



MINUTES
LIBERTY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
April 11, 2022 – 6:30 PM
Rosewood Center, 419 East Main Street

Welcome and Call to Order (Mayor Woods)

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor's Announcements

- 1. Introduction of new Finance Coordinator, Mandy K. Hess**
- 2. Presentation by Esther Wagner with Palmetto Pride - postponed**
- 3. Announcement of the mascot winner – The Eagle**

Public Session (Speakers are allowed 3 minutes)

Allen Toole – New restrictions on core commercial

Brian Petersen – Resolution, Restricted Funds – Water and Zoning/Planning – Core Commercial – Change Proposed

Kenneth Thomas – Rezone commercial district

Approval of Minutes – (old to new)

1. March 14th, 2022 – Regular Session

Councilmember Hayes made a motion to open discussion regarding the minutes, with Councilmember Graybeal seconding the motion. The motion Passed 7-0. Councilmember Hayes made a motion to amend the minutes, with Councilmember Edwards seconding the motion. Before the vote, Councilmember Edwards recommended more specificity regarding the minutes. The vote to approve amended minutes passed 7-0.

Resolutions

1. Adoption of Resolution 2022-07 Electing the Standard Allowance for Lost Allowance for Lost Revenues Under the American Rescue Plan

A motion to postpone the vote on the resolution was made by Councilmember Graybeal and seconded by Councilmember Whitaker. Discussion was had with Councilmember Graybeal unclear regarding different uses including the potential incoming infrastructure funds. Councilmember Edwards discussed fear of unrestricting funds and not using until balanced. Councilmember Graybeal noted that the funds would still be restricted to the council-passed Strategic Plan. The vote to postpone vote passed 7-0.

Ordinances (First Readings)

1. First Reading of Ordinance 2022-01 An Amendment to Establish a Board of Zoning Appeals

Councilmember Graybeal made a motion to postpone the first reading of the ordinance, with Councilmember Hayes seconding the motion. Councilmember Graybeal pointed out the fact that the ordinance still reflected three member and not the five the ordinance was proposing. The vote to postpone passed 7-0.

2. First Reading of Ordinance 2022-02 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 18, Article IV, Section 502.5 Other Requirements of RM-8 Multi Family District of The Official Zoning Ordinance of The City of Liberty, South Carolina

A motion supporting the first reading was made by Councilmember Graybeal, with Councilmember Shoenleben seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed 5-2, with Councilmembers Hayes and Edwards in dissent.

3. First Reading of Ordinance 2022-03 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 18, Article IV, Section 503.5 Other Requirements of RM-16 Multi Family District of the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Liberty, South Carolina

A motion supporting the first reading was made by Councilmember Graybeal, with Councilmember Shoenleben seconding the motion. Discussion was had with Councilmember Newberry asking if the proposed ordinance is different than the original. Councilmember Hayes also spoke regarding the original. The motion passed 4-3, with Councilmembers Newberry, Hayes, Edwards in dissent.

Department Head Reports

Police Department	(Adam Gilstrap)
Fire Department	(Chris Rowland)
Public Works/Utility Department	(Tim Moore)
Recreation Department	(Austin Lynch)
Building Official	(Mayor)

City Administrator Report

Monthly Finance Report
Administrator's Report


City Council Reports/Discussion

Robbie Shoenleben – *no report*
Peggy Edwards – *'spent time downtown' asked for public input. Council 'not communicating well'. Writing a communication policy for next working session.*
Daniel Graybeal – *spoke of new sound system and installation, Zoom start, and noted improvements still happening*
Archie Newberry – *no report*
John Hayes – *encouraged those interested to get involved in the process. If citizens have concerns, 'talk to us'*
Rhonda Whitaker – *no report*

Motion to Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Graybeal with Councilmember Edwards seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed 7-0.

Approved as Written  - Mayor


Administrator May 9, 2022