CITY OF CAYCE EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Via Zoom January 14, 2021

Present: Danny Creamer, Maxine Creamer, Alexis Moore, Johnathon Moore, Cindy Pedersen, Cindy Peterson, Dwede Dennis, Dave Capps, Jonathan Palance

Absent: Evony Reed, Brianne Siciliano

City Representatives Present: Mendy Corder, Amanda Rowan, and James Denny

Review of Minutes:

Chairperson Danny Creamer called the meeting to order. A review of the minutes from November 19, 2020 was called. Cindy made a motion to approve the minutes, Jonathan seconded, and minutes were approved unanimously.

Election of 2021 Officers:

Danny Creamer issued a call for nominations for 2021 officers. Cindy asked if Danny was still interested in being Chair. Danny stated he was and would continue if approved. Cindy nominated Danny for Chairperson; Dave seconded. Danny asked if there were any other nominations and none were offered. Danny closed nominations. Danny was re-elected unanimously.

Cindy nominated Johnathon for Vice Chair. Maxine seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Danny closed nominations and Jonathon was re-elected unanimously.

Dave Capps nominated Maxine for position of secretary. Motion was seconded. There were no other nominations and Maxine was re-elected unanimously.

Christmas in Cayce Drive Through Event 2020:

Danny apologized for missing the event (due to being ill) but stated he had heard it was successful and considered it a historic moment as it was the first of its kind. Amanda gave a recap of the night. Dave stated that Mayor Partin expressed appreciation and Dwede gave her impression from driving through. Danny would like to see the committee look over the possibility of adding additional displays. Mendy asked if there were specific displays the committee would like to research. Cindy suggested skaters, carolers, or other animated displays. Mendy and James discussed lights covering the ground to resemble water or ice. Alexis and Dwede suggested animated lights. Danny suggested the committee consider having a teddy bear drive to assist in the distribution of bears at the 2021 event. Jonathan suggested the City consider having businesses sponsor light displays (similar to Saluda Shoals). Mendy stated it could be looked into, it had previously been discussed but never came to fruition.

There was a discussion regarding residential Christmas contests next year with each neighborhood competing. Jonathan suggested in lieu of a contest people who decorate for the Holidays can turn in pictures of their yard to be displayed online. Alexis suggested the possibility of a map of Cayce homes with lights.

Buffalo Soldiers Convention 2021:

Dave Capps advised he has not received an update on the Buffalo Soldiers Foundation coming to Columbia in 2021 since pre-Thanksgiving 2020. It currently appears they will be arriving in late July, early August, but Dave will let the Committee know when he receives additional information.

Other Business

Danny stated things are still uncertain for events due to Covid. He would like to meet with the City Manager regarding spring events.

Dave thanked officers for previously serving and serving again.

Cindy inquired if there were any current openings on the Committee. Mendy stated there is currently one open position. A local business owner was approached but the Committee has not heard back. A local resident was also spoken with, but has not provided an application. Mendy requested if anyone on the Committee has a suggestion to have that person complete an application.

Mendy welcomed new members to the Committee.

Next meeting is Thursday, February 11, 2021.

With no other business Cindy made a motion to adjourn. Alexis seconded and all were in favor. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, *Maxine Creamer*