



**REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 20, 2014 – 5:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Notice of this meeting has been made in accordance with the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Jack M. Scoville, Jr.
Council Member Brendon M. Barber, Sr.
Council Member Rudolph A. Bradley
Council Member Carol R. Jayroe
Council Member Edward S. Kimbrough, Jr.
Council Member Clarence C. Smalls
Mayor Pro Tempore Peggy P. Wayne

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Chris Carter, City Administrator
Mrs. Elise Crosby, City Attorney
Ms. Ann U. Mercer, City Clerk
Mrs. Debra Bivens, Finance Director
Chief Paul Gardner, Georgetown Police Department
Mr. Jonathan Heald, Public Services Director
Mr. Alan Loveless, Electric Utility Manager
Mr. Rick Martin, Building Official/Zoning Administrator
Mr. Tee Miller, Economic Development Director
Chief Joey Tanner, Georgetown Fire Department

MEDIA

Georgetown Times - Mr. Scott Harper
WGTN/WLMC - Mr. Rod Stalvey

2. ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Mayor Jack M. Scoville, Jr. called the Regular Meeting of City Council to order at 5:30 PM and requested all cell phones or electronic devices be turned off or placed on mute.

3. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Carol Jayroe rendered the invocation. Students from The Georgetown School of Arts and Sciences led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Scoville recognized Ms. Evelyn McCray. Ms. McCray addressed Council with her complaint that one of her mobile homes on Gilbert Street appeared in the Georgetown Times. She said no one currently lives in the residence but she always leaves it open if someone needs a place to stay. She does not understand why this particular mobile home was pointed out in the paper. Mr. Scott Harper of the Georgetown Times spoke up and said City Council had nothing to do with this. It was a random picture taken by him and the newspaper made the decision to print the photograph.

5. **INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES**

There were no new employees.

6. **PROCLAMATION**

A. **Motion to approve proclamation dedicating a tree in the Morgan Park Memorial Tree Garden to the memory of Mr. Larry Fox.**

Mayor Scoville read the following Proclamation. **WHEREAS**, Mr. Larry Fox was a dedicated Board member of Keep Georgetown Beautiful and the Morgan Park Task Force for numerous years; and **WHEREAS**, Mr. Larry Fox served Keep Georgetown Beautiful as Vice-Chairman; and **WHEREAS**, his countless participations in the Great American Cleanups and Riversweeps were integral to their success; and **WHEREAS**, his infinite hours of volunteerism to these organizations were invaluable; and **WHEREAS**, it is befitting to recognize Mr. Larry Fox as an advocate and patron for the beautification of the City of Georgetown. **NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Georgetown, South Carolina and on behalf of our City Council and Keep Georgetown Beautiful, I hereby proclaim the Jelly Palm Tree in the Morgan Park Memorial Tree Garden is dedicated to the memory of Mr. Larry Fox our beloved friend and volunteer. **SIGNED, SEAL AND DATED THIS 20th DAY OF MARCH 2014.**

Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Council Member
SECONDER:	Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

7. **RESOLUTION**

A. **Motion to approve Resolution declaring April 2014 as Fair Housing Month in the City of Georgetown, SC.**

Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Carol R. Jayroe, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

8. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- A. Motion to approve second reading of an ordinance to amend the City of Georgetown Flood Damage Prevention and Control Ordinance in its entirety and replace said ordinance with a newly revised ordinance.**

Mayor Scoville asked for comments or discussion. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Council Member
SECONDER:	Edward S Kimbrough, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

- B. Motion to approve second reading of an ordinance amending Section 419 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding Manufactured Homes**

Mayor Scoville asked for comments or questions. Council Member Smalls stated he has previously referred to a mobile home on Prince Street between Prince and Alex Alford Drive...not the mobile home that appeared in the Georgetown Times. Council Member Kimbrough questioned the definition of *new*. Mr. Rick Martin said the proposed amendment to Section 419 of the Zoning Ordinance deals with the R3 Residential District. R5 which deals with *new* mobile homes is not being addressed. There are two different residential districts that allow mobile homes. The City's interpretation of *new* is anything that has not been titled or has a deed. It could be 2007, 2008, 2009, etc. There are a lot of old mobile homes in R3 that need to be removed. This amendment will adopt the State Statue to help staff with enforcement.

Mayor Scoville asked for further comments or questions. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Clarence C. Smalls, Council Member
SECONDER:	Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

9. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- A. Motion to approve The Georgetown Partnership, Inc. as the Designated Marketing Organization for the City of Georgetown.**

Mr. Tee Miller stated the Memorandum of Understanding is patterned after the December 2012 MOU with different partners. Pursuant to South Carolina Allocation

of Accommodations Tax laws, the City must designate a Designated Marketing Organization (DMO) to utilize the special fund of A-tax collections for marketing the City. Mayor Scoville asked for questions. Mayor Pro Tempore Wayne asked who serves on the Board. Mr. Miller answered the Historical Society, the Georgetown Business Association, the Harbor Historical Society, a member of City Council, the Mayor, and at least two at-large members representing some diversity including real estate, etc. This group will oversee the Main Street program. If the City does not have a DMO we will lose the funds that have been set aside. After a DMO has been designated, the group will convene and then the Mayor will assign a member of Council. Council Member Barber said Ms. Jean Brown would serve the Board well as an at-large member. Discussions continued.

Mayor Scoville asked for further comments or questions. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Brendon M. Barber Sr., Council Member
SECONDER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

Mayor Scoville noted Mr. Miller has submitted an Economic Development report for Council.

10. FINANCE DEPARTMENT

A. Motion to approve first reading of a FY 2013/14 budget amendment to the Hospitality Fund in the amount of \$235,000 for East Bay Boat Landing Project.

Mrs. Debra Bivens stated this was discussed at a Special Meeting on June 27, 2013 and is a housekeeping matter to amend the budget as it was presented to include \$235,000.

Mayor Scoville asked for comments or questions. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] Next: 4/17/2014 5:30 PM
MOVER:	Clarence C. Smalls, Council Member
SECONDER:	Edward S Kimbrough, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

B. Motion to approve first reading of a FY 2013/14 budget amendment for the following expenses to the General Fund: 1) Relocation of antennas from the City Hall water tank in the amount of \$24,270 and 2) Sidewalk repairs project in the amount of \$75,000.

Mrs. Bivens stated at the last meeting Chief Joey Tanner presented this to Council in reference to the City Hall water tank being removed. The antennas have been relocated to the SCANA tower located at the Public Works property. This is a housekeeping procedure to move the money. Funds budgeted for sidewalk repairs in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013 were not spent and were placed in reserves.

The department has requested to expend the monies this year.

Mayor Scoville asked for comments or questions. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] Next: 4/17/2014 5:30 PM
MOVER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Council Member
SECONDER:	Clarence C. Smalls, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

C. Motion to approve first reading of a FY 2013/2014 budget amendment to the Electric Fund in the amount of \$60,000 for the Peak Shaving Generation Project.

Mrs. Bivens stated Mr. Alan Loveless presented this at the workshop in reference to the temporary generation. These are engineering charges for that project that would be expended in the current fiscal year.

Mayor Scoville asked for comments or questions. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] Next: 4/17/2014 5:30 PM
MOVER:	Edward S Kimbrough, Council Member
SECONDER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

Council Member Barber informed the citizens in attendance that the budget items were discussed in a workshop opened to the public prior to tonight's meeting. Department Heads gave formal presentations at that time which reduces the length of the Regular Meeting.

11. PUBLIC SERVICES

A. Motion to approve the purchase of two (2) Accu-Tab disinfection systems for King Well and Maryville Well from PP&S Inc in the amount not to exceed Forty-Thousand dollars (\$40,000)

Mr. Jonathan Heald stated chlorine gas is used for disinfection at both wells. This system will replace the chlorine gas with solid chlorinated tabs . He explained the process for Council Member Bradley. Mr. Heald believes this is a better and safer method to disinfect drinking water.

Mayor Scoville asked for comments or discussion. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Council Member
SECONDER:	Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

B. Motion to approve the preliminary route of a 3200 foot (1 kilometer) Bicycle Pedestrian Trail linking US 17 at Marina Drive to Front Street at Greenwich Drive.

At the last workshop three options were discussed for the proposed connection between Marina Drive and Front Street. Mr. Heald stated at that time the consensus was Greenwich Drive. Before moving forward with the paperwork he is requesting Council approval of the route.

Mayor Scoville asked for comments or discussion. In response to a question from Council Member Kimbrough, Mr. Heald stated the property owner is open to discussion of the route. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Carol R. Jayroe, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

12. ADMINISTRATION

A. Motion to approve second reading of a Capital Project Ordinance for the repair of the Kaminski House Museum

Mr. Carter said this is the creation of a financial instrument that would allow the City to collect grant revenue awarded the Kaminski House project and disburse it to the Friends of the Kaminski House.

Mayor Scoville asked for comments or questions. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rudolph A. Bradley, Council Member
SECONDER:	Clarence C. Smalls, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

13. CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Carter said he spoke with the debris removal contractor servicing this area and as of today about 7,000 cubic yards have been collected in the City since February 23, 2014. Some limb work still remains. The Historic District should be completed for the tour of historic homes. Council Member Bradley asked if there is a system setup for citizens to call the contractor. Mr. Carter said if there are residents who have not had any debris picked up they can call Sterling Geathers, Jonathan Heald or himself.

The City received qualification to pursue a grant for a project on Palm Street between Highmarket and Hampton Streets. This will be an infrastructure street project to include water, sewer and storm water. Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments is developing the application and project.

Next Monday Target Construction of Mt. Pleasant who is contracting with some property owners, will begin to remove the piles of debris associated with the Front Street fire. This should be cleared within seven days.

A draft agenda for the workshop next Thursday was provided for Council. The City Hall water tank demolition should be completed by the end of the month. He asked Council for their thoughts on a ribbon cutting for the East Bay boat landing. It was decided a date in April would be appropriate.

Council Member Kimbrough asked about Rainey Park. Mr. Carter stated according to information provided in February, the project should have been completed today. The contractor asked for a 23-day extension due to bad weather. The City did not agree to the request. We have mentioned liquidated damages and relayed our disenchantment to Kellahan and Associates, the project engineer. It appears the materials to finish the work are onsite. This includes building a wall, finishing the pavers and making the fountain operational. Mr. Carter stated his experience working on liquidated damages on nonessential projects is difficult. This was an \$86,000 contract and he said it would be in the best interest of the City to wait a few more weeks. Staff is on site daily documenting the weather and if work is being performed. Discussions followed. Mr. Heald stated this project is focused strictly in and around Rainey Park. The seawall at the Kaminski House is not included.

14. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of Regular Meeting dated February 20, 2014.

Mayor Scoville asked for any questions, comments or amendments to the minutes. Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER:	Edward S Kimbrough, Council Member
AYES:	Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

15. OLD BUSINESS

Council Member Bradley informed Council he asked Mrs. Bivens to determined if and how the cost savings the City will realize with the renegotiated Santee Cooper contract can be passed on to the customers.

16. NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Jayroe requested that the next workshop include discussion of an amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Section 20-131(8) relating to serving beer

and wine on City sidewalks and public property. She would like to amend beer and wine to read alcohol. Also Section 20-133(9) prohibits serving any beverage in a glass bottle or container on the sidewalk. She would like to amend the ordinance to read glass containers are allowed on the sidewalk. A restaurateur contacted her with these concerns. Those restaurants that pay a fee to serve on the sidewalk have liability insurance. Council Member Bradley asked Mr. Carter to look at State law that regulates serving alcohol.

17. DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORTS

Mayor Scoville noted the department monthly reports are included in the agenda.

- A. Finance and IT Monthly Reports - February 2014**
- B. Georgetown Police Department - Monthly letter - Feb 2014**
- C. February 2014 Fire Report**
- D. Housing & Community Development February Monthly Report**

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to adjourn Regular Meeting and enter Executive Session to receive legal advice.

Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER: Rudolph A. Bradley, Council Member
AYES: Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:14 PM.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and return to Regular Meeting.

Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore
SECONDER: Edward S Kimbrough, Council Member
AYES: Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

Executive Session was adjourned and the Regular Meeting was reopened at 6:51 PM.

Mayor Scoville announced no formal action was taken in Executive Session.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn the Regular Meeting of City Council

Mayor Scoville called for the question.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Peggy P. Wayne, Mayor Pro Tempore

SECONDER: Brendon M. Barber Sr., Council Member

AYES: Jayroe, Kimbrough, Scoville Jr., Barber Sr., Bradley, Smalls, Wayne

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Ann U. Mercer
City Clerk

Date Approved: 04/17/14