

CITY OF COLUMBIA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2001
10:00 A.M. - 1737 MAIN STREET
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The City of Columbia City Council met Wednesday, May 16, 2001, 10:00 a.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Mayor Robert D. Coble called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Council members present were: The Honorable E. W. Cromartie, The Honorable Francenia B. Heizer, The Honorable Anne M. Sinclair, and The Honorable Jim Papadea, The Honorable Hamilton Osborne, Jr., and The Honorable Sam Davis. Also attending were Ms. Leona K. Plaugh, City Manager and Ms. Peggy S. Breeland, City Clerk.

I. ROLL CALL

II. PRESENTATIONS

A. Introduction to Engineering Program Awards

Ms. Lisa Blakley Muzekari, B.P. Barber and Associates, Inc. and Mr. Archie Maddox, City of Columbia presented Achievement Certificates to the W.G. Sanders Middle School students who successfully participated in the "Introduction to Engineering Program" sponsored by the City and Richland County School District One.

B. Celebrate Freedom - South Columbia Development Corporation

General Woody Randall, Celebrate Freedom Foundation briefed Council regarding the Celebrate Freedom 2000 event and provided an update of current plans regarding the 2001 event.

C. City of Columbia Employee of the Month

Due to an illness, this item was held over to the next available council meeting.

Ms. Barbara Fanning, Laboratory Technician at Lake Murray Water Treatment Plant, will be recognized as the City of Columbia's Employee of the Month for May 2001. Ms. Fanning has been employed with the City since October 4, 1982.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Ms. Heizer, Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, holding Item III.B.2, on a single motion.

A. REQUEST TO CLOSE STREETS AND USE SIDEWALKS

1. Council approved a request from South Carolina Progressive Network to close Gervais Street in front of the State House, on Saturday, June 9, 2001, for a March and Rally for Worker's Rights, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m and to close the single block of

Washington and Wayne Streets that border Memorial Park between the hours of 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 8, 2001 through 6:00 p.m., Saturday, June 9, 2001.

2. Council approved a request from Ms. Nell Walters, to close intersection of Wilmot, Ravenel and Ott Streets (3300 Block), on Saturday, October 6, 2001, for their Annual Block Party, between the hours of 5:30 p.m. through 11:00 p.m.
3. Council approved a request from the Trezevant Center to close streets from Two Notch Road down Read Street to Heidt, also Waverly Street from Read to Richland Streets, on Saturday, July 14, 2001, for their Annual Outdoor Fundraiser, between the hours 8:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m.
4. Council approved a request from Trinity Cathedral, to close the intersection of Gervais to Marion to Senate Street, on Sunday, June 3, 2001, for their Annual Parish Picnic, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m.
5. Council approved a request from Columbia Action Council to certain city streets as it relates to the Summer Concert Series and The All American Soap Box Derby, on the following dates and times. Approval of Resolution No. 2001-041, authorizing the sale and consumption of alcohol, request no dogs/animals, radios/grills be allowed in the park during each concert.

Additionally, CAC would like to inform Council that Reserved Seating and Waiter Service will be available during the Concert Series under the trees at Finlay Park at a cost \$50 per table.

Memorial Day Concert	Finlay Park - Saturday, May 26, 2001 Hours: 5:00 p.m. thru 10:00 p.m.
Finlay Park Summer Concert Series	Finlay Park - Saturdays, June 2 - August 25, 2001 Hours: 6:00 p.m. thru 10:00 p.m.
Columbia's All American Soap Box Derby Day (Derby Trials)	Taylor Street, Saturday, June 9, 2001 Hours: 6:00 a.m. thru 12:00 p.m.
	Taylor Street and Finlay Park, Saturday, June 16, 2001 and Rain Date: June 17, 2001 Hours: 9:00 a.m. thru 6:00 p.m.
Labor Day Concert	Finlay Park - Friday, August 31, 2001 Hours: 5:00 p.m. thru 10:00 p.m.

6. Council approved a request from South Kilbourne Elementary to close a portion of South Kilbourne Road and Edmonds Road around the perimeter of South Kilbourne Elementary School, on Tuesday, May 22, 2001, for a School Career Fair, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. through 1:30 p.m.

B. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AGREEMENTS

1. Council gave approval to contract for the relocation of existing water and sewer mains at the I-16/US 176 Interchange, Project #W355(4)-0/1 in conjunction with SCDOT improvements. The City will be reimbursed by SCDOT for the cost of this project. Award contract to D.S. Utilities, Inc., the low bidder, at a cost of \$914,207.35. The estimated minority business participation is 10%.
2. Council held over approval for a Proposed Licence from the City To Triton Property Company, L.L.C. to Place Communication Equipment on the City's Lower Richland Water Tank. The proposed fee is \$18,000.00 annually for the first three (3) years with options to request renewal of the license for seven (7) additional three year terms with an increase in the fee of 15% for each additional three (3) year term (Totals: 24 Year Lease).
3. Council gave approval for entering into an Agreement with B.P. Barber and Associates for Engineering Services for Survey Work in the Vista Area relating to construction of the Proposed Arena/Convention Center. The firm has performed some survey work to date and has agreed to perform additional work on an hourly rate basis not to exceed a maximum fee of \$29,200.00.
4. Council gave approval to a Change Order #1 to Agreement with Consoer Townsend Envirodyne Engineers, Inc. (CTE) for Engineering Services for Water Line Relocation at the I-26 and US Highway #176 Interchange. This change order addresses additional relocation of sewer and water mains identified by SCDOT at a cost not to exceed \$39,000.00.
5. Council gave approval to enter into an Bulk Water Contract with the City of Cayce for surplus water sale. The emergency Agreement, entered into on August of 2000, has expired and the City of Cayce has requested a continuation of service.

C. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

1. Ordinance No. 2001-049 - Granting encroachment to Brian L. Boger for tree planting and maintenance within the right of way adjacent to 1922 Gregg Street.

Council gave second reading approval of Ordinance No. 2001-049 - Granting encroachment to Brian L. Boger for tree planting and maintenance in the City's right-of-way at 1922 Gregg Street (a mini storage facility). Council gave first reading approval on May 2, 2001.

2. Ordinance No. 2001-050 - Annexing Parcel 21, Columbiana Station, Harbison Boulevard, Lexington County TMS #02797-01-56.

Council gave second reading approval of Ordinance No. 2001-050 - Annexing parcel 21. The property is commercial and will retain the current C-3 zoning upon annexation. The property is located in Council District 1. Council gave first reading approval on May 2, 2001.

D. REZONING MAP AMENDMENTS - SECOND READING

1. 01-10 MA. 4619 Monticello Road, TMS #9212-8-3. Rezone from RS-3 to C-1.

Council gave second reading approval to rezone 4619 Monticello Road from RS-3 to C-1. The owner plans to provide extra space for activities related to the Capital City Church and Eau Clair Cooperative Health Center. First reading was given on May 9, 2001.

2. 01-11 MA. 1206 & 1220 Oak St. and portion of 2304-06 Lady Street, TMS #11410-1-28,29, & 2p. Rezone from RG-2 to UTD.

Council gave second reading approval to rezone 1206 & 1220 Oak St. and portion of 2304-06 Lady Street. A change in zoning to UTD would make the funeral home and parking lots a conforming use. First reading was given on May 9, 2001.

3. 01-12 MA. 1900-2000 Block Two Notch Road, TMS #11509-09-01(p). Rezone from M-1 to PUD-R (Benedict College-University Courtyard).

Council gave second reading approval to rezone 1900-2000 Block of Two Notch Road. The owner is proposing construction of four garden style apartment buildings for students at Benedict College. First reading was given on May 9, 2001.

4. 01-13 MA. 3700 N. Main St., TMS #9209-20-4. Rezone from C-1 to C-3.

Council gave second reading approval to rezone 3700 N. Main St. The owner is proposing economic redevelopment for the entire block. First reading was given on May 9, 2001.

CONFIRMATION OF CURRENT ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING RECENTLY ANNEXED PROPERTIES (Item 5.)

5. Council gave second reading approval of 01-09 MA. Golden Acres, TMS #11602-7-5,6; 11606-1-1-7; 11606-2-1-10, 11606- 3-1-14; 11606-4-1-8; 11606-8-1-12; 11606-9-1,2,4-13; 11607-12-1-10, 16 & 17; 1160607-13-1-26; and 11607-14-1-17, 48, 50-53, confirm zoning of RG-1, C-2, and C-3 as it was in the County. First reading approval was given May 9, 2001.

IV. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

Upon motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Papadea, Council voted unanimously to approve Items IV. 1 and 2, holding Item IV.3, on a single motion.

1. Ordinance No. 2001-040 - Granting encroachment to Norman B. Stuckey and Shannon S. Stuckey for construction and maintenance of a privacy wall adjacent to their residence at the corner of St. James Street and Catawba Street.

Council gave first reading approval to Ordinance No. 2001-040 - Granting encroachment to the property owner for construction and maintenance of a privacy wall adjacent to their residence. The Traffic Engineering Division has reviewed the request and have no objections to the construction.

2. Ordinance No. 2001-051 - Authorizing transfer of 1102 Price Street, Richland Co., TMS #09012-06-04, from the City of Columbia to Eau Claire Development Corporation.

Council gave first reading approval to Ordinance No. 2001-051 - Authorizing the transfer of property located at 1102 Price Street from the City of Columbia to Eau Claire Development Corporation.

3. Ordinance No 2001-052 - Authorizing City Manager to Execute a Contract of Sale with Avant Developments, LLC and A Deed for the transfer of approximately 13 acres on Pelham Drive, Richland Co., TMS #13715=01-02 (eastern portion) to Avant Developments, LLC.

Council held over first reading approval to Ordinance No. 2001-052 - Authorizing the City Manager execute a contract of sale and deed for the transfer of approximately 13 acres located on Pelham Drive for the sum of \$38,000.00 per useable acre.

V. RESOLUTIONS

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Davis, Council voted unanimously to approve Items V. 1,3,4,5,6,7,8, and 9, holding Item V.2, on a single motion.

1. Resolution No. 2001-028 - Authorization for Acceptance of Dedication of Streets known as Red Bay Road and Red Bay Court in Woodcreek Farms Development, Tract D14, Phase 1; Club Ridge Court and Unnamed Alley in Woodcreek Farms Development, Tract B5-A; and Buckthorn Court and Buckthorn Circle in Woodcreek Farms Development, Area D15, Phase II to the City of Columbia; Richland Co., TMS #28900-03-07 (portion); City File #222-22D, City File #222-2F and City File #222-22A.

Council gave approval of Resolution No. 2001-028 - authorizing acceptance of dedication of streets known as Red Bay Road, Red Bay Court, Club Ridge Court, Buckthorn Court, Buckthorn Circle, and unnamed alley in the Woodcreek Farms Development. The properties are located in the City Limits and were found to be constructed in compliance with the City's Ordinances and Regulations.

2. Resolution No. 2001-032 - Approval of Assignment of Carolina Phone Company License to Airgate Wireless; (Lower Richland Tank Site).

Council held over approval of Resolution No. 2001-032 - Approval of Assignment of Carolina Phone Company Licenses to Airgate Wireless.

- 3 Resolution No. 2001-033 - Condemnation - Easement Acquisition for Sanitary Sewer to Serve Square D Company along Richland Co., TMS #19010-03-03; City File #257-20A.

Council gave approval of Resolution No. 2001-028 - Condemnation and Easement acquisition for sanitary sewer to serve Square D Company. Square D personnel and City staff have been unable to reach an agreement with the owner, Mr. Douglas C. Caughman, Jr., to acquire the easement.

4. Resolution No. 2001-034 - Release and Abandonment of a Portion of the City's Existing 15' Water Main Easement along Richland Co., TMS #28804-05-03 (portion); Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary School; City File #143-18A.

Council gave approval of Resolution No. 2001-034 - Release and abandonment of a portion of the City's existing sanitary sewer easement along the above mention property. Approved development plans for an addition to Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary require the elimination of a portion of the existing City water main and easement. A new water line has been constructed along the property with an easement granted to the City and staff has determined that the current easement is no longer needed.

5. Resolution No. 2001-035 - Release and Abandonment of a portion of the City's Existing 15' Water Main Easement along Richland Co., TMS #23011-01-01 (portion); North Springs Elementary School, City File #175-02P.

Council gave approval of Resolution No. 2001-035 - Release and abandonment of a portion of the City's existing sanitary sewer easement along the above mention property. Approved development plans for Summit Terrace in The Summit require the elimination of a portion of the existing water main and easement on North Springs Elementary School property. A new water line has been constructed along the property with an easement granted to the City and staff has determined that the current easement is no longer needed.

6. Resolution No. 2001-036 - Authorization of Acceptance of Dedication of Streets, known as Wildeoak Trail and Wildeoak Court in Belleclave, Phase 5; Richland Co., TMS #22715-01-01; City File #222-04D.

Council gave approval of Resolution No. 2001-036 - authorization acceptance of dedication of streets known as Wildeoak Trail and Wildeoak Court in Belleclave, Phase 5. The properties are located in the City Limits and were found to be constructed in compliance with the City's Ordinances and Regulations.

7. Resolution No. 2001-037 - Authorization for Acceptance of Dedication of Streets known as Lost Creek Drive (portion), Haven Ridge Place, Haven Ridge Court and Haven Oak Court in Oak Haven Subdivision at Chestnut Hill Plantation; Richland Co., TMS #05200-03-64 ad 05211-01-01 (portion); City File #199-11H.

Council gave approval of Resolution No. 2001-036 - authorizing acceptance of dedication of streets known as Lost Creek Drive, Haven Ridge Place, Haven Ridge Court and Have Oak Court in Haven Subdivision. The properties are located in the City Limits and were found to be constructed in compliance with the City's Ordinances and Regulations.

8. Resolution No. 2001-038 - Authorization of Acceptance of Dedication of Streets known as Lost Creek Drive (portion), Grove Hall Lane, Grove's Wood Court, Grove's Wood Place, Grove Hall Court and Aerie Court in The Grove Chestnut Hill Plantation, Phases 1 and 2;

Richland Co., TMS #05200-03-03, #05200-03-04, #05200-03-07, #05200-03-23, #05200-03-24, #0500-03-35 and #05200-03-54; City File #199-11F.

Council gave approval of Resolution No. 2001-038 - authorizing acceptance of dedication of streets known as Lost Creek Drive, Grove Hall Lane, Grove's Wood Court, Grove's Wood Place, Grove Hall Court and Aerie Court in the Grove Chestnut Hill Plantation. The properties are located in the City Limits and were found to be constructed in compliance with the City's Ordinances and Regulations.

9. Resolution No. 2001-039 - Authorization for Acceptance of Dedication of Streets, known as Club Ridge Drive and Deerpark Drive in Woodcreek Farms Development, Richland Co., TMS #28900-01-11 (portion); City File #222-22.

Council gave approval of Resolution No. 2001-038 - authorization acceptance of dedication of streets known as Club Ridge Drive and Deerpark Drive in Woodcreek Farms Development. The properties are located in the City Limits and were found to be constructed in compliance with the City's Ordinances and Regulations.

VI. OTHER

1. Dedication of the Kaiserslautern Steel Palmetto Tree

Upon motion by Mayor Coble, seconded by Ms. Heizer, Council voted to approve the request from Cultural Council for approval to have the Public Works Department move the Steel Palmetto Tree, painted by the Kaiserslautern Artist, that is currently standing in front of the Cultural Council office to the courtyard located in front of City Hall on Thursday, May 24, 2001, for a dedication of the tree to the public. A delegation from Kaiserslautern including Mayor Bernhard Deubig will be attending a press conference and the dedication to be held on Friday, May 25, 2001, at 2:30 p.m.

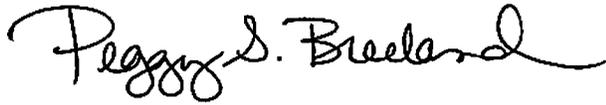
VII. APPEARANCE OF PUBLIC HAVING BUSINESS WITH CITY COUNCIL

Mr. David Anderson, President of Firefighters Association, presented to Council presented a salary survey from a group of Cities that are First Responders with a population of 200 to 400 hundred thousand. Mr. Anderson stated that the City of Columbia's average base salary was 16% below. Additionally, the survey covered a range of 6, 11, and 16, 20 years showing almost a 34% difference. He also distributed a list of First Responder Calls made by the Columbia City Firefighters.

Council took this as information.

Council convened to open work session at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy S. Breeland". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Peggy S. Breeland,
City Clerk