

Walterboro City Council

Regular Meeting

City Hall

January 6, 2026

Minutes

A Regular Meeting of Walterboro City Council was held at City Hall on Tuesday, January 6, 2026, at 6:15 P.M., with Mayor James Broderick presiding.

Present: Joined in the meeting were: Mayor James Broderick, Councilmembers: Spencer Witkin, Carl Brown, Judy Bridge, Paul Siegel, Ladson Fishburne, and Jimmy Syfrett. City Manager Jeff Molinari, Assistant City Manager Ryan McLeod, City Clerk Adrienne Nettles, City Attorney Brown McLeod, Tourism Director Patricia Fleming, Parks Director Jonathan Burroughs, Carol Black, Rev. Angela Ford Broughton, and Joseph Arkin.

Call To Order:

With the above-mentioned Councilmembers present Mayor Broderick called the meeting to order. Rev. Angela Ford Broughton, New Life United Methodist Church gave the invocation. Eagle Scout, Joseph Arkin 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 # 2025-16**, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FY 2025-2026 CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA BUDGET ORDINANCE # 2026-06 SO AS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO (Second and Final Reading).

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council this proposed budget amendment is being made to add an additional position to the Police Department. We are currently fully staffed, and we ask for Councils favorable consideration of this request.

2. **Ordinance # 2025-17**, 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 ONE PARCEL OF LAND DESIGNATED AS TMS # 163-16-00-225 FROM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (SFR) TO NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (NCD) (Second and Final Reading).

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council, the Planning Commission reviewed this zoning change request in November and unanimously recommended changing the zoning from Single-Family Residential (SFR) to Neighborhood Commercial District (NCD). The parcel in question is at the intersection of Carn Street and Carter Street. It is my understanding that the developer plans to build at least one duplex.

Carol Black asked does Neighborhood Commercial District allow for a duplex?

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated yes it does.

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion of Councilmember Brown, Seconded by Councilmember Bridge, the following minutes were unanimously approved.

1. Regular Meeting – November 11, 2025
2. Regular Meeting – December 2, 2025

Old Business:

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Motion: Councilmember Bridge; Seconded by Councilmember Siegel

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

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Motion: Councilmember Bridge; Seconded by Councilmember Brown

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

New Business:

1. Nomination of Mayor Pro Tem.

Councilmember Fishburne made a motion to elect Councilmember Paul Siegel as Mayor Pro Tem; Seconded by Councilmember Brown, all in favor, motion carries.

2. Council Internal/External Appointments.

Mayor Broderick made the following appointments:

1. Walterboro-Colleton Airport Commission – Jimmy Syfrett
2. Keep Walterboro Beautiful Board – Ladson Fishburne
3. Lowcountry Council of Governments Board of Directors – Spencer Witkin

3. Naming of Park at 419 Hampton Street to “Bill Young Park.”

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of Council last month we conducted a dedication ceremony for former Mayor Young. The park at 419 Hampton Street will be named “Bill Young Park”. We need Council to take formal action to make this official.

Motion: Councilmember Siegel; Seconded by Councilmember Bridge

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

City Manager’s Report:

There was no information to report.

A motion was made to go into Executive Session by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Fishburne. Mayor Broderick explained that City Council would be going into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter: City Prosecutor, and Real Estate Matter: Conveyance of property to the city.

Executive Session:

1. Personnel Matter: City Prosecutor
2. Real Estate Matter: Conveyance of property to the city.

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

Open Session:

A motion to appoint JJ Evans as City Prosecutor for a term to expire on June 30, 2026, was made by Councilmember Bridge, seconded by Councilmember Witkin, all in favor, motion carries.

There being no further business to consider, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Bridge, seconded by Councilmember Syfrett, and passed unanimously. Mayor Broderick adjourned the meeting at 6:53 P.M. Notice of the meeting was distributed with the agenda packet,

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