

**Regular Council Meeting  
December 5, 2016  
Council Chamber, Clemson City Hall**

**Call to Order:** Mayor J.C. Cook, III at 6:30 p.m.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** Council Member Cox

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

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

**Notification emailed:** December 1, 2016 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 Tim Fowler presiding – No public comments.

**Approval of Minutes:** November 22, 2016 approved as presented.

**Reports/Discussion Agenda:**

Review and discuss a Proposal from DesignWorks Consulting firm to Pacolet Milliken Enterprises for park land and facility planning at the PME Planned Development site. Discuss the potential for one or more of the park locations to become City- owned park land in the future – Mr. Rick Cotton, City Administrator presented the proposal with a rendering of the park land and greenspace areas. He said there are options to consider, the parks can be within the residential areas as a feature to the HOA and restricted to those members; or the City can participate with the planning/development, that will give City ownership and will allow public access; or a hybrid option for some of both. The City has been invited to participate and staff recommended to participate but it will require financial assistance. This item will be on the agenda for a formal vote at the next meeting.

**Staff and Council reports:**

Mr. Rick Cotton, City Administrator provided an update on the City's self-funded health insurance fund balance. He reported on the SCDOT delays in permitting the Berkeley Dr. Pedestrian Bridge project for the notice to proceed, the permit should be issued this week. Staff has made changes to the specifications on the Cochran Rd WWT project for rebid that will allow significant cost savings and the re-bid deadline is December 20<sup>th</sup>. The Rental Housing Suspension Hearing originally scheduled for tonight's meeting has been rescheduled to December 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. as requested by the owner. The Dan Boyles and Associates meeting was cancelled today because of travel delays. The MASC Hometown Legislative Action Day is on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Council Member Chapman reported on the JCUAB meeting with the results from the relationship survey with 2700 responses. He said this will empower an intense project and that the

survey reaffirmed the historical relationship between the City and the University. He also reported on the CAT bus re-imagine project presentation that included comments from riders and non-riders of transit service.

**Policy/Action Agenda:**

Consider the request of the Clemson Area Chamber of Commerce to waive parking regulations and time limits in Downtown Clemson for the period of December 17, 2016 through January 8, 2017 for the purpose of enhancing Christmas shopping convenience of downtown merchants – Mr. David Lane, Clemson Area Chamber requested the waiver to benefit the downtown merchants for the holiday break. There will be 4 hours free street parking on College Avenue and in the open parking spaces of the parking deck. He said the Chamber will encourage the merchant's employees not to fill up these spaces. They will provide banners, flyers and signage to inform the public of the free parking. Council Member Ducworth made a motion, seconded by Council Member Cox to approve the request of the Clemson Area Chamber of Commerce to waive parking regulations and time limits in Downtown Clemson for the period of December 17, 2016 through January 8, 2017 for the purpose of enhancing Christmas shopping convenience of downtown merchants. Vote on this motion was unanimous. (*See attached.*)

Consider setting a public hearing date for several Proposed Changes to the Zoning Ordinance - Todd Steadman, Director of Planning and Codes Administration presented this request for a public hearing on five proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance from the Planning Commissions. Council set the public hearing date for Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Consider 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance that authorizes issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes for the purpose of paying costs of the Cochran Road Wastewater Treatment Plant engineering services for the future plant expansion and costs of construction of the office and laboratory building – Mr. Rick Cotton, City Administrator presented the Ordinance and stated that the bond will not be issued until late spring or when needed but the Ordinance is required to allow staff to issue notes. Council Member Fowler made a motion, seconded by Council Member Cox to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance that authorizes issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes for the purpose of paying costs of the Cochran Road Wastewater Treatment Plant engineering services for the future plant expansion and costs of construction of the office and laboratory building. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider changing the date or canceling the January 2, 2017 Council Meeting as this falls on a holiday – Council rescheduled the regular Council meeting of January 2<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon.

There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved

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Beverly A. Coleman, CMC

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J.C. Cook III, Mayor