

Council Chambers  
Regular Session  
Monday, August 9, 2010

**CITIZENS' HEARING 5:30 P.M**

The City Council received an update on the progress of preparations for Christmasville. Mr. Alan Miller, Chair of Christmasville, and Mr. John Rinehart, President of the Christmasville Board of Governors, presented the item to the City Council.

Mr. Jethro DeVane, property owner in Rock Hill, addressed the City Council regarding concerns with a property he owns in the community.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Sutton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council moved into Executive Session for consideration of the following items: for discussion of contractual negotiations involving a property near Cherry Road and to receive attorney client privileged legal advice related to this matter; to receive legal advice related to two agreements for the extension of water and sewer to property outside City limits and to receive attorney client privileged legal advice related to this matter; for discussion of the employment of an employee and to receive attorney client privileged legal advice related to this matter; to consider contractual negotiations involving a property near Anderson Road and the Utilities Department and to receive attorney client privileged legal advice related to this matter; and for discussion of Council appointments to City Boards and Commissions.

**RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION**

The City Council returned to Open Session and the Mayor reported that no action was taken during Executive Session.

**REGULAR SESSION 6:00 P.M.**

Council met in Regular Session with Mayor Echols, Mayor Pro Tem Hinton, and Councilmembers Black, Pender, Reno and Sutton present. Councilmember Roddey was absent. Also present were City Manager Carey Smith, Assistant City Manager Gerald E. Schapiro, Assistant City Manager/Municipal Clerk David Vebaun, and City Attorney Paul Dillingham. Herald reporter Matt Garfield was also in attendance.

After Mayor Echols called the meeting into session the entire assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVED THE MINUTES OF SPECIAL SESSION OF JULY 26, 2010**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hinton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council approved the minutes of the Special Session of July 26, 2010.

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2010-24 OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO –**

Adopted

An ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2010-24 OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO was given second reading and adopted upon a motion by Councilmember Reno which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

**ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS IN ORDER TO FUND A PORTION OF THE COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEMOLITION, CLEAN-UP AND ABATEMENT ACTIVITIES AND ALL OTHER ELIGIBLE EXPENSES RELATED TO THE REMOVAL OF FRIABLE ASBESTOS FROM THE FORMER ROCK HILL PRINTING AND FINISHING INDUSTRIAL SITE LOCATED ALONG WHITE STREET IN ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA** – First Reading

An ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS IN ORDER TO FUND A PORTION OF THE COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEMOLITION, CLEAN-UP AND ABATEMENT ACTIVITIES AND ALL OTHER ELIGIBLE EXPENSES RELATED TO THE REMOVAL OF FRIABLE ASBESTOS FROM THE FORMER ROCK HILL PRINTING AND FINISHING INDUSTRIAL SITE LOCATED ALONG WHITE STREET IN ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA was given first reading upon motion by Councilmember Hinton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved. This ordinance authorizes certain amendments to the Demolition, Abatement and Purchase Agreement previously executed with Action Demolition and RHP&F. In order to provide a portion of the funding for demolition and abatement work related to the friable asbestos on the Bleachery site, the City has applied for DHEC and federal stimulus monies related to Brownfields loans and grant. In order to utilize these funds, estimated at \$1,500,000.00, the City must adopt this ordinance approving of the City entering into agreements related to the Brownfields loans and grant.

The basic terms of the Catawba Regional \$1,500,000 deal which remain subject to formal EPA and credit approval are as follows: \$350,000 in ARRA funding is available – subject to ARRA terms and guidelines. The real estate collateral for this deal will be the City parking deck. \$1,150,000 of the total is comprised of two loans. The first loan would close around September 3, 2010 and the second loan will close at the time of completion of demolition. These loans have below market interest rates and terms of no more than 2%. There is a 10 year term on the loan and 30% of the loan will be forgiven if all requirements are met.

City Manager Carey F. Smith presented the item to the City Council.

**APPROVED A RESOLUTION FOR A LEGISLATIVE BODY RELATING TO A MONEY PURCHASE PLAN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Black which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council approved a resolution for a legislative body relating to a money purchase plan. The resolution provides for the establishment of a money purchase retirement plan for the City's employees by providing funds for retirement and funds for their beneficiaries in the event of death. The Plan will be administered by ICMA-RC and the funds will be invested in the VantageTrust, a trust established by public employers for the collective investment of funds held under their retirement and deferred compensation plans. This plan serves as an option to the existing 401K plan.

City Manager Carey F. Smith presented the item to the City Council.

**APPROVED A TRAFFIC COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION TO RESTRICT PARKING ON ONE SIDE OF ERRIN ROAD WITHIN THE PENNINGTON PLACE TOWNHOME ASSOCIATION**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hinton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council approved a Traffic Commission recommendation to restrict parking on one side of Errin Road within the Pennington Place Townhome Association. The HOA is primarily concerned about maintaining sufficient access for the provision of public services (fire, ambulance, trash, etc.) and site distance along this road – which they believe is impaired with residents routinely parking on both sides of the street.

Mr. David Hooper, Transportation Planner, presented the item to the City Council.

**ANNOUNCED SMARTSWITCH WINNER**

This month's SmartSwitch winner, chosen at random by computer, is Walter Sexton. This customer will receive a \$100 credit on their next utility bill.

**CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no City Council Committee reports

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

There was no miscellaneous business.

**RETURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council returned to Executive Session after adding an item related to a contractual matter with Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department.

**RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION**

The City Council returned to Open Session and the Mayor reported that no action was taken during Executive Session.

**Appointments to City Boards and Commissions:**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hinton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council approved the following appointments to City Boards and Commissions:

**Committee on Human Relations**

Virginia Moe, 2227 Mancke Drive, for a term to expire on January 26, 2012.

**MLK Committee**

Ms. Sylvia Berry, 1616 Herndon Farm Road, for a term to expire on September 14, 2013.

Mr. David Boone, 434 Charlotte Avenue, for a term to expire on September 14, 2013.

Mr. Scott Huffmon, 958 Mallard Drive, for a term to expire on September 14, 2013.

Mr. Anthony Johnson, 1722 Woodbrook Place, for a term to expire on September 14, 2013.