the minutes as received. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for the February 24, 2020 City Council Meeting –**  
*Councilmember Smith made a motion to amend the agenda and remove Item VI from the agenda to be presented at a later date. Mayor pro tem Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0. Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*
- V. Public Comment**
  - 1. Mike Fowler, Spartanburg, SC,** spoke regarding local convenience stores and markets carrying groceries for citizens. He also mentioned using the American Legion property for an outdoor farmer’s market.

**VI. Update of Parks and Recreation Positive Youth Development Programming Through Office of Populations Affairs Grant Funding – WILL BE PRESENTED AT A LATER DATE**

**Presenters: Kim Moultrie, Parks and Recreation Superintendent  
Molly Talbot-Metz, President & CEO, Mary Black Foundation  
Polly Edwards-Padgett, Program Director, Mary Black Foundation**

**VII. Grassroots Leadership Development Institute Update**

**Presenter: Mary L. Thomas, COO, Spartanburg County Foundation**

*Ms. Thomas updated Council on the activities and accomplishments of the GLDI. Council received the report as information.*

**VIII. Mayor Committee Appointments (3) and Council Appointment (1)**

**Presenter: Mayor Junie White**

**A. Appalachian Council of Governments**

**i. Mayor Appointment of Councilmember**

*Mayor White appointed Mayor pro tem Littlejohn to the ACOG committee.*

**B. Hospitality Tax Grants Committee**

**i. Mayor Appointment of One Councilmember**

**ii. Council Appointment of Citizen**

*Mayor White appointed Councilmember Meghan Smith to the Hospitality Tax Grants Committee.*

*Mayor White nominated Alan Jenkins to fill the unexpired term of Meghan Smith on the Hospitality Tax Grants Committee. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*

**C. Spartanburg Area Transportation Study (SPATS)**

**i. Mayor Appointment of Councilmember**

*Mayor White appointed Councilmember Rob Rain to serve with him on the SPATS committee.*

**D. Downtown Partnership Committee**

**i. Council Appointment of Councilmember**

*Mayor White made a motion to appointment Councilmember Fulmer to the Downtown Partnership Committee. Mayor pro tem Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*

**E. Recommendation of Spartanburg Housing Authority Boardmember**

**Presenter: Mitch Kennedy, Assistant City**

**Mr. Kennedy** explained to Council that Mayor White had appointed a councilmember committee, Mayor pro tem Littlejohn, Councilmember Erica Brown and Councilmember Jamie Fulmer to interview the candidates for the SHA board vacancy. He stated that applicants were scheduled for interviews and that the recommendation of the committee was to appoint Veronica Cunningham to the Spartanburg Housing Authority board.

*Councilmember Brown made a motion to appoint Veronica Cunningham to the SHA board. Mayor pro tem Littlejohn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*

**IX. Consent Agenda**

**A. Providing for the Issuance and Sale of Taxable Water System Refunding Revenue Bonds of the City of Spartanburg, South Carolina, in One or More Series, in an Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000); and Other Matters Relating Thereto (Second Reading)**  
**Presenter: Brad Love, Haynsworth, Sinkler & Boyd, PA**

**B. Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement for the Transfer of Several Scattered Site Properties Located in the Northside and Hampton Heights Neighborhoods (Second Reading)**

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

*Mayor pro tem Littlejohn made a motion to approve the consent agendas received on second reading. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*

**X. Resolution**

**A. To Declare City Council's Satisfaction with The City Attorney's Performance Per Its Annual Review and to Authorize the City Manager to Adjust Terms of the City Attorney's Employment Agreement**

**Presenter: Chris Story, City Manager**

**Mr. Story** stated to Council that the resolution in the agenda packet would allow him to update the terms of the City Attorney's employment consistent with Council's decision.

*Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0.*

**XII. City Council Updates - Each Councilmember gave updates on their activities since the previous council meeting.**

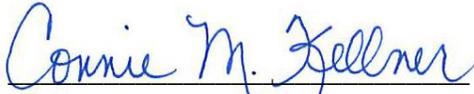
**XIII. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 30-4-70 (a) (5) of the South Carolina Code to Discuss Matters Relating to an Economic Development Project**

*Mayor pro tem Littlejohn made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the reason stated. Councilmember Jamie Fulmer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0. Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:24 p.m.*

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

*Council reconvened at 7:00 p.m. Mayor White stated that discussion was held with no decisions made.*

**XIX. Adjournment - Councilmember Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Fulmer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.**



**Connie M. Kellner, City Clerk**