

**CITY OF CAYCE***MAYOR*  
ELISE PARTIN*MAYOR PRO-TEM*  
JAMES E. JENKINS*COUNCIL MEMBERS*  
TARA S. ALMOND  
EVA CORLEY  
TIMOTHY M. JAMES*CITY MANAGER*  
REBECCA V. RHODES*ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER*  
SHAUN M. GREENWOOD**CITY OF CAYCE  
Regular Council Meeting  
September 3, 2013**

The September Regular Council meeting was held this evening at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Those present included Mayor Elise Partin, Council Members Tara Almond, Eva Corley, Tim James, and James Jenkins, City Manager Rebecca Rhodes and Assistant City Manager Shaun Greenwood. Mendy Corder, Municipal Clerk, Garry Huddle, Municipal Treasurer and Chief Charles McNair 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. Councilman Jenkins gave the invocation. Korean War Veteran Mr. Walter Walker led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2013 Regular Meeting and the August 21, 2013 Special Meeting as submitted. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

**Presentations****A. Presentation by Public Works of HeART**

Ms. Rhodes explained that the City was approached last year by members of the Lexington County Gamecock Club regarding painting the water tank at Hwy 321 near the new University of South Carolina golf training facility. They were interested in painting a mural on the tank and worked with Mr. Will Bryan on design. After meeting with the City, all parties came to the realization that the project would be very expensive. Additional funding sources would be necessary.

Mr. Will Bryan is a resident of Cayce, Vice President of Marketing and Design at Genesis Studios and recently founded Public Works of HeART. Public Works of HeART uses crowd-funding through social media to finance public works of art which beautify communities, creates awareness of needs and gives money to local charities. Mr. Bryan explained that the idea is to paint a 20,000 foot mural on the Cayce water

tank. He stated a two square feet panel of the artwork will cost \$25 and a portion of the proceeds will go to a Cayce charity.

Mayor Partin explained that Genesis Studios is a unique business located in Cayce. She stated it is South Carolina's largest full service private studio and is in its twentieth year of business. It was built to help foster growth in the film making industry in South Carolina through the use of studio facility and the creation of original content. Mayor Partin stated it is a fascinating place to visit.

### **Public Comment Regarding Items on the Agenda**

No public comment was given.

### **Resolutions and Ordinances**

- A. Consideration and Approval of Resolution Approving Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement for the Three Rivers Greenway

Council Member James made a motion to approve the Resolution approving the intergovernmental mutual aid agreement for the Three Rivers Greenway. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

- B. Approval of Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Property of the City of Cayce at Ravenscroft Road in Lloydwood Subdivision - First Reading

Ms. Rhodes explained that this property is the old Lloydwood lagoon site that the City acquired when it took over the Lloydwood Sewer system. She stated the Lloydwood Neighborhood Alliance approached the City about acquiring the property and trying to create a recreation facility of some sort on the site. The Neighborhood Alliance has contacted their County Council Member about possibly partnering with Lexington County Recreation Commission to build a park on the property. She explained that the City does not use the site and it sits empty with a fence around it. Ms. Rhodes also stated that SCDHEC has no issues with the sale or reuse of the property. She explained the deed will state that the property will revert back to the City if it is not used for recreational purposes.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve the sale of the property. Council Member James seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Ms. Rhodes explained that the sale does require an Ordinance and it needs two readings so this issue will also be on the October 1, 2013 agenda.

C. Discussion and Approval to move forward with Public Works of HeART

Mayor Partin asked if the Lexington County Gamecock Club is supporting the project. Mr. Bryan explained they are passionate about the project but he has also been working with the Marketing Director at the University of South Carolina and the project will possibly be promoted to all the Gamecock Clubs and the Alumni Club.

Mayor Partin asked what the timeline is for the project. Mr. Bryan stated that they should have full approval in two weeks and they will begin the interior painting in October and the entire tank will be finished by January 1, 2014.

Council Member Jenkins asked if the tank will initially be painted before the mural is painted on it. Ms. Rhodes answered yes it will receive an inner and outer coating before the mural is painted on. She stated staff is looking into whether or not the cost of maintenance will increase since the mural will be painted on the tank and that was not initially planned. She also stated that the bottom of the tank is painted black so it will be difficult for anyone to vandalize it.

Council Member James asked about the process of choosing a charity and voiced concern that the charity be kept in the Cayce community. Mr. Bryan explained that Public Works of HeART is looking at Harvest Hope Food Bank or Sistercare since both are local and do so much good for the community. He explained he and his wife interview each charity and look at their mission, how they would use the money and determine which charity will have the most impact and do the most good with the money given.

Council Member Corley asked if there is only one charity that will receive the funds or multiple ones. Mr. Bryan said that one charity will receive the large check but then he will probably give smaller checks to other local charities. Mayor Partin asked if the water tank project will be included in the tmemec contest for 2014. Mr. Bryan stated he thinks it would be a great contender especially since the top of the tank is painted as well which is very unusual.

Ms. Rhodes explained that staff still needs to send the design to Utilities Services; the company that handles the routine painting of all the City's water tanks, to make sure the maintenance cost of the tank won't increase significantly.

Council Member James made a motion to move forward with the Public Works of HeART project barring any significant increases in maintenance cost. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

### **City Manager's Report**

Ms. Rhodes informed Council that the City's Home Repair Program is gaining steam and has two new projects. She reminded the assembly that the City still has funding for residents that need minor home repair projects and they can contact Tara Yates to see if they are eligible. She explained that it is difficult to find contractors who are willing to work on projects that cost \$5,000 and under so the City bids the projects out together if possible.

Ms. Rhodes stated the City received funding from SCDOT for sidewalks to be installed on Riverland Drive. This will connect where the Riverwalk Park ends in Riverland Park to where Phase III of the Riverwalk begins at the parking lot. She explained the City's match is \$70,000 so funding for that amount will need to be found. The second project is a sidewalk on Julius Felder that would connect to the school. The City will need to come up with \$40,000 in matching funds.

Ms. Rhodes explained that the City has partnered with American Engineering to do a storm water drainage study for the older part of the City. This is the area that typically experiences the worst drainage issues. American Engineering currently believes they may be able to help the City free of charge. She stated the study will show how much money is needed and what actually needs to be done. She said the drainage improvements might be a good project for the City to put on the Capital Penny Sales Tax list since it will cost at least \$5 million dollars to do the improvements to the drainage issue. Ms. Rhodes explained that if the City does the study and puts pipes in all of the ditches then the ditches will belong to the City. She stated at that point the City will need to find funding to maintain the ditches. She said one possibility could be a storm water fee to help with the maintenance of the project after it is done. Another possibility is to find someone to take ownership of the ditches.

Mayor Partin reminded Ms. Rhodes that the Julius Felder Coalition had their community garden groundbreaking recently. Ms. Rhodes stated the City is a member of the Lexington County Healthy Community Partnerships Alliance and grant money was given to the Julius Felder Coalition to start a community garden. Council Member Jenkins invited everyone in the community to participate in the garden and stated he thinks everyone would enjoy it. Ms. Rhodes said the plots are open to anyone and the garden is on Allen Street.

Mr. Greenwood stated September is storm drain tagging month and the City needs community volunteers to tag storm drains. He explained the City's GIS Coordinator is working on plugging in where all the City's storm drains are so they will be mapped and the volunteers can find them easily and mark of which ones they have tagged. This project will assist the City in its overall drainage issues since it helps

educate people on what not to put in storm drains. Mayor Partin informed Mr. Greenwood that Chris Jordan with the local Boy Scouts is always looking for community projects for the Scouts to participate in.

### **Committee Matters**

- A. Approval to Enter the Following Committee Minutes into the City's Official Record

Council Member Almond made a motion to approve entering the following Committee minutes into the City's official record:

Cayce Housing Authority – April 9, 2013  
Beautification Board – April 9, 2013  
Board of Zoning Appeals – May 20, 2013  
Events Committee – July 11, 2013  
Planning Commission – July 15, 2013

Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

- B. Committee Appointments/Reappointments

Planning Commission – One Position

Mr. John Raley's term expired in September and the Planning Commission recommends his re-appointment. Council Member James made a motion to reappoint Mr. Raley to the Commission. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Mr. Marion Hutson's term on the Museum Commission expired in September but the Museum Commission has not met yet so Council Member Jenkins made a motion to table Mr. Hutson's re-appointment until a recommendation is received from the Museum Commission. Council Member James seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

### **Executive Session**

- A. Receipt of legal advice relating to a claim and potential claim by the City and other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege
- B. Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements between the City of Cayce and Lexington Two School District

- C. Discussion of contractual matters as it relates to purchase of new software

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

**Reconvene**

After the Executive Session was concluded, Council Member James made a motion to reconvene the Regular meeting. Council Member Jenkins 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**

No action was taken by Council in follow up to Executive Session.

There being no further business, Council Member James made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Almond seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Elise Partin, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mendy C. Corder, Municipal Clerk