



Mayor Elise Partin	Mayor Pro-Tem Tara S. Almond	Council Members Phil Carter Eva Corley James E. Jenkins	City Manager Tracy Hegler	Assistant City Manager James E. Crosland
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**City of Cayce
Regular Council Meeting
October 1, 2019**

A Regular Council Meeting was held this afternoon at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Those present included Mayor Elise Partin, Council Members Tara Almond, Phil Carter, Eva Corley and James Jenkins. City Manager Tracy Hegler, Assistant City Manager Jim Crosland, Municipal Clerk Mendy Corder, City Treasurer Garry Huddle, Planning and Development Director Carroll Williamson, Director of Public Safety Byron Snellgrove, Director of Human Resources Lynn Dooley and City Attorney Danny Crowe were also in attendance.

Mayor Partin asked if members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the FOIA. Ms. Corder confirmed they were notified.

Call to Order

Mayor Partin called the meeting to order and Council Member Jenkins gave the invocation. Mayor Partin stated that there were some special guests in attendance. Mr. Ken Parsons stated that he and Cub Scouts Nicholas Allen and Titus Smerdell were with Cub Scout Pack 331. The young men introduced themselves, joined Council on the dais and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Almond made a motion to approve the September 3, 2019 Regular Council Meeting minutes and the September 18, 2019 Regular Council Meeting minutes as written. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Mayor Partin stated that Ms. Hegler had requested to postpone Item IV. C. to the next Council Meeting. Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve postponing Item IV. C. to the October 16, 2019 Council Meeting. Council Member Corley seconded the motion. Mayor Partin stated that she shared Ms. Hegler's request to postpone this item with several local artists as well so they would know. Mayor Partin called the question which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Public Comment Regarding Items on the Agenda

Mr. John Sharpe, Item IV. C. – please see comments attached.

Ms. Venetia Sharpe, Item IV. C. – please see comments attached.

Mr. Mark Gardner, Item III. C. – Mr. Gardner stated that he was in attendance to speak in support of Love Automotive's sign request. He stated that his business and

Love Automotive combined had been in business in the City for 110 years. He stated that Love Automotive made a commitment to stay on Knox Abbott Drive in Cayce and never left, even during the Depression. He stated that in order to stay successful a business has to grow and change. Mr. Gardner stated that he hoped Council would be able to assist Love Automotive with the request they had before Council.

Ms. Renea Eshleman, Item IV. C. – please see comments attached.

Ordinances and Resolutions

A. Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 2019-16 Amending the Sewer Use Ordinance - Second Reading

Council Member Almond made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-16 on Second Reading. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

B. Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 2019-17 Amending City Code Section 40-92 (“Prohibited Discharges”) of Article III (“Sewer System”) of Chapter 40 (“Utilities”) – Second Reading

Council Member Corley made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-17 on Second Reading. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

C. Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 2019-18 Amending Zoning Ordinance Article 2 Definitions, Article 8 Table 8-B Number, Dimension and Location of Signs Requiring a Permit and Article 8 Table 8-B Table Notes to Add Language Concerning Digital Display Signs – First Reading

Ms. Hegler stated that digital display signs are currently permitted in the City but have restrictions that are not necessarily reflective of the current capabilities of these types of signs. The proposed amendment retains the restriction of no animation or scrolling messages on digital signs. However it permits multiple colors and characters instead of just letters. She stated that the Planning Commission voted on amending the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to digital display signs at the Planning Commission meeting on September 16, 2019.

Council Member Corley made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-18 on First Reading. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Other

A. Discussion and Approval of Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement between City of Cayce and Town of Springdale for Building Official Services

Ms. Hegler stated that Council approval was needed for the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Agreement for the City of Cayce to provide commercial and residential building plan reviews and inspections to the Town of Springdale at the rate of \$1,000 per month until January 1, 2022. This agreement was renewed in June 2018 and expires on January 1, 2020. Ms. Hegler stated that in order for this Agreement to go into effect, Springdale Town Council must also approve it. It will be on their agenda at their next meeting on October 1, 2019.

Council Member Carter made a motion to approve the renewal of the MOU with Springdale. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion. Mayor Partin asked if monthly payments was a better payment option instead of billing for hours worked. Council Member Carter stated that the Town of Springdale could get a new neighborhood which would greatly increase the amount of hours the City's Building Official would be needed there. Ms. Hegler stated that staff would watch the hours closely and keep Council updated if there are any changes. Mayor Partin called the question and it was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

B. Discussion and Approval of Bid Award for Construction of Art Lot

Ms. Hegler stated that Council approval was needed in order to accept the bid from 3D Dirtworks for the construction of the City's Art Lot located at 1908 Street. She stated that on January 30, 2019, the City was awarded a Connected Communities grant from the Central Carolina Community Foundation to construct an Art Lot at 1908 State Street, located in the City's newly established Arts District. After a public input session on August 28, 2019, a request for bids went out on September 12, 2019. On September 26, 2019, the City received four (4) bids. City staff and the project designer Landplan Group South selected 3D Dirtworks of Sumter, SC with a bid of \$98,800.00. This was the lowest bid submitted. Ms. Hegler stated that the Connected Communities grant will pay for \$20,860 and the remainder will be paid for by a combination of ABC Funds, Hospitality Tax funds and donations from the community.

Council Member Carter made a motion to approve the selection of 3D Dirtworks to construct the City's Art Lot at 1908 State Street. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

C. Discussion and Approval of a Proposal for Cayce Arts District Design and Management

This item was postponed to the October 16, 2019 Council Meeting.

City Manager's Report

Ms. Hegler stated that the Cayce Fall Fest was Saturday, October 5 from 1pm to 7pm at Granby Gardens Park. She stated that Coffee with Cops was being held at Piecewise Coffee Co. October 2 from 7:30am to 9:30am. She stated that Norfolk Southern was scheduled to make repairs to the railroad crossing at 12th Street and Frink Street and reminded Council that 12th Street would be closed around the railroad crossing that Thursday and Friday. She stated that the new Starbucks on Knox Abbott Drive was open. Ms. Hegler stated that the City is contracted with a new Public Defender, Sandra Moser, from the Milling Law Firm. She stated that Ms. Moser would be assisting the City with the cases that have requested a Court Appointed Attorney.

Committee Matters

- A. Approval to enter the following Committee approved Minutes into the City's Record
 - Zoning Board of Appeals – January 28, 2019
 - Planning Commission – August 19, 2019
 - Events Committee – August 22, 2019

Council Member Almond made a motion to enter the approved Committee minutes into the City's record. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Council Comments

There were no Council comments.

Executive Session

- A. Receipt of legal advice relating to claims and potential claims by and against the City and other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege
- B. Discussion of possible contract negotiations for economic development concerning the City of Cayce

Council Member Almond made a motion to move into Executive Session. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Reconvene

After the Executive Session was concluded, Council Member Almond made a motion to reconvene the Regular meeting. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Mayor Partin announced that no vote was taken in Executive Session other than to adjourn and resume the Regular meeting.

Possible Actions by Council in follow up to Executive Session

There were no actions taken in follow up to Executive Session.

Adjourn

Council Member Almond made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Carter seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Elise Partin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mendy Corder, CMC, Municipal Clerk

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON A MATTER APPEARING ON THE MEETING AGENDA, PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING.* *THANK YOU.*

COUNCIL MEETING SPEAKERS' LIST

Date of Meeting October 1, 2019

Name	Address	Agenda Item
<i>John Sharpe</i>	<i>109 Cherry Ln</i>	<i>ART</i>
<i>Venetia Sharpe</i>	<i>" " "</i>	<i>ART</i>
<i>Mark Carter</i>	<i>215 Ramwood Cir</i>	<i>ART, C.</i>
<i>Rebecca Espleman</i>	<i>508 Moss Ct Dr</i>	<i>ART</i>

***Appearance of citizens at Council meetings - City of Cayce Code of Ordinances, Sec. 2-71.** Any citizen of the municipality may speak at a regular meeting of the council on a matter pertaining to municipal services and operation, with the exception of personnel matters, by notifying the office of the city manager at least five working days prior to the meeting and stating the subject and purpose for speaking. Additionally, during the **public comment period** as specified on the agenda of a regular meeting of the council, a member of the public may speak on a matter appearing on the meeting agenda, with the exception of personnel matters by signing a speakers list maintained by the city clerk prior to the start of the public comment period. At the discretion of the mayor or presiding officer, the length of time for any speaker's presentation may be limited and the number speakers also may be limited.

I'm here to speak about a memo dated September 25, 2019

Subject: Approval of a Proposal for Cayce Arts District Design and Management.

I found out about this by accident. I called Ms. Hunter to talk about a campaign to get more artist. I was asked about moneys and said there is no money.

That's when she sent me the memo. To say I was surprised is an understatement.

I started the Art District Project when I bought my building about 9 years ago. Slowly over time I was able to persuade people the usefulness of an Art District.

All along the way I have kept the city aware of my activities.

3 years ago with other Cayce Artist and the help of Cayce City Hall we submitted a proposal for a large Place making - Art District Grant. Do and effects

Now about the Memo for a Creative Director, I oppose the hiring of a Creative Director for 2 reasons.

The first, it was improperly posted. You don't bury a request for an overall concept for developing the City's Arts District in on the second page for a call for a muralist. That's simply wrong.

The second, who should provide the overall concept for developing the Cayce Art District? It should be the business owners in the Art District and Cayce Art Guild Members. That's who should develop the district.

Now for the duties listed;

You have left off the most important duty, getting artist.

Branding, yes we need to start the branding process and anyone viewing our post know we've been slowly working on Branding by the words and terms we've been using. Also you can't brand a place until you have an area to brand. There's actually a few other issues about proper branding.

CAYCE, ART ON THE COOL SIDE OF THE RIVER AND WE GOT IT ZONED NOW COME ON

Painting blighted buildings, yes but until now there was no district or moneys to do so.

Creating murals, we've been trying to get murals done, problems been money. The owner of the old foundry would love to have a mural on his building and I'm surprised he was not included.

Installing sculptures, my sculpture is on America Roadside Attraction

FRINK AND RXR PADS

Public artworks I've asked the Mayor several times where can we place public art pieces

Constructing gateway signage we have already contacted the Tourism Board about signage on the Interstate and Handouts at welcome center.

The Art District needs three things, a place, artist, and patrons.

We have the District, now we need the artist, after we get artist its time to get the patrons. You don't want people looking for an art district without art.

Basically your Cayce business owners and artist are already performing the task you have listed and we are doing it for free.

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**Statement from
Cayce Arts Guild**

**Cayce City Council
October 1, 2019**

Agenda Item IV.C. Approval of a proposal for Cayce Arts Design and Management

The Cayce Arts Guild is in place largely in response to the emphasis Mayor Partin has made on the arts. Without the encouragement and support of the Cayce Mayor, Council, and staff, the Guild would not exist. Thank you.

Regarding the mural project, the summary in the call for proposals states, “The City of Cayce is requesting proposals from artists to design and paint two (2) murals on private property on State Street.” The Call further describes the mural projects and includes, under an “Other” paragraph, “Respondents may also present an overall concept for developing the City’s Arts District. Note this is not a requirement for responses.”

Because the Call focuses on the two murals, it seems doubtful that individuals and businesses would be appropriately recruited to submit proposals who have expertise in design and management of a much broader initiative than two murals. The proposal Will Bryan submitted is the only one of 22 that addresses a broader design of the arts district.

It is the position of CAG that local artists should be included in development of the district as it goes forward and at least the design components of the overall project, for example, the banners, murals, sidewalk, and crosswalk art.

Further, the Guild requests that City officials continue to include CAG members and the arts community in arts-oriented efforts, projects, and events.

I would like to suggest that the Council create an Art District committee made up of business and property owners within the Art District and members of Cayce's Arts Guild.

This committee would oversee the Development, Branding, gathering of signage from appropriate sources, institute art contests to develop art for public spaces, & provide basic beautification for the current and future art district.

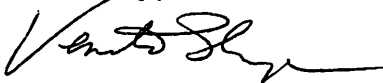
By having this type of committee, we would be able to utilize any available dollars to be invested into the actual current Art district and for future expansion of the Art district.

The driving idea behind our creation of an Art district is to encourage artist to relocate to Cayce, and thereby bring more tourism and monies to our great city.

An Art district has three legs, the location, the artist, and the patrons who shop for the art. We have the district, now we need the artist who in turn will bring the tourism. It is a proven that if you bring a group of artist into an area the place will prosper; ie: the Vista, Main street Columbia and hundreds of other places around the country. The h-tax dollars can be used in ways to draw artist to us and can be augmented where necessary by grants as available, eventually yielding a productive self sustaining and profitable Arts District.

We need to take a moment, form this committee with people who have a vested long term interest in our art district, allow for input, before we move forward.

Respectfully,



Venetia Sharpe