



CITY OF CAYCE

Mayor
ELISE PARTIN

Mayor Pro-Tem
JAMES E. JENKINS

Council Members
TARA S. ALMOND
EVA CORLEY
TIMOTHY M. JAMES

City Manager
REBECCA VANCE

Assistant City Manager
SHAUN M. GREENWOOD

CITY OF CAYCE Public Hearings and Special Council Meeting June 17, 2015

A Public Hearing was held at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers to obtain public comment on the annual budget for the City of Cayce for FY15-16. Those present included Mayor Elise Partin, Council Members Tara Almond, Eva Corley, Tim James, and James Jenkins, City Manager Rebecca Vance, Assistant City Manager Shaun Greenwood, Mendy Corder, Municipal Clerk and Garry Huddle, Municipal Treasurer. Mayor Partin asked if members of the press and the public were duly notified of the Public Hearing in accordance with the FOIA. Ms. Corder confirmed they were notified.

Opening Statement

Mayor Partin stated that staff placed a budget fact sheet on every resident's roll cart so they would be informed of the budget discussions. She explained that Council is considering increasing water and sewer rates by approximately \$1.06 a month based on an average usage of 85,000 gallons bi-monthly. Millage may increase by approximately \$.50 a month and sanitation fees may increase \$1.50 a month. Mayor Partin stated that citizens in Cayce pay approximately \$70.00 less in property taxes than their neighbors in West Columbia (based on a \$100,000 house). She explained that the City's residential sanitation fees are lower than almost all the neighboring municipalities. Also the City's sanitation services are not privatized and the great staff believe in quality customer service.

Public Testimony

No one from the public in attendance offered any public testimony or comment.

Close Hearing

Mayor Partin closed the public hearing noting that no public comment was received.

The Special Council Meeting immediately followed the Public Hearing at 5:10 p.m. in Council Chambers. Those present included Mayor Elise Partin, Council Members Tara Almond, Eva Corley, Tim James, and James Jenkins, City Manager Rebecca Vance, Assistant City Manager Shaun Greenwood, Municipal Clerk Mendy Corder, Garry Huddle, Municipal Treasurer and Public Safety Director Charles McNair were also in attendance. Mayor Partin asked if members of the press and the public were duly notified of the Council Meeting in accordance with the FOIA. Ms. Corder confirmed they were notified.

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Mayor Partin called the meeting to order. Council Member Corley gave the invocation and Mayor Partin lead the assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments Regarding Items on the Agenda

Ms. Corder advised that no one had signed up for Public Comment.

Other

- A. Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 2015-06 Amending Zoning Map and Rezoning Property located at 500 Cayce Avenue, Tax Map Number 005767-01-001 from M-2 to C-4 – Second Reading

Council Member Jenkins asked if there were any changes since First Reading. Ms. Vance stated there were not any changes. Council Member Corley made a motion to approve the Ordinance amending the zoning map and rezoning property located at 500 Cayce Avenue from M-2 to C-4. Council Member James seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

- B. Approval of Ordinance to Adopt an Annual Budget for the City of Cayce for FY15/16 – Second Reading

Ms. Vance stated that the budget is balanced and nothing had changed between First Reading and Second Reading. Council Member James asked if every effort was made to inform all residents of the proposed budget. Ms. Vance stated that the budget flyer was placed on every resident's roll cart and it was put on the City's social media. It was also mentioned in several local newspapers. Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve the Ordinance adopting an annual budget for the City for FY15/16. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Council Comments

Council Member Jenkins thanked staff for all their hard work in getting the budget done.

Council Member James congratulated Mayor Partin for being chosen by Free Times as one of the Fifty People Who Get Things Done in the Capital City. Mayor Partin thanked him and stated that it was a great commentary on all of Council. She

stated that Council does not always agree but that is a positive thing because they always communicate and they are all there for the right reasons. Council Member James stated it was a great article and invited everyone to read it.

Mayor Partin stated that Miss Madison Dinkins is Miss Cayce-West Columbia Teen and will be representing the area at the Miss South Carolina Teen Pageant June 19 – June 27 and wished her luck.

Executive Session

- A. Receipt of legal advice relating to a claim and potential claim by the City and other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege
- B. Discussion of Employment of Financial Advisor

Council Member Corley made a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss the matters above. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Reconvene

After the Executive Session was concluded, Council Member James made a motion to reconvene the Regular meeting. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Mayor Partin announced that no vote was taken in Executive Session other than to adjourn and resume the regular meeting.

Possible Actions by Council in follow up to Executive Session

- V. B. Discussion of Employment of Financial Advisor

Council Member James made a motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and sign a contract for services with Compass Municipal Advisors, LLC. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Council Member Almond made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Elise Partin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mendy C. Corder, Municipal Clerk

