



CITY OF COLUMBIA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2006
9:00 A.M.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1737 MAIN STREET
THIRD FLOOR

The Columbia City Council conducted a Meeting on Wednesday, December 13, 2006 in the City Hall Council Chambers located at 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina. The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tempore Sam Davis called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. The following members of Council were present: The Honorable E.W. Cromartie, II, The Honorable Anne M. Sinclair, The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann and The Honorable Kirkman Finlay III. The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine arrived at 9:11 a.m. The Honorable Mayor Robert D. Coble was absent due to a business related trip. Also present were Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager and Ms. Erika D. Salley City Clerk.

Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager led us in a moment of silent meditation in recognition of the passing of Mr. Amos Gantt, father of Mr. Steven A. Gantt, Senior Assistant City Manger for Operations.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes for November 1 and 8, 2006

Upon motion by Mr. Cromartie, seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of November 1, 2006 and November 8, 2006 on a single motion and as presented.

PRESENTATIONS

2. Introduction of the December 2006 Employee of the Month (Mr. Willie B. Abney, Assistant Superintendent for the Wastewater Maintenance Division) – Mr. John Dooley, Director of Utilities and Engineering

Mr. Charles Daniel, Wastewater Superintendent, introduced Mr. Willie “Blue” Abney, Assistant Superintendent of the Wastewater Maintenance Division as the December 2006 Employee of the Month. He described Mr. Abney as a mainstay for the Wastewater Maintenance Division since 1978. Mr. Abney is knowledgeable of all aspects of his job and is well respected by others.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Sam Davis and Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager presented Mr. Willie Abney with a plaque and tokens of appreciation for being recognized as the City of Columbia December 2006 Employee of the Month.

3. Rosewood Traffic Concerns – Ms. Tracy Shaw, Resident

Ms. Tracy Shaw, Rosewood Resident, appeared before the members of Council to address her concerns related to the traffic in and around school zones. Her goal is to be proactive; to raise awareness of the speed limits; and to slow drivers down before a child is hurt or killed. She said that drivers disregard the children and the crossing guards in school zones. Ms. Shaw recalled an incident wherein her child was almost hit by a speeding vehicle. She thanked the Columbia Police Department for making this a priority. She suggested the use of traffic cameras and additional signage in all school zones.

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to form a small taskforce to work with Richland School District One and the community to review the traffic concerns within all school zones. Staff was directed to solicit a representative from the City's Legislative Delegation. Councilwoman Sinclair appointed Ms. Tracy Shaw and the remaining appointments would be made on January 3, 2006.

4. Skate Park at Owens Field – Mr. Ryan Cockrell, Resident

Mr. Ryan Cockrell, Owens Field Skate Park Association, appeared before the members of Council to present a new petition with over four hundred (400) signatures in support of a new concrete skate park rather than the plan to relocate the existing ramps. Their goal is to gain approval and funding for a concrete skate park to be built by a specialist. The total cost is estimated at \$568,000. He presented pictures that showed the deteriorating condition of the existing ramps along with skate boarding statistics. Mr. Cockrell committed to raise funds for this project.

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to direct staff to work with Mr. Ryan Cockrell, the Owens Field Skate Park Association and others to determine what can be done, the concepts that can be used and a feasible funding level for the proposed renovations to the skate park.

5. Financials and Pro Forma for the Village at Rivers Edge – Mr. Chip Land, Annexation Coordinator

Mr. Chip Land, Annexation Coordinator, reported that staff has reviewed the State Law on establishing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Districts and feel that they can prove that there is blight at this site. He requested authorization for staff to begin the public notification process for a public hearing on a possible TIF District for this area. This hearing is tentatively scheduled for February 2007.

Upon motion by Mr. Rickenmann, seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to authorize staff to advertise a Public Hearing for the consideration of a Tax Increment Financing District for the Village at Rivers Edge.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve the **Consent Agenda Items 6.** through **10.**, **12.**, **13.**, **15.** through **20.** and **22.** through **31.** as amended. **Items 11.** and **14.** were approved by a separate motion. **Item 21.** was removed from the Consent Agenda and approved by a separate motion. Please refer to **Item J1.**

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AGREEMENTS

6. Council is asked to approve an Agreement for Engineering Services for the Development of a Leak Repair Team Training Program for the Columbia Canal and Lake Murray Water Treatment Plants, as requested by Engineering Operations. Award to B.P. Barber and Associates, in an amount not to exceed \$11,100.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Fiscal Year 2006/2007 Operating Budgets for the Columbia Canal and Lake Murray Water Treatment Plants - Approved*
7. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Two (2) SQL Servers, as requested by Information Technology. Award to Software House International as a sole source procurement in the amount of \$11,136.42. This vendor is located in Somerset, NJ. *Funding Source: GL-5511121-627510 - Approved*

8. Council is asked to approve an Agreement to Provide Geotechnical Services for the Lincoln Street Parking Deck, as requested by the Special Projects Administrator. Award to F&ME Consultants, in the amount of \$12,370.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: PG001105/PG001106 2005 (Parking Facilities Revenue Bond Issue) - Approved*
9. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Four (4) Lots of Warm Season Annuals, as requested by the Forestry and Beautification Division. Award to Golden Pines Gardens, Inc., the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$13,014.79. This firm is located in Lamar, SC. *Funding Source: GL-2111233-663800 and GL-1011217-627300 - Approved*
10. Council is asked to approve Project Devine Street Landscape Improvements, as requested by the Utilities and Engineering Department. Award to Zimmerman Contracting, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$16,100.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: CP003001 - Approved*
11. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of 3,000 Gallons of 15W40 Motor Oil, as requested by Fleet Services. Award to Tucker Oil Company, the low bidder, in the amount of \$19,080.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 6308970-672200 - Approved*

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve the Purchase of 3,000 Gallons of 15W40 Motor Oil, as requested by Fleet Services. Award to Tucker Oil Company, the low bidder, in the amount of \$19,080.00. Mr. Finlay abstained from voting due to a potential conflict of interest.

12. Council is asked to approve a Letter of Agreement to Conduct a Citizens Satisfaction and Internal Services Survey, as requested by the Budget Director. Award to the University of South Carolina / Institute for Public Service and Policy Research in the amount of \$19,188.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 1011102 - Approved*
13. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Four (4) Golf Carts, as requested by the Lake Murray Water Treatment Plant and the Canal Water Treatment Plant. Award to Atlas Golf Cars & Batteries, Inc., the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$19,393.76. This firm is located in Lexington, SC. *Funding Source: 5516206-657500 (2) and 5516207-657500 (2) - Approved*
14. Council is asked to approve a Contract Extension for Lockbox Services, as requested by the Finance Department. Award to Carolina First of Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Upon motion by Mr. Rickenmann, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve a Contract Extension for Lockbox Services, as requested by the Finance Department. Award to Carolina First.

15. Council is asked to approve a Client Services Agreement to add a Payment Processing Addendum and Interactive Voice Response Payment System Addendum to the City's Banking Services with First Citizens Bank, as requested by the Finance Department. Award to Link2Gov Corp. (L2G). - *Approved*
16. Council is asked to approve the Installation of a New Surface for the Interior Ceiling of the Gym at M.L. King Park, as requested by the Parks and Recreation Department. Award to Custom Steel Fabricators, Inc., the lowest bidder meeting specifications, in the

- amount of \$24,750.00. This firm is located in Gaston, SC. *Funding Source: GL-4039999-659300 / JL-PK007301-659300 - Approved*
17. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of 32 Optelecom Model 9525 A Single Fiber Modems, as requested by the Traffic Engineering Department. Award to Temple, Inc. as a sole source procurement in the amount of \$27,102.08. This firm is located in Decatur, Alabama. *Funding Source: GL-2529999-623600 / JL-9308000102-623600 – Approved*
 18. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of One Step System Fire Inspection Software, as requested by the Fire Department. Award to One Step System, as a sole source procurement in the amount of \$27,262.00. This firm is located in Bellingham, WA. *Funding Source: GL-1012302-638200 - Approved*
 19. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of a Compact Excavator, as requested by Fleet Services. Award to Linder Industrial Machinery, the lowest bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$32,180.00. This firm is located in West Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 5516203-658500 - Approved*
 20. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of 32 Siemen 2070L Controllers, as requested by the Traffic Engineering Department. Award to Temple, Inc. as a sole source procurement in the amount of \$72,080.00. This firm is located in Decatur, AL. *Funding Source: GL-2529999-623600 / JL-9308000102-623600 - Approved*
 21. Council is asked to approve a Contract to Provide Transportation for the Indigent from the City's Winter Shelters, as requested by Homeland Security. Award to the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$77,846.40. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: GL-2144501-639900 - This item was removed from the consent agenda. Please refer to **Item J1**.*
 22. Council is asked to approve the Renewal of the City's Workers Compensation Excess of Loss Policy, as requested by the Legal Department. Award to Safety National in the amount of \$83,364.00. This firm is located in St. Louis, MO. *Funding Source: 60989939-636200 - Approved*
 23. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of a Loader for the Compost Site, as requested by the Public Works Department. Award to Briggs Construction, the lowest bidder meeting specifications in the amount of \$112,483.00. This vendor is located in West Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 1014406-658500 - Approved*

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

24. Ordinance No.: 2006-074 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 4, Animals, Article III, Animal Control, Sec. 4-67, Redemption of impounded pet animals and Sec. 4-68, Adoption of impounded pet animals *First reading approval was given on November 15, 2006. – Approved on second reading.*
25. Ordinance No.: 2006-080 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 12, Motor Vehicles and Traffic to add Article IV, Parking Garages and City Owned Parking Facilities *First reading approval was given on November 15, 2006. – Approved on second reading.*
26. Ordinance No.: 2006-098 – Authorizing transfer of 104 Gabriel Street, Richland County TMS# 14203-11-05 (portion) to Tony Wilson and Barbara Wilson *First reading approval was given on November 15, 2006. – Approved on second reading.*

27. Ordinance No.: 2006-099 – Authorizing transfer of 43 Madera Drive, Richland County TMS# 11607-06-08 to Curtis M. Coleman *First reading approval was given on November 15, 2006. – Approved on second reading.*
28. Ordinance No.: 2006-102 – Repealing Ordinance 2006-101 *First reading approval was given on November 15, 2006. – Approved on second reading.*
29. Ordinance No.: 2006-103 - Authorizing transfer of 295 +/- acres, Richland County *First reading approval was given on November 29, 2006. – Approved on second reading.*
30. Ordinance No.: 2006-104 – Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement to Resolve a Dispute Regarding Tax Increment Financing District Revenues with Richland County *First reading approval was given on November 29, 2006. – Approved on second reading.*

RESOLUTION

31. Resolution No.: R-2006-050 – Authorizing Mayor to execute a Retainer Agreement - *Approved*

PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION

- 31a. **Resolution No.: R-2006-047 – In support of the issuance by the South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority of its not exceeding \$19,000,000 Revenue Bonds (Innovista Garage Project), in one or more series, pursuant to the provisions of Title 41, Chapter 43, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended. - *Approved*

- **Council opened the Public Hearing at 10:05 a.m.**

Mr. Bill Musser, McNair Law Firm / City of Columbia Bond Counsel for the InnoVista Project, explained that the South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority (JEDA) would be issuing revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$19,000,000 to finance the 1,400 space parking garage located within the block bounded by College Street, Park Street, Green Street and Lincoln Street. The bonds and taxable financing will be purchased by BB&T and are expected to close within seven (7) to ten (10) days.

No one appeared in support of or in opposition to the Resolution.

- **Council closed the Public Hearing at 10:10 a.m.**

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Cromartie, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2006-047 – In support of the issuance by the South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority of its not exceeding \$19,000,000 Revenue Bonds (Innovista Garage Project), in one or more series, pursuant to the provisions of Title 41, Chapter 43, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended.

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT APPEAL HEARING

A. Objections to the Business Improvement District Assessment

- **Council opened the Appeal Hearing at 10:11 a.m.**

Mayor Pro-Tempore Sam Davis explained that the hearings are in the nature of the appeals of property owners for the notice of assessment for the City Center Business Improvement District. The hearings are being held pursuant to Section 5-37-130 South Carolina Code of Laws 1976. We will receive testimony and evidence today and then Council will vote to confirm or modify the assessments. Comments should be limited to ten (10) minutes.

Ms. Rosalyn Rivkin appeared before the members of Council in opposition to the assessment for 1623 – 1625 Main Street. She said that the appeal hearing should have been conducted in the evening. She asked how many times do property owners pay for trash collections. She noted that they are taxed three (3) times for the service. She suggested that the District be expanded to include Bull Street and that charitable organizations support these taxes as well.

Ms. Catherine Kelly, Owner of Cats Barber Shop and the Nail Clinic / 1209 Blanding Street, appeared before the members of Council in opposition to the assessment for her business. She said that business owners should have adequate parking and loading zones. She asked the Council to consider the fact that taxes are increasing, but salaries are not. She urged them to be more considerate of the merchants.

Mr. Ike McLeese, Executive Director of the Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the members of Council to express his support of the City Center Partnership noting that it should be continued as it is.

Mr. Mac Ogburn, CB Richard Ellis / Main Street Property Owner, appeared before the members of Council to express his support for the City Center Partnership, noting that this amenity is an excellent selling point in the commercial real estate business.

Mr. Charles Dorton, Russell-Massey and Company, appeared before the members of Council in opposition to the assessment for 1320 Elmwood Avenue. The building next door to him has been boarded up for years and it is a fire hazard. The homeless uses this site extensively during the winter.

- **Council closed the appeal hearing at 10:25 a.m.**

Upon motion by Mr. Finlay, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to reaffirm the Business Improvement District assessment rates already established for the properties.

OTHER MATTERS

B. Community Promotions Funding Recommendations – Ms. Libby Gober, Ombudsman

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve the committee’s recommendation to deny funding for the Collaborative for Community Trust. Mr. Cromartie was not present for the vote. *(See chart below)*

| Organization | Project Name | Request | Amount Funded |
|---|---------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| November | | | |
| Collaborative for Community Trust <small>*Eligible for Hospitality and Accommodations Funding.</small> | Hampton Street Alliance Project | 10,125 | 0 |

** Amendment to the Agenda
Indicates reasons projects were not funded

- C. Council is asked to approve the Destruction of One Hundred Twenty Three (123) Firearms, as requested by the Columbia Police Department's Property and Evidence Unit. - *Approved*

Upon motion by Mr. Rickenmann, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve the Destruction of One Hundred Twenty Three (123) Firearms, as requested by the Columbia Police Department's Property and Evidence Unit.

- C1. ** Crime Stoppers Funding Recommendation – The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to direct the City Manager to identify a funding source for the allocation of \$5,000.00 to the Crime Stoppers agency as a city contribution.

- D. Five Points Future Five Plan

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Finlay, Council voted unanimously to endorse the Five Points Future Five Plan as presented on November 15, 2006 with the understanding that the Martin Luther King Neighborhood wants the residential portion to be homeownership units. Staff was asked to develop a planning process on how we are to move forward. It is important to get input from business and property owners on the overlay design. Staff was also directed to work on Goals 1-3 as outlined in the plan. The plan should be presented to Council on February 7, 2007.

- E. In/Out Parking in the Vista – Mr. John Spade, Parking Services Director

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to authorize the implementation of the In/Out Parking Program in the Vista on metered blocks meeting standards in the area bounded by Gervais Street, Assembly Street, Hampton Street and the railroad cut.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS, AGREEMENTS AND CHANGE ORDERS

Upon motion by Mr. Cromartie, seconded by Mr. Finlay, Council voted unanimously to approve **Items F.** through **J1.** on a single motion and as amended.

- F. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of a Wheel Loader with Tink Bucket, as requested by Fleet Services. Award to Interstate Equipment Company, the lowest bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$111,955.00. This firm is located in West Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 6308972-658500 - Approved*
- G. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Two (2) Backhoes, as requested by the Water Distribution Division. Award to Fairfield Tractor, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$115,443.65. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 5516203-658500 - Approved*
- H. Council is asked to approve an Agreement for Engineering Services for Improvements to Clearwells 1 and 2 at the Columbia Canal Water Treatment Plant; CIP WM3774, as requested by Engineering Operations. Award to Chao and Associates, in an amount not to exceed \$133,000.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Fiscal Year 2006/2007 Capital Improvements Program Budget - Approved*
- I. Council is asked to approve Change Order #1 to Agreement for Consulting Services for a Water and Sewer Rate Study, as requested by Engineering Operations. Award to

Black & Veatch Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. *Funding Source: Fiscal Year 2006/2007 Capital Improvements Program Budget - Approved*

- J. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Vehicles for Various City Agencies. Award to Vic Bailey Ford of Spartanburg, SC in the amount of \$122,913.00; Capital Chevrolet of Columbia, SC in the amount of \$75,849.75; and Pulliam Motor Co. of Columbia, SC in the amount of \$18,930.25 using the SC State Contract in the total amount of \$217,693.00. - *Approved*

| Quantity | Type | Department | Funding Source | Amount |
|----------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1 | Ford Pick Up | Water Distribution | 5516203-658500 | \$12,569.00 |
| 1 | Ford Pick Up | Support Services | 1011201-658500 | \$12,569.00 |
| 1 | Ford Ranger Compact Pick Up | Lake Murray WTP | 5516207-658500 | \$11,033.00 |
| 5 | Ford Ranger Pick Up | Water Distribution | 5516202-658500 | \$48,190.00 |
| 4 | Ford Ranger Pick Up | Water Distribution | 5516202-658500 | \$38,552.00 |
| 1 | Chevrolet Impala (Flex Fuel) | Traffic Engineering | 1013204-658500 | \$15,169.95 |
| 1 | Chevrolet Impala (Flex Fuel) | Legal | 1011501-658500 | \$15,169.95 |
| 3 | Chevrolet Impala (Flex Fuel) | Fire Department | 1012302-658500 | \$45,509.85 |
| 1 | Ford F-250, ¾ ton Pick Up | Water Distribution | 5516203-658500 | \$18,930.25 |

- J1. ******Council is asked to approve a Contract to Provide Transportation for the Indigent from the City's Winter Shelters, as requested by Homeland Security. Award to the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$70,560.88. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: GL-2144501-639900 - Approved*

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

- K. Ordinance No.: 2006-105 – Annexing 11.995 +/- acres, S/S Caughman Road and E/S Hallbrook Drive, Richland County TMS# 19100-02-03 and 19100-01-11 (portion) – *Approved on first reading.*
- L. Ordinance No.: 2006-106 – Annexing 8.10 +/- acres, N/S Burdell Drive, Richland County TMS# 19108-02-38 – *Approved on first reading.*

Upon motion by Mr. Rickenmann, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to **Items K.** and **L.** on a single motion and as presented.

- M. Ordinance No.: 2006-107 - Annexing 110 Cort Road, 120 Cort Road and 130 Cort Road known as Parcel B, Parcel C, Parcel D, Parcel E and Parcel F containing 11.45 +/- acres, Richland County TMS# 09316-03-07 (portion) - *Consideration of this matter was deferred. Staff was directed to determine the impact this site would have on the Northwood Hills Neighborhood.*
- N. Ordinance No.: 2006-108 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 23, Utilities and Engineering, Article V, Water and Sewer Rates, Sec. 23-152, Sewer plant expansion fee - *Consideration of this matter was deferred. Staff is to provide a clear explanation on this item prior to first reading consideration. Staff was further directed to explore alternatives for working with the Columbia Housing Authority.*

RESOLUTIONS

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to approve **Items O., Q., and R.** on a single motion and as presented.

- O. Resolution No.: R-2006-046 – Authorizing Acceptance and Dedication of Streets known as Honey Tree Road, Downs Drive, Wild Life Lane, Dove Tail Road and Sawdust Court in Honey Tree Development, Phase I to the City of Columbia, Richland County TMS# 22012-01-01 (portion); CF# 279-14 - *Approved*
- P. Resolution No.: R-2006-047 – In support of the issuance by the South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority of its not exceeding \$19,000,000 Revenue Bonds (Innovista Garage Project), in one or more series, pursuant to the provisions of Title 41, Chapter 43, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended. – *Approved.* (Please refer to **Item 31a.**)
- Q. Resolution No.: R-2006-048 – Authorizing consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Strong Man Challenge and TNT Freestyle Motorcross Demonstration in Five Points - *Approved*
- R. Resolution No.: R-2006-049 – Authorizing the Five Points Association to Conduct Street and Sidewalk Sales for the “St. Pat’s in Five Points Festival” - *Approved*
- R1. **Resolution No.: R-2006-052 – Providing for the Creation of a Comprehensive List of Current, Pending and Proposed Capital Projects, Economic Development Programs, Grants and Fiscal Demands

A motion by Mr. Finlay to approve Resolution No.: R-2006-052 was withdrawn. Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager committed to provide the requested information to the members of Council by January 31, 2006.

TRAFFIC AND ENGINEERING

- S. Heritage Village Lane

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to approve the reduction of the current 30-Miles Per Hour Speed Limit on Heritage Village Lane to 25-Miles Per Hour.

APPEARANCE OF PUBLIC HAVING BUSINESS WITH CITY COUNCIL

No one appeared at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Finlay, Council voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 11:36 a.m. for the discussion of **Items U.** through **W.** as amended. **Item T.** was withdrawn.

- T. Discussion of negotiations incident to the proposed purchase of property
This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

- U. Receipt of legal advice, which relates to a matter covered by attorney client privilege
Items were discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken.
- V. **Discussion of the employment of an employee
This item was discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken.
- W. **Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements
This item was discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken.
- **Council adjourned the Executive Session discussion at 1:00 p.m. to convene the Columbia Parking Facilities Corporation Board of Directors Special Called Meeting.**

COLUMBIA PARKING FACILITIES CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Columbia Parking Facilities Corporation Board of Directors conducted a Meeting on Wednesday, December 13, 2006 in the City Council Conference Room (second floor) located at 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina. The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tempore Sam Davis called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. The following members of the Board were present: The Honorable E.W. Cromartie, II, The Honorable Anne M. Sinclair and The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine. The Honorable Mayor Robert D. Coble was absent due to a business related trip. The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann and The Honorable Kirkman Finlay III are not members of the Columbia Parking Facilities Corporation Board of Directors. Also present were Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager and Ms. Erika D. Salley City Clerk.

Mr. Bill Musser, Esquire / McNair Law Firm, P.A., explained that they have received a commitment letter from BB&T and a set of loan documents. A Resolution approving this transaction has been drafted and must be considered by the Columbia Parking Facilities Corporation Board of Directors.

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, the Columbia Parking Facilities Corporation Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve a Resolution in connection with the two (2) Parking Garages for the InnoVista Project as amended to require two (2) signatures on all documents.

- **The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Erika D. Salley
City Clerk