

**CITY OF ABBEVILLE, SC  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018**

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**Members Present:** Mayor S. Delano Freeman, Councilmembers Christopher R. Crawford, James R. Grant, Benjamin P. Greeson, Jr., James Jackson, H. Doyle Kidd, A. Faye Thomas and Augustus E. Wilson.

**Staff Present:** R. Blake Stone – City Manager, Fran Strickland – Assistant City Manager, Amber M. Price – Human Resources Director and City Clerk, Ron Bosler, Police Chief, Neal Dickenson – Fire Chief, and Thomas E. Hite, III – City Attorney

**Media Present:** Henry Green – **Press and Banner** and Conor Hughes – **Index Journal**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Freeman.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Freeman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OPENING PRAYER**

The opening prayer was given by Councilmember Wilson.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Councilmember Grant and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting held on Tuesday, January 9, 2018, and the Special City Council Meeting and Work Session held on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 and the Special City Council Meeting and Work Session held on Tuesday, January 23, 2018. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD –**

The following individuals all made comments regarding the purposed rental ordinance.

1. **Lamar West**
2. **Louis Chartier**
3. **Clyde Gordon**
4. **Kevin Hughes**
5. **Billy Thompson**
6. **Sandi Hood**

## INTRODUCTION/PRESENTATION

### 1. Mary Chase Ford, Director of the Abbeville Housing Authority

Mary Chase Ford presented the Abbeville Housing Authority's Annual Report.

### 2. Tonya Haddock, Managing Member with Cadence Development

Tonya Haddock discussed the rezoning of the property owned by Greenwood Petroleum Company, which is located on W. Greenwood Street, from (GC) General Commercial to (R2) Single and Multi-Family Residential.

### 3. Paul Bergin, Abbeville Resident

Paul Bergin discussed the purposed rental ordinance.

## ORDINANCES

**Second Reading: Ordinance No. 1-2018: An Ordinance Of The City Of Abbeville, S.C. Amending The City Of Abbeville Code Of Ordinances, Chapter Eleven – Nuisances To Create Standards To Address The Removal Or Repair Of Burned Structures Within The City Limits.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Kidd and seconded by Councilmember Grant to approve Ordinance No. 1-2018 amending the City of Abbeville Code of Ordinances, Chapter Eleven – Nuisances to create standards to address the removal or repair of burned structures within the city limits. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

**First Reading: Ordinance No. 2-2018: An Amendment Ordinance Of The City Of Abbeville, S.C. Authorizing The Rezoning Of Three Properties On West Greenwood Street To (R2) Zoning For The Purpose Of The Construction Of An Apartment Complex.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilson and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to approve Ordinance No. 2-2018 authorizing the rezoning of three properties on West Greenwood Street to (R2) zoning for the purpose of the construction of an apartment complex. Councilmembers Crawford, Grant, Greeson, Jackson, Kidd, Thomas and Wilson voted in favor. Mayor Freeman voted in opposition. The motion passed 7-1.

## FORMAL REPORTS TO COUNCIL

**Report No. 7-2018: Approval Requested – Requesting approval to sign Spring Festival Service Agreement.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Grant and seconded by Councilmember Crawford to approve the signing of the Spring Festival Agreement. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

**Report No. 8-2018: Information Only – Update for the week of January 26, 2018 – February 2, 2018 on the Capital Property Sales Tax Commission.**

**Report No. 9-2018: Approval Requested – Approval of the closing of Trinity Street on Friday, March 16, 2018, from 5:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. for the annual Abbeville Area Medical Centers Foundation Benefit Dinner and Auction.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Crawford and seconded by Councilmember Jackson to approve the closing of Trinity Street on Friday, March 16, 2018, from 5:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. for the annual Abbeville Area Medical Center’s Foundation Benefit Dinner and Auction. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

**Report No. 10-2018: Information Only – Letter from West Carolina Communications modifying their rates on their current programming packages effective April 2018.**

**Report No. 11-2018: Information Only – Update on the City’s new website which is scheduled to be launched on July 23, 2018.**

### **CITY ACTIVITY REPORTS**

City Council received and acknowledged as information the Monthly City of Abbeville Department Activity Reports for January 2018.

### **NEW BUSINESS –**

- 1. Discussion of the proposed Rental Ordinance that was discussed at two previous City Council Work Sessions in January.**
- 2. Consideration of appointment to fill the four year terms of office of Carolina McGee, Aubrey Cheek and Bill Williams who have resigned from the HPPC (Historic Properties Protection Commission).**

Councilmember Kidd made a motion to table until the March meeting and was seconded by Councilmember Thomas. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS – None**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION –**

Mayor Freeman made a motion to go into executive session and with no objections the motion passed unanimously.

- 1. Contractual Matter – Discussion of Trinity Street.**
- 2. Contractual Matter – Discussion of the Abbeville Opera House.**

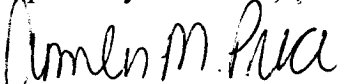
### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – POSSIBLE ACTIONS AND FOLLOW UPS**

**No actions were taken following the Executive Session.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business to discuss a motion was made by Councilmember Crawford and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to adjourn the City Council meeting at 8:52 p.m. The **motion passed** unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amber M. Price". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A'.

Amber M. Price  
City Clerk