



MINUTES

FORMAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday, September 14, 2020 - 5:30 p.m.

Greenville City Hall - Closed to the Public

Virtual Meeting Viewing: <https://www.greenvillesc.gov/meeting>

Remote Viewing Location:
Greenville Convention Center, 1 Exposition Drive – Room 102

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Knox H. White

2. **INVOCATION**

Councilmember Lillian Flemming (Suspended)

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (Suspended)

4. **ROLL CALL**

The following members of City Council were in attendance: Mayor Knox White, John DeWorken, Lillian Flemming, Ken Gibson, Wil Brasington, Russell Stall, and Dorothy Dowe

5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

August 24, 2020; Approved as submitted

6. **COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

7. **CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

None

8. **PRESENTATION**

None

9. **PUBLIC HEARING**

- a. Proposed Abandonment of Poplar Street, a portion of Chestnut Street, and a portion of Nassau Street
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)

Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper presented a request on behalf of the city of Greenville for a proposed abandonment of Poplar Street, a portion of Chestnut Street and a portion of Nassau Street for the purpose of reconfiguring properties within the proposed new city park development. Mr. Cooper stated all utilities and abutting property owners have been notified and no opposition has been received.

10. APPOINTMENTS – Boards and Commissions

- a. Green Ribbon Advisory Committee
Councilmember DeWorken recommended the appointment of Stinson Ferguson, Taylor Speer, Nathan Galbreath, and Tim Hibbard each to a full two year term ending September 30, 2022. There being no further nominations, Ms. Ferguson, Mr. Speer, Mr. Galbreath, and Mr. Hibbard were appointed by unanimous consent.
- b. Greenville Housing Authority
Councilmember Gibson recommended the appointment of Rachel Kepley to a full five year term ending September 30, 2025. There being no further nominations, Ms. Kepley was appointed by unanimous consent.
- c. Richland Cemetery Advisory Committee
Councilmember Flemming recommended the appointment of David Mitchell and Theo Mitchell each to a full two year term ending September 30, 2022. There being no further nominations, Mr. D. Mitchell and Mr. T. Mitchell were appointed by unanimous consent.
- d. Youth Commission
Councilmember Stall recommended the appointment of the following to the Youth Commission: Luke Anderson, Emmie Coler, Ava Campbell Del Collo, Molly Morgan, and Elizabeth Whelehan. There being no further nominations, Mr. Anderson, Ms. Coler, Ms. Del Collo, Ms. Morgan, and Ms. Whelehan were appointed by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA

There will be no discussion of Consent Agenda items unless a Council member so requests in which event the item in question will be considered separately.

Councilmember Dowe moved, seconded by Councilmember Stall, to approve second and final reading of agenda items 11a of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (Ordinances – Second and Final Reading)

- a. Ordinance to appropriate \$100,000 in the Miscellaneous Grant Fund for the Parallel Swamp Rabbit Trail in Unity Park
(Presented by Parks and Grounds Urban Designer Jeff Waters)

12. NEW BUSINESS – (Ordinance – First Reading)

None

13. NEW BUSINESS – (Resolutions – First and Final Reading)

None

REGULAR AGENDA

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (Ordinances – Second and Final Reading)

None

15. NEW BUSINESS – (Ordinances – First Reading)

- a. Ordinance to annex approximately 1.927 acres located at 601 Airport Road and to rezone S-1, Service district (Tax Map Numbers 0259000103100, 0259000101100, 0259000103200) (AX-5-2020)
(Presented by Senior Development Planner Kevin Howard)

Councilmember Stall moved, seconded by Councilmember Brasington, to approve first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

- b. An Ordinance to annex approximately 1.470 acres located at 3315 Augusta Street and to rezone from county zoning C-2, Commercial District, to city zoning C-2, Local Commercial District, (Tax Map Numbers M015010101402 and M015010100101) (AX-6-2020)
(Presented by Senior Development Planner Kevin Howard)

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember Dowe, to approve first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

- c. An Ordinance to appropriate \$88,510 in the Utility Undergrounding Fund for undergrounding of the AT&T Communication line along Rutherford Road in front of the Arby's and the Gateway House Projects
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)

Councilmember Flemming moved, seconded by Councilmember Gibson, to approve first reading.

Mr. Cooper stated the undergrounding project is near the location of a new pedestrian signal and the Arby's site on Rutherford Road and advised it is a continuation of a project near the QuikTrip location. Mr. Cooper also stated the project covers only AT&T poles and communications lines.

Mayor White asked if there is a gap in the area which needs undergrounding. Mr. Cooper responded there is a gap in front of the Triune Mercy Center and Tommy's Ham House. Mayor White requested staff work to complete undergrounding in that gap. Councilmember Flemming asked if there is a positive or negative impact on the Viola Street neighborhood, and Mr. Cooper responded he believes it is beneficial to the neighborhood and to pedestrians with the mast arm signal being installed.

After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- d. Ordinance to prohibit the operation of trucks on Ridge Road between East Parkins Mill Road and Duvall Drive
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember Dowe, to approve first reading.

Councilmember Flemming asked if this type of prohibition can be done for other neighborhoods and asked if the road is a state road. Mr. Cooper responded it is a state road and stated in this particular instance the neighborhood made a request and the traffic counts showed an abnormally high amount of trucks traveling on the road. Councilmember Flemming requested staff look at providing the same prohibition on East Park Avenue.

Councilmember Dowe referred to similar issues on Butler Avenue and Grove Road and asked why the same cannot be done as well. Mr. Cooper responded there has been recent discussions regarding Butler Avenue and it may come before Council soon. Mr. Cooper stated Grove Road is different because it is a primary route and the City has to show an acceptable alternate route. Councilmember Brasington expressed thanks to the Engineering Department for their efforts and referred to conversations he has had with city residents regarding traffic and alternative routes for truck traffic. Councilmember Dowe asked if Butler Avenue and Grove Road could be made priorities in consideration of the County Square redevelopment.

After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- e. Ordinance to abandon a portion of Mohawk Drive (AB-4-2020)
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)

Councilmember Stall moved, seconded by Councilmember DeWorken, to approve first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

- f. Ordinance to abandon Poplar Street, a portion of Chestnut Street, and a portion of Nassau Street within Unity Park (AB-6-2020)
(Presented by Engineering Services Manager Dwayne Cooper)

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember Stall, to approve first reading.

Councilmember Flemming confirmed the portion of Nassau Street being abandoned as the only portion being abandoned on the map.

After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- g. Ordinance approving a First Amendment to the Development Agreement between the City of Greenville and CAP Camperdown, LLC
(Presented by Real Estate Development Manager Mary Douglas Hirsch)

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember DeWorken, to approve first reading.

Real Estate Development Manager Mary Douglas Hirsch advised at the time of the approval of the Development Agreement the scope design and the cost of the public improvements were not finalized and that the amendment was always planned from the original agreement. Ms. Hirsch stated with the first amendment, the City will reimburse the developer over 25 years with a portion of the City property taxes going for the public improvements. Mayor White affirmed the public improvements are being paid for by property tax revenues from the development itself over those 25 years.

After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

16. NEW BUSINESS – (Resolution – First and Final Reading)

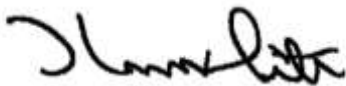
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17. STAFF REPORTS

City Manager John McDonough provided information on the following items:

- a. Bobby Pearse Community Center - The architectural plans have been approved and the project will be out for bid in the next two weeks.
- b. Unity Park - Site work continues and the grading work is 50 percent complete at the great law area.
- c. Stone Avenue - Resurfacing will begin this week, weather permitting.
- d. Delano Parking Lot - Phase 1 has been completed and should have opened to the public a few days ago. This lot will provide additional parking near Unity Park and the Swamp Rabbit Trail.
- e. Citizen Advisory Committee on Public Safety - A survey on Police Policy and Perception has been released and an early report shows over 900 responses with mostly positive feedback.

18. ADJOURN. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.



KNOX H. WHITE, MAYOR



CAMILLA G. PITMAN, MMC, Certified PLS
CITY CLERK