

REVISED 7/24/24
SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP OF CITY COUNCIL
JULY 25, 2024 – 5:00 PM
MUNICIPAL COURTROOM
2222 HIGHMARKET STREET
GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA
AND LIVESTREAM:



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

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC DEVICES**
3. **PROCLAMATION**
 - A. **A Proclamation proclaiming August 4-10, 2024 as Community Health Center Week in the City of Georgetown, South Carolina.**
Attachments:
1 07.23.24 Community Health Center Week Proclamation (PDF)
4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
 - A. **Motion to adjourn Special Meeting and enter into Executive Session pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(2) to receive legal advice related to the defense of threatened or potential legal claims or the position of the city in other adversary situations involving assertion of a claim.**
 - B. **Motion to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene Special Meeting.**
 - C. **NO FORMAL ACTION WAS TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**
 - D. **City Council may take action on items discussed in Executive Session.**
5. **ADJOURNMENT**
 - A. **Motion to adjourn the Special Meeting of City Council.**



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PROCLAMATION

DOC ID: 4146

Council Meeting Date:	25 July 2024
Department:	Administration
Issue Under Consideration:	A Proclamation proclaiming August 4-10, 2024 as Community Health Center Week in the City of Georgetown, South Carolina.

Reviews:

Scott Whittier Pending

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Stephanie Buccione Pending

Georgetown City Council Pending 07/25/2024 5:00 PM

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**A PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING AUGUST 4-10, 2024 AS COMMUNITY HEALTH
CENTER WEEK IN THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA.**



MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for over 50 years, Community Health Centers have provided high-quality, affordable, comprehensive primary and preventive health care in our nation’s medically underserved communities, delivering value to, and having a significant impact on America’s health care system; and

WHEREAS, as the country’s largest primary care network, Community Health Centers are the health care home for over 31.5 million Americans in over 15,000 communities across the country. One in every eleven people in the United States gets their care at a Community Health Center; and

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers are a critical element of the health system, serving rural, suburban, island, frontier, and urban populations often providing the only accessible and dependable source of primary care in their communities. Nationwide, Community Health Centers serve one in every five residents of rural areas; and

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers serve as beacons of essential resources and support in the face of disasters and pandemics and will continue to respond quickly to care for America’s most vulnerable and underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, every day, Community Health Centers develop new approaches to integrating a wide range of services beyond primary care, including oral health, vision, behavioral health, and pharmacy services, to provide comprehensive care, allowing each community member to thrive. Health centers have more than doubled their behavioral health workforce in the last decade to meet Americans’ growing need for behavioral health services; and

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers are governed by patient-majority boards, ensuring patients are engaged in their health care decisions; and

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers are locally owned and operated small businesses that serve as critical economic engines, helping to power local economies by generating \$85 billion in economic activity and more than \$37 billion in labor income in some of the country’s most economically distressed communities; and

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers nationally support more than 500,000 direct and indirect jobs, including physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, licensed family therapists, and certified nurse-midwives who work as part of multi-disciplinary clinical teams designed to treat the whole patient; and

WHEREAS, the Community Health Center model continues to prove an effective means of overcoming barriers to healthcare access, including geography, income, and insurance status – improving health outcomes and reducing healthcare system costs; and

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers reduce overall costs of care by helping manage patients’ chronic conditions, which keeps them out of more expensive healthcare settings like hospital emergency rooms; and

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers are on the front lines of emerging health care crises, providing access to care for our nation’s veterans, addressing the opioid epidemic, and responding to public health threats in the wake of natural disasters. Community Health Centers operate over 900 mobile units, providing accessible health services in hundreds of rural and urban communities; and

WHEREAS, National Health Center Week offers the opportunity to celebrate America’s more than 1,400 Community Health Center organizations with over 15,000 service delivery sites, including over 3,600 schools. We honor their dedicated staff, board members, patients, and all those responsible for their continued success and growth since the first health centers opened their doors more than 50 years ago; and

WHEREAS, during National Health Center Week, we celebrate the legacy of America’s Community Health Centers, and their vital role in shaping the past, present, and future of America’s health care system.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Carol Jayroe, as Mayor for the City of Georgetown, South Carolina, proclaim August 4-10, 2024, as “**National Health Center Week**” I encourage all Americans to participate in this week by visiting their local health center and celebrating this vital partnership between America’s Community Health Centers and the communities they serve.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED this 25th day of July 2024.

ATTEST:

Stephanie Buccione
City Clerk

Carol Jayroe
Mayor

Attachment: 07.23.24 Community Health Center Week Proclamation (4146 : Proclamation for Community Health Center Week)