



**SPECIAL MEETING/BUDGET WORKSHOP
OF CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 12, 2018 – 4:00 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 Sheldon A. Butts
Council Member Tupelo Humes
Council Member Clarence C. Smalls

ABSENT

Council Member Carol R. Jayroe
Council Member Al Joseph

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Carey F. Smith, Interim City Administrator
Ms. Ann U. Mercer, City Clerk
Mrs. Debra Bivens, Director of Finance
Mr. Tim Chatman, Streets and Sanitation Manager
Chief Charlie Cribb, Georgetown Fire Department

ABSENT

Mrs. Elise Crosby, City Attorney
Mrs. Suzanne Anderson, HR Manager
Mr. Orlando Arteaga, Engineer
Mr. Will Cook, Water Utilities Director
Mr. Alan Loveless, Director of Electric Utilities
Mr. Rick Martin, Building Official/Zoning Administrator
Chief Kelvin Waites, Georgetown Police Department
Mr. Isaac Williams, Fleet Superintendent

MEDIA

Georgetown Times - Mr. David Purtell
GAB News - Mr. Scott Harper

2. ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Mayor Brendon M. Barber, Sr. called the Special Meeting/Workshop of City Council

to order at 4:00 pm 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. BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

Mrs. Debra Bivens acknowledged this is the third budget workshop and wanted to afford Council the opportunity to express any concerns before second reading. The budget as presented is balanced, \$33,058,282. She noted the following changes made after first reading. General Fund - Originally \$125,000 was used from city hall insurance proceeds to cover some of the cost of being displaced. Now that there is a projected cost to rebuild city hall and in order to avoid/reduce any potential borrowing, staff decided to remove that funding from the budget and revert to using Fund Balance; therefore, using \$166,717 versus \$42,717 of the General Fund, Fund Balance.

Hospitality and Accommodations Fund - *Winyah Auditorium Support* - Officers from the Auditorium met with the City's auditors and received directions to move forward with their forensic audit. Based on the consensus from Council, the current year funding of \$35,000 was moved to next year's budget of \$25,000, for a total FY 2019 budget of \$60,000. When asked, Mrs. Bivens stated the funds are earmarked for Winyah Auditorium, but it is not obligated until Council approves the disbursement. *Constitution Park Bulkhead Project* - This project was budgeted in the current fiscal year; however, due to unforeseen circumstances, was moved to next year's budget.

Water Fund - *Kaminski and Heyward Streets Water Main Projects* - These water main projects were budgeted in the current fiscal year; however, due to unforeseen circumstances, were moved to next year's budget for a total of \$333,000.

When asked about funding for the Kaminski House, Mrs. Bivens stated at the last meeting it was decided the budgeted amount for the Kaminski House operating budget would be \$150,000 and an additional \$20,000 was earmarked for their climate control project for a total of \$170,000.

Mayor Barber thanked Council and staff for their work in presenting a balanced budget.

Council Member Smalls asked Fire Chief Cribb about a traffic light on the highway in front of the new fire station. Chief Cribb has met with DOT and developers who own property across Highway 17. Mr. Smith said the City, working together with the developers, has requested a traffic light and signage on the highway. Emergency lights could be a consideration. This is a pressing matter that needs immediate attention. Council Member Smalls also inquired about a list of streets in the City to be paved. Mr. Smith was not aware of the list. Mr. Tim Chatman indicated Orland Arteaga and Will Cook have a copy of the DOT list and schedule. A copy will be provided to Council.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the Special Meeting/Budget Workshop of City Council.

Council Member Butts moved, seconded by Council Member Humes.

Mayor Barber called for the vote.

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

The Special Meeting/Budget Workshop adjourned at 4:25 pm.

Ann U. Mercer
City Clerk

Date Approved: 10/18/18