

## City of West Columbia, SC

### Special Council Meeting

August 18, 2014 at 6 p.m.

#### Members Present:

Joe Owens, Mayor  
Casey Jordan Hallman, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Eric L. Fowler  
L. Dale Harley  
Boyd Jones  
Temus C. "Tem" Miles, Jr.  
B.J. Unthank  
Teddy Wingard

#### Members Absent:

Tommy G. Parler, out of town

#### Others Present:

Jenny Cunningham, City Administrator  
Myron Corley, Deputy City Administrator  
Sid Varn, Director of Planning and Engineer  
Donna Smith, Director of Economic Development  
Dennis Tyndall, Police Chief  
Jamie Hook, Sanitation, Streets & Parks Superintendent  
Justin Black, City Treasurer

Anna Huffman, IT Systems Administrator  
Marquis Solomon, Battalion Chief  
Ken Ebener, Municipal Judge  
Wyatt Coleman, Fire Chief  
Stuart Jones, Building Official  
Scott Morrison, Police Lieutenant  
Members of the Public and Press

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#### Agenda Item I – Call to Order

Council Chairperson B.J. Unthank called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. *The State, Free Times, Lexington County Chronicle, Cayce-West Columbia News, The Columbia Star, COLADaily.com* and radio and television stations were notified of the meeting by e-mail on August 15, 2014.

#### Agenda Item II – Determination of Quorum

Chairperson B.J. Unthank determined that a quorum of council members was present to conduct business.

#### Agenda Item III – Invocation

Council Member Harley gave the invocation.

#### Agenda Item IV – Pledge of Allegiance

All attendees at the meeting recited the Pledge of Allegiance before the flag of the United States of America.

#### Agenda Item V – Announcements by the Mayor

Chairperson Unthank recognized Mayor Owens who stated he had no announcements.

#### Agenda Item VI – Approval of Minutes for Previous Meetings

- A. Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held May 6, 2014, the Council Budget Work Session held May 19, 2014, the Public Hearing on the budget held June 3, 2014, the Public Hearings on the water/sewer rate increases and the hydrant fee increase, the Regular Council Meeting held June 3, 2014, the Special Council Meeting held June 16, 2014, the Special Council Meeting held June 20, 2014 and the Special Council Meeting held June 27, 2014. Council Member Miles so moved and Council Member Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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### Agenda Item VII – New Business

- A. Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion for consideration of a resolution for West Columbia to continue a cooperative agreement with the County of Lexington for urban entitlement. Mayor Owens so moved and Council Member Fowler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion for consideration of an intergovernmental cooperative agreement between the County of Lexington and the City of West Columbia for the Community Development Block Grant Program Home Investment Partnership Program. Mayor Owens so moved and Council Member Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion for consideration to approve an automatic aid agreement with the County of Lexington for Fire and Emergency Services. Mayor Owens so moved and Council Member Parler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- D. Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion for consideration to terminate the current automatic aid agreement with the County of Lexington executed October 6, 2006. Council Member Miles so moved and Council Member Wingard seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- E. Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion for consideration to approve a service agreement with Lexington County Communications for dispatching fire calls. Mayor Owens so moved and Mayor Pro-Tem Hallman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### Agenda Item VIII – Adjourn to Executive Session to Discuss a Legal Matter

Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss a legal matter. Council Member Parler so moved and Council Member Miles seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council adjourned to executive session at 6:19 p.m.

### Agenda Item IX – Reconvene to Regular Session

Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion to adjourn executive session and reconvene to regular session. Mayor Owens so moved and Council Member Parler seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council reconvened to regular session at 6:27 p.m. Chairperson Unthank stated that no action was taken in executive session.

### Agenda Item X – Adjournment

Chairperson Unthank entertained a motion to adjourn. Council Member Parler so moved and Mayor Owens seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marta M. Valentino, CMC  
City Clerk/Public Information Officer