



**PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL
JULY 25, 2019 – 5:30 PM
MUNICIPAL COURTROOM
GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Notice of this meeting has been made in accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws as amended.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Brendon M. Barber, Sr.
Mayor Pro Tempore Rudolph A. Bradley
Council Member Tupelo Humes
Council Member Carol R. Jayroe
Council Member Al Joseph

MEMBERS ABSENT

Council Member Sheldon A. Butts
Council Member Clarence C. Smalls

ALSO PRESENT

Mrs. Elise Crosby, City Attorney
Ms. Stephanie Buccione, City Clerk
Mrs. Suzanne Anderson, HR Manager
Mr. Orlando Arteaga, Engineer
Mrs. Debra Bivens, Director of Finance
Mr. Tim Chatman, Streets and Sanitation Manager
Mr. Will Gunter, Water Utilities Director
Chief Charlie Cribb, Georgetown Fire Department
Mr. Alan Loveless, Director of Electric Utilities
Ms. Angela Rambeau, Director of Planning and Community Development
Mr. Isaac Williams, Fleet Superintendent

ABSENT

Mr. Carey F. Smith, Interim City Administrator
Chief Kelvin Waites, Georgetown Police Department

MEDIA

Georgetown Times - Mr. Ali Akhyari
GAB News - Mr. Scott Harper

2. ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Mayor Brendon M. Barber, Sr. called the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of City Council to order at 5:30p.m. and requested all cell phones or electronic devices be turned off or placed on mute, with the exception of first responders, so as to not interrupt the meeting.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

A. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to receive citizen input concerning the Franchise ordinance with Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.

Mayor Barber opened the Public Hearing to receive comments on the Franchise ordinance with Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. No one appeared to speak for or against the Franchise ordinance with Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. The Public Hearing portion was closed

4. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tempore Bradley rendered the invocation. Council Member Jayroe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Barber opened the Public Comments portion of the meeting and announced no one signed up to address City Council. The Public Comments portion was closed.

6. INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Mr. Will Gunter introduced Mr. Thomas McSharar as a Facilities Maintenance Technician in the Water Department.

7. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

A. Motion to approve second reading of an ordinance Annexing 10.55 Acres of Land, Owned by Northgate of Georgetown, LLC, into the Corporate Limits of the City of Georgetown, South Carolina.

Council Member Joseph moved, seconded by Council Member Jayroe. Ms. Angela Rambeau stated that there will be private roads in the development that will be owned and maintained by the developer. Rural water will take care of water, Grand Strand Water & Sewer will take care of the wastewater, and City of Georgetown will take care of power.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
SECONDER:	Carol R. Jayroe, Council Member
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

B. Motion to approve second reading of an ordinance Rezoning 10.55 Acres of Land, Owned by Northgate of Georgetown, LLC, from Residential (R1) to General Commercial (GC).

Mayor Pro Tempore Bradley moved, seconded by Council Member Joseph.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

8. FINANCE

1. Motion to Approve the Accommodations & Hospitality Tax Committee Funding Allocations to ten (10) applicants totaling \$115,517.

Council Member Jayroe moved, seconded by Council Member Joseph. Mrs. Debra Bivens reviewed the ten applications that were shared with Mayor and Council. Mayor Pro Tempore Bradley stated he was not familiar with one of the applicants, Indigo Touring and he expressed concern for their approval of funds. Mrs. Bivens stated they are a new touring company scheduled to start operations on October 1, 2019. Their request of funding would be used to purchase twelve bicycles to use on their tours, website maintenance, posters, and business cards. Council Member Jayroe stated that Indigo Touring is a for-profit business and stated concern of funding a for-profit and start up business. Mayor Barber also expressed concern on allocating funds to a for-profit and startup business. Mayor Barber stated that he is in agreement with the other applications but not Indigo Touring.

Motion to amend the agenda to approve the Accommodations & Hospitality Tax Committee Funding Allocations to all of the applicants with the exception of Indigo Touring.

Council Member Joseph moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Bradley.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
SECONDER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

Motion to to approve the Accommodations & Hospitality Tax Committee Funding Allocations to all of the applicants with the exception of Indigo Touring.

Mayor Pro Tempore Bradley moved, seconded by Council Member Jayroe.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Carol R. Jayroe, Council Member
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9. ENGINEERING

- 1. Motion to approve revised bid and award contract to Melton Electric Co., Inc. in the amount of \$500,000. The work includes the removal and disposal of the existing generator and switchgear; installation of new Generac generator and automatic transfer switch (ATS); installation of new switchgear, two new variable frequency drives (VFD's) for High Service Pumps #1 and #3; electric conduit and wiring; and site work. Contract includes a 5-year manufacturer's warranty.**

Council Member Joseph moved, seconded by Council Member Humes. Mr. Orlando Arteaga stated this is for electrical upgrades at the Water Treatment Plant.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
SECONDER:	Tupelo Humes, Council Member
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

10. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Motion to approve second reading of a Franchise ordinance with Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.**

Council Member Joseph moved, seconded by Council Member Jayroe.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
SECONDER:	Carol R. Jayroe, Council Member
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

B. Motion to Approve Updates to City Employee Handbook Policies #3 Tuition Reimbursement & #21 Payment of Wages

Council Member Joseph moved, seconded by Council Member Jayroe.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
SECONDER:	Carol R. Jayroe, Council Member
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

11. MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes from Council Meetings dated April 18, 2019, April 25, 2019, May 7, 2019, May16, 2019, May 30, 2019, June 3, 2019, and June 10, 2019.

Council Member Joseph moved, seconded by Council Member Humes.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
SECONDER:	Tupelo Humes, Council Member
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

12. OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business.

13. NEW BUSINESS

No New Business.

14. DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORTS

Mayor Barber announced the department monthly reports are included in the agenda for Council's review.

- A. GPD June 2019 Monthly Report
- B. June 2019 Municipal Court Report
- C. June 2019 Fire Report
- D. June 2019 Public Works Department Report
- E. June 2019 Fleet service Report
- F. June 2019 Electric Utility Department Report
- G. June 2019 Water Utilities Report
- H. June 2019 Engineering Monthly Report
- I. June 2019 Planning & Community Development Report
- J. June 2019 Finance & IT Reports

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to adjourn Regular Meeting and enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(1) to discuss appointments/reappointments to Georgetown Housing Authority, Board of Zoning Appeals, Construction Board of Appeals, Community Appearance Board, and the Architectural Review Board.

Council Member Joseph moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Bradley.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
SECONDER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:50pm.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene Regular Session.

Council Member Humes moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Bradley.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tupelo Humes, Council Member
SECONDER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

Executive Session adjourned and Regular Meeting reconvened at 5:56pm.

NO FORMAL ACTION WAS TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

A. City Council may take action on items discussed in Executive Session.

16. APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Brenda England to the Community Appearance Board.; reappoint Mr. Lee Padgett to the Architectural Review Board. Motion to appoint Mr. Nate Fata and reappoint Ms. Betty Wilson as Board Members to Georgetown Housing Authority; reappoint Mr. James Dozier to the Board of Zoning Appeals; reappoint Mr. John Rogers to the Construction Board of Appeals; reappoint Mrs. Joan Schmid to the Planning Commission; reappoint

Council Member Joseph moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Bradley.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

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MOVER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
SECONDER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

17. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of City Council.

Council Member Jayroe moved, seconded by Council Member Joseph.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Carol R. Jayroe, Council Member
SECONDER:	Al Joseph, Council Member
AYES:	Barber Sr., Bradley, Jayroe, Joseph, Humes
ABSENT:	Butts, Smalls

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:57pm.

Stephanie Buccione
City Clerk

Date Approved: 09/19/19