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Budget Meeting/SCM 6:00 PM

Thursday, June 27, 2024

South Congaree Town Hall, Council Chambers
119 West Berry Rd., West Columbia, SC 29172

Members in Attendance: Mayor Cindy Campbell, Mayor Pro-Tem Kitty Spires (Absent),
Councilmembers: Brian Jackson (Absent), Debbie McIver, and Dwayne Prosser.
Attendees Present: Municipal Clerk Kerri Charlton, Interim Chief Mike Gordon

The public was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

I. Call to Order.

Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum was present.

Mayor Campbell led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Tery Cutter; Safe Harbor Worship Center led the Invocation. The Town is in compliance with the FOIA, posting 24 hours in advance.

II. Citizens Comments: None

III. Second and Final Reading Fiscal Budget

Ordinance 2024-25-01: Fiscal Budget.

Councilmember McIver made a motion to approve the second and final reading of the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget, Seconded by Councilmember Prosser, No Discussion. Roll Call Vote:

Motion carried at 6:03 PM

- Mayor Campbell- Yea
- Mayor Pro-Tem Spires- Absent
- Councilman Jackson- Absent
- Councilwoman McIver- Yea
- Councilman Prosser-Yea

IV. Second and Final Reading Compensatory Time Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04

Councilmember Prosser made a motion to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2024-04 to amend Chapter 37, Police Department of South Congaree to add Compensatory Time, Seconded by Councilmember McIver, No Discussion. Roll Call Vote:

Motion carried at 6:05 PM

- Mayor Campbell- Yea
- Mayor Pro-Tem Spires- Absent
- Councilman Jackson- Absent
- Councilwoman McIver- Yea
- Councilman Prosser-Yea

V. Second and Final Reading Special Events Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05

Councilmember McIver made a motion to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2024-05 adopt an ordinance, adopting a Special Events Permit in Chapter 96- Special Events into the South Congaree code of Ordinances, Seconded Councilmember Prosser, No Discussion. Roll Call Vote:

Motion carried at 6:06 PM

- Mayor Campbell- Yea
- Mayor Pro-Tem Spires- Absent
- Councilman Jackson- Absent
- Councilwoman McIver- Yea
- Councilman Prosser-Yea

VI. Second and Final Reading Hospitality Tax Ordinance

ORDINANCE 2024-06

Councilmember McIver made a motion to approve the second and final reading of the Hospitality Tax Ordinance No. 2024-06, an ordinance providing for a local hospitality tax on the sales of prepared meals and beverages in establishments within the Town of South Congaree Chapter 117 -Hospitality Tax, into the South Congaree code of Ordinances, Seconded by Councilmember Prosser. **Discussion**-Councilmember Prosser questioned the effective date of July 1, 2024, versus the enforcement date. The Council discussed the initial grace period of Ninety days (90) and can extend this period as needed to assist in the transition with the businesses in town. Councilmember McIver addressed the difference between a Hospitality Tax and property taxes. This is not a new tax on the Citizens of South Congaree. The Question and Answers pamphlet was uploaded on the Town Website for reference. The Council will schedule a Hospitality Tax informational meeting in the future.

Roll Call Vote:

Motion carried at 6:12 PM

- Mayor Campbell- Yea
- Mayor Pro-Tem Spires- Absent
- Councilman Jackson- Absent
- Councilwoman McIver- Yea
- Councilman Prosser-Yea

VII. Municipal Attorney Selection RFP 2024-MA01

- Elliot & Elliot, PA- **Rescinded RFP Offer**
- Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd
- Jess. Magnum AAL- **Disqualified Incomplete RFP**
- White & Story LLC

Mayor Campbell made a motion **to table** the selection to the July 9, 2024, work session meeting, Seconded by Councilmember Prosser. **Discussion**-The Council discussed the points of interest for the Municipal Attorney and Town needs. Roll Call Vote:

Motion carried at 6:19 PM

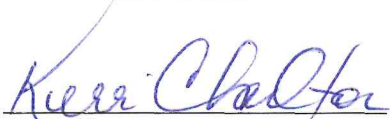
- Mayor Campbell- Yea
- Mayor Pro-Tem Spires- Absent
- Councilman Jackson- Absent
- Councilwoman McIver- Yea
- Councilman Prosser-Yea

Notice to the Public:

Reminder, the next Quarterly Litter pickup will be held on Saturday, July 13, 2024. We will meet at Town Hall at 9:00 AM.

VIII. Adjournment of Council Meeting:

The council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, voted to adjourn the meeting **at 6:20 PM**. Motion carried with unanimous vote of council.



Attested by:
Kerri Charlton, Municipal Clerk



Approved by:
Cindy Campbell, Mayor

7.16.24
Date Approved

Civility Pledge

I pledge to build a stronger and more prosperous community by advocating for civil engagement, respecting others, and their viewpoints, and finding solutions for the betterment of my city or town.

For the Facebook Live video please use the link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/TownOfSouthCongaree/videos/439527862201769/>

The public was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the upcoming meeting.

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