



SUMTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Mayor David P. Merchant

Attendee Name	Title	Status
David P. Merchant	Mayor	Present
Thomas J. Lowery	Mayor Pro-Tempore, Ward 1	<i>Deceased (11/02/2022)</i>
James B. Blassingame	Councilman, Ward 2	Present
Calvin K. Hastie, Sr.	Councilman, Ward 3	Present
Steven H. Corley	Councilman, Ward 4	Present
Colin C. Davis	Councilman, Ward 5	Present
Gifford M. Shaw	Councilman, Ward 6	Present

City Staff:

Attendee Name	Title
Deron McCormick	City Manager
Howie Owens	Assistant City Manager
Linda Hammett	City Clerk
Staci Johnson	Administrative Services Director
CC Newman	Records Management Administrator
Mark Partin	Organizational Improvement Director
Beth Reames	Finance Director
Helen Roodman	Planning Director
Michael Geddings	Public Services Director
Shelley Kile	Communications & Tourism
Jonathan Flinchum	Asst. Finance Director
Clarence Gaines	Community Development
Russell Roark	City of Sumter Police Chief
Danny Crowe	General Counsel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council is asked to approve the March 21, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes. **Approved**

Motion: Coley

Second: Hastie

Vote: 6-0



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OLD BUSINESS

1. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Ratifications	Board/Commission
None	

- 2. PD-00-08 (REVISION 25), BRUSHWOOD DRIVE AND CONSTITUTION DRIVE – ADDITIONAL TOWNHOUSE UNITS** Consider Final Reading of **Ordinance No. 2801** to amend the existing Sumter West Planned Development (PD-00-08) to increase the number of units allowed within the Townhouse Development on Brushwood and Constitution Drives from 44 to 52 in accordance with a site-specific development plan. **Approved**

Motion: Shaw Second: Davis Vote: 6-0

3. LEASE PURCHASE AMENDMENT

Consider Final Reading of **Ordinance No. 2802** to amend an ordinance entitled: “An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution, Delivery, and Performance of a Lease-Purchase Agreement and Other Documents Relating to the Lease-Purchase Financing of Certain Vehicles and Equipment in an Aggregate Principal Amount of Not Exceeding \$2,285,000, and Other Matters Relating Thereto” to amend the authorized use of a portion of proceeds of such financing. **Approved**

Motion: Davis Second: Blassingame Vote: 6-0

4. MUNICIPAL SERVICE AGREEMENT

Consider Final Reading of **Ordinance No. 2803** to adopt an addendum to the Municipal Electric Service Agreement with Duke Energy Progress, LLC, concerning its Overhead to Underground Conversion Plan. **Approved**

Motion: Corley Second: Hastie Vote: 6-0

NEW BUSINESS

1. Budget

Receive preliminary draft budget for Fiscal Year 2024.



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2. Community Development

Consider First Reading of an ordinance to amend the CDBG Budget for the year 2023-2024. **Approved**

Motion: Hastie Second: Blassingame Vote: 6-0

3. Lease of Property

Consider First Reading of an ordinance to authorize the lease of a City-owned building located on Pine Street near Church Street (formerly the old Jaycees Hut building) to Sumter United Ministries. **Approved (with amendments)**

Motion: Corley Second: Hastie Vote: 6-0

4. Procurement Resolution

Consider **Resolution No. 899** authorizing a contract for the construction of a Temporary Call Center and Storage Building for the Police and Fire Departments. **Approved**

Motion: Hastie Second: Blassingame Vote: 6-0

5. South Carolina Revenue Services

Consider First Reading of an ordinance entitled: "An Ordinance Authorizing and Directing the City of Sumter to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to South Carolina Local Revenue Services; to Participate in One or More Local Revenue Service Programs; to Execute and Deliver One or More Participant Program Supplements; and Other Matters Relating Thereto". **Approved**

Motion: Corley Second: Davis Vote: 6-0

6. Police Department

- Chief Russell Roark
- Annual report presentation of activities from the Sumter Police Department for the 2022 calendar year.

7. Council Report

Receive comments from Council Members concerning matters of interest to the Council and the City of Sumter.

- James B. Blassingame
- Met with board members from the historic Walker Cemetery. Very pleased with the staff follow-up.
 - Attended the funeral service for the children of the Holiday family recently murdered in the Sumter community.

