

**Regular Council Meeting**  
**June 8, 2015**  
**Council Chamber – Clemson City Hall**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Pro Tem Tim Fowler at 7:30 p.m.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Pro Tem Fowler

**Members present:** Mayor Pro Tem Fowler presiding, Council Members Chapman, Cox, Ducworth, Hay, and Oswald. **Absent:** Mayor J.C. Cook, III

**Media present:** Greg Oliver – the *Journal*

**Notification emailed:** June 3, 2015 to the *Greenville News*, the *Journal*, the *Independent Mail*, the *Pickens Sentinel*, the *Easley Progress*; WSNW Radio, WYFF Channel 4, WSPA Channel 7 and Fox 21 TV News

**Public Session:** Mayor Pro Tem Fowler presiding – No public comments.

**Approval of Minutes:** May 18, 2015 approved as presented.

**Reports/Discussion Agenda:**

Receive a report from Director of Clemson University Planning & Design Office, Gerald Vander Mey, on the current planned construction at Clemson University – Mr. Vander Mey provided a Capital Project Update for the University: Academic-Watt Family Innovation Center, Freeman Hall Addition, Advanced Technology Education Center, and Serrine Replacement Building; Student Affairs & Housing – Outdoor Wellness and Fitness Center, Douthitt Hills Development, and Core Campus Housing; Athletics – Kingsmore Stadium Addition, Westzone Component III, Memorial Stadium Suites Renovation, Littlejohn Coliseum Renovation, and Football Operations Building. He said the University has housing for 6,000 students on campus and have approximately 20,000 students.

Receive a report on the Pacolet Milliken presentation from May 21st Charrette meeting – Mr. Rick Cotton, City Administrator stated that the posters in the Council Chamber lobby show the different options for the design plan and a link is on the City's website for the entire presentation. There should be a final plan in the next 60-90 days.

**Staff and Council Reports:**

Mr. Rick Cotton, City Administrator reported that Mayor Cook asked that Council make their notes from the ITGA conference to discuss ideas at a work session at a later date. Representative Clary is working with staff and the Developer on the traffic/safety issues with the Grandmarc project and a meeting is scheduled with SCDOT tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. The construction work for the Hwy 123 retaining wall will start next week. There will be lane closures and media releases/email blast will be sent to notify the community.

Ms. Jennifer Folz, City Planner invited Council to come out with the "Friends of the Green Crescent" to ride on the trail during the week of July 20<sup>th</sup>- 24<sup>th</sup> to learn how it was constructed and requested a confirmation of attendees at the next meeting.

**Policy/Action Agenda:**

Consider 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to amend the Code of Laws of the City of Clemson, Article II-Governing Body, Division 2-Rules of Procedure, Section 2-37 (a) – Meetings – Regular, which amends the starting time of regular meetings of City Council from 7:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. – Mr. Cotton, City Administrator presented this item with no changes since 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Council Member Cox made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ducworth to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to amend the Code of Laws of the City of Clemson, Article II-Governing Body, Division 2-Rules of Procedure, Section 2-37 (a) – Meetings – Regular, which amends the starting time of regular meetings of City Council from 7:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Vote on this motion was unanimous. (*See attached.*)

Consider 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to rezone 3.72 acres located on the eastern side of the intersection of Earle and Fendley Streets in Downtown Clemson from RM-3, Multi-Family Residential District to Planned Development for Collegiate Housing Group – Ms. Sharon Richardson, Planning & Codes Director presented this item and noted a few changes to the Ordinance. Planning Commission has recommended approval of the PD. Collegiate Development Group provided an overview of the project, the site plan and a landscape plan. Council Member Cox made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ducworth to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to rezone 3.72 acres located on the eastern side of the intersection of Earle and Fendley Streets in Downtown Clemson from RM-3, Multi-Family Residential District to Planned Development for Collegiate Housing Group. Council had detailed discussion about the loss of hardwood trees, stormwater issues, business/employee parking and the project in respect to the existing business “Groucho’s”. Mr. Rick Cotton, City Administrator stated that the City cannot hold up a development because of a land holder that refuses to sell his property or assume developer will be able to purchase a parcel at a later date. The Collegiate Housing Group requested an opportunity to address the concerns of Council with an additional work session. Council Member Cox made a motion to withdraw the motion and table the item. Council Member Ducworth seconded the motion. Vote on this motion was unanimous. Council scheduled a Work Session for 8:00 a.m. Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>.

Consider 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance for a proposed Zoning Map Amendment 2015-R-12 Property Quest LLC, / Michael Newton; a request to rezone 209 Kelly Rd (1.65 acres) from CP-2, Community Business to RM-4, Multi-family Residential – Ms. Jennifer Folz, City Planner presented this item and stated that it will reduce the non-conforming use in the non-conforming structure. The Planning Commission recommended approval. Council Member Chapman made a motion, seconded by Council Member Cox to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance for a proposed Zoning Map Amendment 2015-R-12 Property Quest LLC, / Michael Newton; a request to rezone 209 Kelly Rd (1.65 acres) from CP-2, Community Business to RM-4, Multi-family Residential. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance for a proposed text amendment 2015-R-11 to amend Section 19-405, Table 19-405 to Clarify Grade Level Uses along Public Rights-of-Way for Mixed Use Structures – Ms. Jennifer Folz, City Planner that clarifies the use specific to the ground floor and not all floors. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the amendment. Council Member Ducworth made a motion, seconded by Council Member Oswald to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance for a proposed text amendment 2015-R-11 to amend Section 19-405, Table 19-405 to Clarify Grade Level Uses along Public Rights-of-Way for Mixed Use Structures. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider approval of Clemson Area Transit request for proposal results and award of contract to Passio/Transloc as the vendor for GPS for all buses in the fleet, and authorizing a formal request for FTA Section 5339 Grant Funding for GTA and GPATS for this capital investment – Council Member Oswald recused himself due to bidding as a vendor on the RFP. Mr. Al Babinicz, CAT Director and Mr. Lowell Arwood, IT Director presented this item with the RFP details and scoring process of the bids. Mr. Arwood stated it was a unanimous decision and the amount is based on 30 units. Council Member Ducworth made a motion, seconded by Council Member Cox to approve the award of contract to Passio/Transloc as the vendor for GPS for all buses in the fleet, and authorizing a formal request for FTA Section 5339 Grant Funding for GTA and GPATS for this capital investment. Vote on this motion was unanimous. (*See attached.*)

Consider bid award of a contract for water and sewer utility replacement for the Old Calhoun District Streetscape project to Payne, McGinn & Cummins in the amount of \$200,301.00 – Mr. Kent Guthrie, City Engineer presented this item from negotiations between contractors after the lowest bid in May exceeded the budget. Council Member Ducworth made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hay to approve an award of contract for water and sewer utility replacement for the Old Calhoun District Streetscape project to Payne, McGinn & Cummins in the amount of \$200,301.00. Vote on this motion was unanimous. (*See attached.*)

Consider 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to raise revenue and adopt an annual budget for the City of Clemson for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 – Mr. Rick Cotton, City Administrator presented this item and provided replacement pages to update the proposed budget. He stated that the budget included additional employees, the new stormwater utility and a 2 mill property tax increase. Council Member Oswald made a motion, seconded by Council Member Chapman to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to raise revenue and adopt an annual budget for the City of Clemson for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. Vote on this motion was unanimous. Mr. Cotton noted that the public hearing for the proposed budget is at 6:00 p.m. June 15<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved

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Beverly A. Coleman, CMC

By: \_\_\_\_\_

J.C. Cook III, Mayor