

Mayor
Elise Partin

Mayor Pro-Tem
James E. Jenkins

Council Members
Tara S. Almond
Phil Carter
Eva Corley

City Manager
Rebecca Vance

Asst. to City Manager
Rachelle Moody



**City of Cayce
Special Council Meeting
January 17, 2018**

A Special Council Meeting was held this afternoon at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Those present included Mayor Elise Partin, Council Members Tara Almond, Phil Carter, Eva Corley and James Jenkins. City Manager Rebecca Vance, Assistant to the City Manager Rachelle Moody, Municipal Clerk Mendy Corder, City Treasurer Garry Huddle, Planning and Development Director Carroll Williamson, Director of Public Safety Byron Snellgrove and City Attorney Danny Crowe were also in attendance.

Mayor Partin asked if members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the FOIA. Ms. Corder confirmed they were notified.

Call to Order

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

Public Comment Regarding Items on the Agenda

Ms. Corder stated no one had signed up for public comment.

Ordinances

- A. Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 2018-01 Adding a New Section 6.10-4 of the City of Cayce Zoning Ordinance Relating to Design Overlay Districts – Second Reading

Council Member Almond made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-01 on second reading. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Other

- A. Discussion and Approval of Hospitality Tax Fund Requests for 2018

Ms. Moody stated that the City received 18 Hospitality Tax Fund requests totaling \$237,450. Applications were accepted for a six week period from October 2 through November 17, 2017. She stated that requests were made for grant funding for events and/or projects taking place during calendar year 2018. She stated as of July 1, 2017, the City had a Hospitality Tax Fund balance of \$512,172 and fiscal year to date (July 1 to date), revenues collected total \$558,893. Based on revenues collected to date, staff

projects a FY18 total Hospitality Tax revenue collection of at least \$1,000,000 for the year. Ms. Moody stated that during this fiscal year, staff anticipates using \$730,000 in Hospitality Tax Funds for 2018-2019 operation and maintenance of tourism-related activities and capital items. She stated that staff also recommends holding back \$50,000 in the fund balance as reserve.

Mayor Partin asked if the City Events Committee had made a decision on whether or not to hold the Congaree Bluegrass Festival in 2018. Ms. Corder stated that the Committee has discussed the future of the festival but has not made a decision yet. She suggested that Council postpone approving the requested hospitality tax funding for the Congaree Bluegrass Festival until a decision is made.

Council Member Almond made a motion to approve staff's recommendations on the hospitality funds requested with the exception of the Congaree Bluegrass Festival pending an application once a decision is made regarding the festival. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

B. Discussion of Amendment to Sec. 28.81 of the City of Cayce Code of Ordinances Concerning the Hours Unreasonable Noise is Prohibited in the City

Ms. Corder stated that the City has received complaints regarding loud music being played at night. The majority of the complaints were regarding concerts at the Columbia Historic Speedway. The City's current Ordinance reads, "The playing or operation of any radio, television, phonograph, stereo, computer, CD player, cassette player, loudspeaker or similar sound-producing or sound-emitting device or any musical instrument in such a manner, or with such volume, particularly during the hours between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., as to unreasonably disturb any person in the vicinity thereof."

Ms. Corder stated that staff researched the surrounding municipality's noise ordinance and the times that they enforce their ordinance. She stated that West Columbia's time is from 9pm – 7am, the Town of Lexington is 9pm – 7am, Columbia is 10pm - 7am and Lexington County does not specify times. Staff also researched surrounding municipality's policies for City hosted events that may create a noise issue. The City of West Columbia suspends their noise ordinance in any Resolution that they do for a City event. The Town of Lexington's noise ordinance includes an exemption that reads, "Any other noise resulting from activities of a temporary duration permitted by law and for which a license or permit has been granted by the municipality." Ms. Vance stated that the City's current noise Ordinance does not address events that are held on private property such as the Columbia Historic Speedway.

Council Member Jenkins asked if staff has contacted the Speedway regarding the complaints. Mayor Partin stated that the Speedway property owners are very concerned about not disturbing the surrounding neighborhoods with noise issues. She asked Chief Snellgrove if he felt the noise Ordinance needed to be changed from 11pm

to 10pm or 9pm. He stated that the only noise issues related to music the City has had is with events at the Speedway. Mayor Partin stated that she would like to see the time changed to at least 10pm. After discussion, it was agreed that staff would contact the Speedway property owners to discuss the issue with them and how they would be affected, if at all, if the noise Ordinance time changed to an earlier time.

City Manager's Report

Ms. Vance stated that on the following day City offices were opening on a two hour delay due to inclement winter weather. She stated that the Riverwalk final walkthrough was rescheduled due to a concern of falling branches and ice on the paths. She stated that once the walkthrough is completed a punch list will be created to address any issues and then a grand reopening will be scheduled.

Council Comments

Council Member Corley stated that Gantt Street, Lybrand Street and Rauton Road are in the process of being repaved. She stated that the residents were happy to see the roads finally being repaved by DOT. Ms. Vance stated that staff recently met with DOT regarding road improvements in the City. She stated that the City is split into three different areas on DOT's maps and work will be starting in all three areas at different times. She stated that staff has coordinated with DOT to ensure that the roads affected by the waterline replacement project will be repaved last so the cuts in the road will be repaired at that time.

Executive Session

- A. Receipt of legal advice relating to claims and potential claims by and against the City and other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege
- B. Discussion of upcoming personnel vacancy in the Administration Department

Mayor Partin stated that there was not anything to be discussed regarding Item VII. A. in Executive Session. Council Member Almond made a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss Item VII. B. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Reconvene

After the Executive Session was concluded, Council Member Almond made a motion to reconvene the Regular meeting. Council Member Corley 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

There was no action taken in follow up to Executive Session.

Adjourn

Council Member Almond made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Elise Partin, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mendy Corder, CMC, Municipal Clerk

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON A MATTER APPEARING ON THE MEETING AGENDA, PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING.* *THANK YOU.*

COUNCIL MEETING SPEAKERS' LIST

Date of Meeting January 17, 2018

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