



**SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP OF CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 23, 2023 – 5:00 PM
MUNICIPAL COURTROOM
2222 HIGHMARKET STREET
GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA
AND LIVESTREAM:**

<https://www.facebook.com/cityofgtown/>

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 Carol Jayroe
Council Member Jonathan Angner
Mayor Pro Tempore Jim Clements
Council Member Hobson H. Milton
Council Member Jimmy Morris
Council Member Tamika Williams-Obeng
Council Member Clarence C. Smalls

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Sandra E. Yúdice, City Administrator
Mrs. Elise Crosby, City Attorney
Ms. Stephanie Buccione, City Clerk
Mrs. Cindy Thompson, Public Information Officer
Mr. Nick Ard, IT Technician
Mr. Orlando Arteaga, City Engineer
Mrs. Kathy Vermeland, Director of Finance
Chief Charlie Cribb, Georgetown Fire Department
Chief William Pierce, Georgetown Police Department
Mrs. Ieshia Tucker, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management
Mr. Scott Whittier, Utilities & Public Works Director

2. ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Mayor Carol Jayroe called the Special Meeting of City Council to order at 5:00pm 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. COAST RTA PRESENTATION

Mayor Jayroe presented Mr. Joe Lazzara with a Proclamation for serving on the COAST RTA Board of Directors as a City of Georgetown representative for 14 years.

Mr. Brian Piascik stated he has been with COAST RTA for eight years and is looking forward to working more with the city and county. Mr. Piascik reviewed the transportation routes in the area of Horry and Georgetown counties. He stated they have both urban and rural programs and struggle with growth. He stated their fleet is more reliable than it was in the past. Mr. Piascik stated they have an app so you can see where the bus is in real time and they are moving towards a cashless system. He said they have grown from 200,000 annual bus riders to 600,000 over the past eight years. He stated they are focusing on implementing a senior transportation program because they hold the highest population in the area. Mr. Piascik stated he has an \$8M budget and he is looking at different options to grow transportation services in the area based on demand. He stated he is reaching out to state legislatures for funding long term projects. Mayor Jayroe asked if a commuter bus within the city limits could be an option. Discussions followed.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to adjourn Special Meeting and enter into Executive Session pursuant to South Carolina Code Section 30-4-70(a)(2) to discuss proposed contractual arrangements regarding potential purchase or sale of city assets and receive related legal advice.

Council Member Angner moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Clements.

Mayor Jayroe called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jonathan Angner, Council Member
SECONDER:	Jim Clements, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Angner, Clements, Morris, Obeng, Jayroe, Milton, Smalls

The Special Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene Special Meeting.

Council Member Angner moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Clements.

Mayor Jayroe called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Jonathan Angner, Council Member
SECONDER:	Jim Clements, Mayor Pro Tempore
AYES:	Angner, Clements, Morris, Obeng, Jayroe, Milton
AWAY:	Smalls

Executive Session adjourned and Special Meeting reconvened at 6:30pm.

NO FORMAL ACTION WAS TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Special Meeting of City Council.

Council Member Milton moved, seconded by Council Member Angner.

Mayor Jayroe called for the vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Hobson H. Milton, Council Member
SECONDER:	Jonathan Angner, Council Member
AYES:	Angner, Clements, Morris, Obeng, Jayroe, Milton
AWAY:	Smalls

The Special Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Stephanie Buccione
City Clerk

Date Approved: 03/16/23