

Walterboro City Council

City Hall

July 11, 2023

Minutes

A rescheduled regular meeting of Walterboro City Council was held at City Hall on Tuesday July 11, 2023, at 6:15 P.M., with Mayor Bill Young presiding.

Present: Joined in the meeting were: Mayor Bill Young, Councilmembers: Carl Brown, Judy Bridge, Paul Siegel, James Broderick, Greg Pryor, and Ladson Fishburne. City Manager Jeff Molinari, Assistant City Manager Ryan McLeod, City Clerk Adrienne Nettles, City Attorney Brown McLeod, Finance Director Amy Risher, and Fire Chief Paul Seigler.

Call to Order:

With the above-mentioned Councilmembers present, Mayor Young called the meeting to order, and invited everyone to join in as he gave the invocation. Councilmember Bridge led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Public Input on Agenda Items:

There was no public input on agenda items.

Public Hearing:

1. **Ordinance # 2023-09**, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO PROVIDE FOR CHANGES IN THE ZONING DISTRICTS OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF TMS # 147-14-00-128 FROM HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (HCD) TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (MDR) (Second and final reading).

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council you have in your agenda packet an ordinance as well as a plat of the property involved. I do want to point out that in between the first reading and the meeting tonight the County assigned a tax map number for that parcel, which has been subdivided. When we did the first reading it was listed as lot 2, that lot is now designated as TMS # 147-14-00-128. The request is to rezone the property from Highway Commercial District to Medium Density Residential. The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on April 18, 2023, and unanimously recommends rezoning the property to Medium Density Resident.

Old Business:

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Motion: Councilmember Broderick; Seconded by: Councilmember Pryor

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

New Business:

1. **Ordinance # 2023-10**, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE # 2023-06, SO AS TO SET THE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX CREDIT FACTOR IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET (Introduction and 1st Reading).

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council you have in your agenda packet an ordinance to set the Local Option Sales Tax Credit Factor. A Sales Tax Credit Factor of .002218 is established by dividing the Anticipated Local Option Sales Tax Collection of \$1,189,315.00 by the Total Appraised Value of Property in the City of \$536,240,66. Staff asks Council for their favorable consideration.

Motion: Councilmember Pryor; Seconded by Councilmember Bridge

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

City Manager's Report:

1. Consideration of Funding Recommendations for the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee.

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council, you have in your agenda packet a memo from the A-TAX Committee. At its regular meeting held on June 15, 2023, the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee approved the following requests:

Request for 30% Designated Marketing Organization:

1. Walterboro Tourism Commission requests \$70,000, approved \$70,000.

Request for 65% Tourism Fund:

1. Colleton County Veterans Park: requested \$8,575, approved \$8,575.
2. Colleton County Rice Festival 2024: requested \$30,000, approved \$30,000.
3. SC Artisans Center- marketing and promotions: request \$ 32,000, approved \$32,000.
4. Walterboro Tourism Commission: request \$ 60,000, approved \$ 60,000.

Should these requests be approved as submitted, the projected remaining balance for 2023-2024 will be approximately \$276,075. The remaining funds will be for consideration at the next scheduled meeting in October 2023. Therefore, the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee respectfully request City Council approve these items.

Motion: Councilmember Bridge; Seconded by: Councilmember Brown

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

A motion was made to go into Executive Session by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Broderick. Mayor Young explained that City Council would be going into Executive Session to discuss Contractual Matters: 114 North Walter Street, and Project Suds. Personnel Matters: Appointment to the Planning Commission, and Appointment to the Keep Walterboro Beautiful Board.

Executive Session:

1. Contractual Matters:
 - a. 114 North Walter Street.
 - b. Project Suds.
2. Personnel Matters:
 - a. Appointment to the Planning Commission.
 - b. Appointment to the Keep Walterboro Beautiful Board.

A motion to accept Jack Jackson's resignation from the Planning Commission with regret and to thank him for his years of service and to appoint Mark Rosenburg to the Planning Commission for a 4-year unexpired term ending January 1, 2024 and to appoint Sharon Courtney to the Keep Walterboro Beautiful Board for an expired 4-year term ending January 1, 2027 was made by Councilmember Bridge, seconded by Councilmember Pryor, all in favor motion carries.

A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Pryor, all in favor motion carries.

There being no further business to consider a motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Bridge, seconded by Councilmember Pryor, and Passed unanimously. Mayor Young adjourned the meeting at 7:42 P.M. Notice of the meeting was distributed with the agenda packets, to all local media, posted on City Hall Bulletin board and posted on the City's website at least twenty-four hours prior to meeting time.

Respectfully,

Adrienne Nettles
City Clerk

APPROVED: August 1, 2023