



MINUTES FORMAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, September 9, 2022 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Judicial Building, Council Chambers, 300 Wall Street

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6JiYlrM1NUcM8Ea8BLXCfA>

1. Call to Order- Mayor McLeer

Mayor McLeer called the meeting to order.

All Councilmembers were present except Councilmember Blackstone.

Staff present: Russell Alexander, Shawn Bell, Elizabeth Carpenter, Greg Gordos, Russell Haltiwanger, Michael Hamilton, Christy Jamerson, Eduardo Noriega, Naomi Reed, Russell Slatton, Rebecca Mejia-Ward, Austin Waters, Melissa Woods, Sandra Woods

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor McLeer gave the invocation.

3. Public Forum - Persons wishing to speak may signup 15 minutes prior to the meeting. Signups will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Your remarks will be limited to 3 minutes.

Reverend David Kennedy spoke concerning race relations.

Nancy Garrison spoke concerning growth.

4. City Administrator's Report - Shawn M. Bell

Mr. Bell reviewed departmental reports with Council.

a. August Reports

Mr. Bell reviewed the August activities by department.

5. Consent Agenda- There will be no discussion of Consent Agenda items unless a Council member so requests in which event the item in question will be considered separately.

a. **Approve August 4, 2022 Special Called Council Meeting Minutes
Approve August 11, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Clemmer, second by Councilmember Garrett to approve August 4, 2022 Special Called Council Meeting Minutes and approve August 11, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

6. **Unfinished Business -**

a. **Second Reading, Ordinance 2022-8 - Amending Section 2-74 of the Code of Ordinances; Administrative Procedures**

Mayor McLeer explained that Ordinance 2022-8 gives the Council the ability, by unanimous consent, to alter its rules for one item at one time during one meeting.

Motion by Mayor McLeer, second by Councilmember Thomason to approve on second Reading, Ordinance 2022-8. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

b. **Second Reading, Ordinance 2022-9 - Adding Section 2-76 of the Code of Ordinances; Board Attendance**

Mayor McLeer explained that ordinance 2022-9 requires that any board or commission of the city requires at least 75% attendance for the scheduled meetings; Special called meetings do not apply. The ordinance also provides that members may be removed with cause.

Motion by Mayor McLeer, second by Councilmember Don to approve on second reading, Ordinance 2022-9. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

c. **Second Reading, Ordinance 2022-10 - Amending Section 12:4 of Appendix A (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances; Zoning Approving Procedures**

Mayor McLeer explained that Ordinance 2022-10 requires a 7-day waiting period between planning commission action and council consideration.

Motion by Mayor McLeer, second by Mayor Pro Tem Clemmer to approve on second reading, Ordinance 2022-10. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

d. **Second Reading, Ordinance 2022-11, Amending Section 12:5 of Appendix A (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances; Zoning Petition Procedure**

Mayor McLeer explained this ordinance is the last bit of cleanup to the code stating the Mayors vote carries more weight than Council. The vote

will be favorable with two-thirds of the council present and voting.

Motion by Mayor McLeer, second by Councilmember Garrett to approve on second reading, Ordinance 2022-11. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

e. Second Reading, Ordinance 2022-12, Speed Humps

Mr. Bell stated that Ordinance 2022-12 amends Chapter 19 (Traffic and Motor Vehicles) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fountain Inn, South Carolina, 1992, as amended ("Code") to add Section 19-6 (Speed Humps). The purpose of this section is to provide for the evaluation and selection of roadways for the installation of Speed Humps. Mr. Bell reviewed the remainder of the ordinance with Council.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Clemmer, second by Councilmember Sanders to approve on second reading, Ordinance 2022-12. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

7. New Business

a. Execute an Emergency Agreement with Safebuilt for Building Official Services

Mr. Bell stated this resolution authorizes the City Administrator to execute an emergency agreement with SafeBuilt for Building Official Services beginning September 12, 2022 for a term of one year. The staff has consulted with King Kozlarek and contract negotiations are being finalized.

Motion by Mayor McLeer, second by Councilmember Don to execute an emergency agreement with Safebuilt for Building Official Services. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

b. R 2022-8 A Resolution committing the City of Fountain Inn to providing a local match for a Municipal Association Economic Development Grant and following its Procurement Policy when securing services and products with grant funds

Mr. Bell stated the Economic Development Grant is \$25,000 and the in-kind match would be \$2,500. This grant will help fund the Splash Pad parking lot.

Motion by Councilmember Thomason, second by Councilmember Sanders to approve R 2022-8. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

8. Appointments

- a. **Re-Appoint Judge Rebecca Hand, Judge Anthony Duarte and Judge William Hawkins for a two-year term.**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Clemmer, second by Councilmember Garrett to re-appoint Judge Rebecca Hand, Judge Anthony Duarte and Judge William Hawkins for a two-year term beginning 9/1/2022. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

9. Executive Session -

Motion by Councilmember Thomason, second by Councilmember Garrett to meet in executive session. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

- a. **Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location and provision of services for Project Ostrich.**

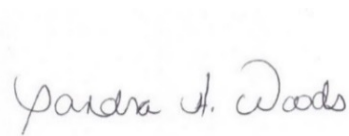
After coming out of executive session Council may vote on items discussed during executive session.

Back in Regular Session.

Mayor McLeer stated no votes were taken while in executive session.

10. Adjourn

Motion by All to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandra H. Woods".

Sandra H. Woods, CMC
Municipal Clerk