

Special Council Meeting

September 17, 2012 at 6 p.m.

Members Present:

Joe Owens, Mayor
Boyd Jones, Mayor Pro-Tem
Abbott L. Bray, Jr.
Eric L. Fowler
Casey Jordan Hallman
L. Dale Harley
Tommy Parler
B.J. Unthank
Teddy Wingard

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Jenny Cunningham, City Administrator
Mardi Valentino, City Clerk/PIO
Dennis Tyndall, Police Chief
Brian Carter, Director of Planning and Zoning
Donna Smith, Director of Economic Development
Sid Varn, Director of Planning and Engineering

Ken Ebener, Municipal Judge
Wyatt Coleman, Fire Chief
Matt Edwards, Police Major
Stuart Jones, Building Official
Charles Garren, Public Works Director
Members of the Public and Press

Agenda Item I – Call to Order

Mayor Owens called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and noted a quorum was present. *The State, Free Times, Lexington County Chronicle, Cayce-West Columbia News, and The Columbia Star* were notified of the meeting by e-mail on September 14, 2012.

Agenda Item II – Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Unthank gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item III – Bid Award for the Spring Street Water Line Improvements

Mayor Owens recognized Ms. Donna Smith, Director of Economic Development, who stated that the city received \$207,400.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from Lexington County to replace approximately 1,800 linear feet of rusted two-inch galvanized iron pipes with six-inch PVC lines. Ms. Smith explained that connections would be made to the existing eight-inch line at State Street and to a six-inch line at S. Lucas Street. The project includes adding three fire hydrants and installing 31 water service connections. The estimated costs also include engineering, survey, administration and job oversight fees as well as a ten percent allowance for contingencies. Ms. Smith said that after developing the design drawings and specifications, a Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued and six responsive construction bids were received on August 7, 2012. She said the low bid of \$154,696.00 was submitted by Corley Construction Company, LLC, which is a minority-owned business in Irmo, SC. After staff review of the low bidder’s qualifications, experience and references, the recommendation is to approve the bid to construct the Spring Street water line improvements to Corley Construction Company, LLC. She said the contractor, if approved, would be able to begin the project within the next two weeks. Mayor Owens recognized Council Member Unthank who made a motion to approve the low bid of \$154,696.00 submitted by Corley Construction Company, LLC. Council Member Fowler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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Agenda Item IV – Appointment to the West Columbia Beautification Foundation Board

Mayor Owens entertained a motion to appoint Mrs. Marcie Delaney to the West Columbia Beautification Foundation Board. Council Member Fowler so moved and Council Member Unthank seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item V – Adjourn to Executive Session for a Legal Matter

Mayor Owens entertained a motion to adjourn to executive session. Council Member Unthank so moved and Council Member Fowler seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council adjourned to executive session at 6:05 p.m.

Agenda Item VI– Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene to Regular Session

Mayor Owens entertained a motion to adjourn executive session and reconvene to regular session. Council Member Unthank so moved and Council Member Parler seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council reconvened to regular session at 6:55 p.m. Mayor Owens stated that no action was taken in executive session.

Agenda Item VII – Adjourn

Mayor Owens entertained a motion to adjourn. Council Member Fowler so moved and Council Member Unthank seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marta M. Valentino, CMC
City Clerk