



**MINUTES
LIBERTY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
August 14th, 2023, at 6:30 PM
Liberty Recreation City Gym
318 W Main St, Liberty, SC 29657**

Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. at the Liberty Recreation City Gym, 318 W. Main St. Liberty, SC 29657, regarding amending the original redistricting plan. It started at 6:02 p.m. and ended at 6:03 p.m.

Public Hearing at 6:15 pm at the Liberty Recreation City Gym, 318 W. Main St. Liberty, SC 29657, regarding amending the 2023-2024 General Budget. It started at 6:15 p.m. and ended at 6:18 p.m.

Welcome and Call to Order Mayor Woods at 6:30 pm

Invocation *Giving by: Mayor Erica Romo Woods*

Pledge of Allegiance

****Mayor's Announcements**

The City of Liberty is happy to announce that the Liberty History Museum will open at the Rosewood Center. Chris Hanson will be overseeing the Liberty History Museum.

Public Session (Speakers are allowed 3 minutes)-

Allen Crandell

Aaron Benson

Approval of Minutes –

July 10th, 2023- Regular Session

Motion: Councilmember Massie, second: Councilmember Lavant, No Discussion, Vote: 7/7

August 1st, 2023- Special Called Session

Motion: Councilmember Graybeal, second: Councilmember Whitaker, No Discussion, Vote: 7/7

Unfinished/ Old Business: (2nd Readings)-

- 2023-06 AN ORDINANCE CORRECTING AND UPDATING THE REDISTRICTING MAP PREPARED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE TO ACCURATELY REFLECT CHANGES TO CITY BOUNDARIES THAT OCCURRED BETWEEN THE COMPLETION OF THE UNITED STATES 2020 DECENNIAL CENSUS AND THE STATE'S PREPARATION OF THE INITIAL REDISTRICTING MAP.

Motion: Councilmember Arms, second: Councilmember Graybeal, No Discussion, Vote: 7/7

- 2023-10 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY AUTHORIZING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE PROJECT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT RELATED TO THE FINANCING AND DEVELOPMENT OF A PROJECT AS DEFINED UNDER TITLE 6, CHAPTER 25 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1976, AS AMENDED; AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Motion: Councilmember Shoenleben, second: Councilmember Padgett, -

Mayor Woods made a Motion to amend Section 3 to add subsection (b) to authorize the amendment of the "Planning Phase" definition in the Project Participation Agreement as shown in the handout.

*-Motion: Councilmember Graybeal, second: Councilmember Shoenleben, No Discussion, Vote: 6/7 Councilmember Massie abstained.
Vote for 2023-10 6/7 Councilmember Massie abstained.*

New Business: (1st Readings & Resolutions)-

- 2023-06 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PICKENS COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

Motion: Councilmember Massie, second: Councilmember Arms, No Discussion, Vote: 7/7

- 2023-09 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2023-2024 GENERAL BUDGET

Motion: Councilmember Shoenleben, second: Councilmember Whitaker, Councilmember Arms asked if this would impact residents outside city limits. Administrator Calvert replied to no. Vote: 6/7 Councilmember Arms abstained.

- 2023-11 AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE PARCELS 127 MAPLECROFT ST. TAX MAP #4087-12-86-9717 FROM 501 MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO 501(A) MEDIUM DENSITY AND DUPLEX RESIDENTIAL

*Motion: Councilmember Massie, second: Councilmember Graybeal. Councilmember Graybeal stated he did not believe it was a good fit. He has several reached out about this rezoning. Councilmember Arms asked if the Council has discussed an area for duplexes. Administrator Calvert stated this would be looked into during the Compensation plan.
Vote: ALL OPPOSED*

Department Head Reports/Discussion-

Police Department	(Adam Gilstrap)
Public Works/Utility Department	(Tim Moore)
Recreation Department	(Joshua Black)
Community Development	(Philip Trotter)

**City Administrator Report-
Administrator's Report**


City Council Reports/Discussion-

Robbie Shoenleben	(Ward 1)
Lavant Padgett	(Ward 2)- <i>Lavant discussed his dislike of the beer day post.</i>
Daniel Graybeal	(Ward 3)
Jeff Massie	(Ward 4)
Rhonda Whitaker	(At-Large)- <i>Councilmember Whitaker stated that no one has reached out to her yet, and she would love to hear more from our Citizens with questions.</i>
Zachary Arms	(At-Large)- <i>Councilmember Arms suggested adding a section on events on the strategic plan to help determine what the council wanted city events to look like. Arms stated that this year's Liberty High School homecoming parade theme is Liberty, Camera, Action. The game will be on October 13th hosting 96. This theme is from student body president Ethan Frock. Looking for solutions to space out the game and the homecoming parade. They will recognize the 10-year anniversary of the class of 2013, the 25th-year anniversary of the class of 1998, and the 50th-year anniversary of the class of 1973.</i>

Adjournment

Motion: Councilmember Graybeal, second: Councilmember Arms, No Discussion, Vote: 7/7

Approval Date: 9/11/23


Erica Romo Woods, Mayor


Clerk to Council, Bailee Locke