City Council Minutes December 3, 2024

Orangeburg City Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday December 3, 2024, at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers, 933 Middleton Street with Mayor Michael C. Butler presiding.

PRESENT: Michael C. Butler, Mayor Annette Dees Grevious Jerry Hannah Dr. Kalu Kalu L. Zimmerman Keitt, Mayor Pro Tem Sandra P. Knotts Richard Stroman

A motion was made by Councilmember Kalu, seconded by Councilmember Stroman to approve the November 19, 2024, minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mayor Butler recognized "Joyfulness" as the December Orangeburg County Community of Character Trait.

Mayor Butler recognized Mr. Randy J. Hughes with a Retirement Resolution for twenty-five years, two months and three days service rendered to the City of Orangeburg.

Mayor Butler recognized Mr. Jimmy Earl Davis with a Retirement Resolution for forty-five years service rendered to the Department of Public Utilities.

Parks and Recreation Director Shawn Taylor addressed Council concerning the announcement of Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) Tournament. He stated, "We are excited to announce we will be hosting the CIAA Championship Softball games for 2025 and 2026. The 2025 games will be May 1-3, 2025. Also, we would like to announce Sports Destination Management has selected the City of Orangeburg as the 2024 Champion of Economic Impact for Sports Tourism. They recognized the DYB event with a direct economic impact over \$500,000 and indirect impact of \$1.4 million."

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Keitt, seconded by Councilmember Grevious to approve the third reading of an ordinance amending the millage rate for property taxes for the City of Orangeburg, SC for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2025, and thereafter. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Keitt, seconded by Councilmember Kalu to approve the third reading of an ordinance to approve a change to the Zoning District Map from O-I Office-Institutional-Residential District to B-1 General Business District for properties located at 1090 St. Matthews Road, 1080 St. Matthews Road, and 1070 St. Matthews Road, also known as TMS# 0173-05-05-001.000, 0173-0505-015.000 and 0173-05-05-016.000. The motion was approved 4-3. Councilmembers Knotts, Hannah, and Stroman opposed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stroman, seconded by Councilmember Kalu to approve Mr. Miles Cooper to the Hillcrest Golf Commission unexpired term ending July 1, 2026. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kalu, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Keitt to cancel the January 21, 2025, Council meeting due to the MASC Hometown Legislative Action Day. The motion was unanimously approved.

City Administrator Evering addressed Council concerning first reading of an ordinance authorizing the transfer of approximately 0.03 acres of real property with improvements, if any, located at the corner of Russell Street and Middleton Street (1192 Middleton Street, formerly known as 1198 Russell Street), with County TMS #0173-13-35-002.000. He stated, "This is the green building on the corner of Middleton and Russell Streets. As discussed in executive session, there has been

a proposal to purchase the building for \$75,000 to develop it. In this proposal there would be incentives available similar to what we already offer with the façade grant if the developer meets certain criteria."

A motion was made by Councilmember Stroman, seconded by Councilmember Kalu to approve first reading of an ordinance authorizing the transfer of approximately 0.03 acres of real property with improvements, if any, located at the corner of Russell Street and Middleton Street (1192 Middleton Street formerly known as 1198 Russell Street), with County TMS #0173-13-35-002.000. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stroman, seconded by Councilmember Knotts to go into Executive Session concerning discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and/or the receipt of legal advice S.C. Code Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2) a) Citizens Advisory Panel (CAP) and b) Vape Ordinance. The motion was unanimously approved.

Council did not return from Executive Session. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Linda McDaniel City Clerk





RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Randy J. Hughes faithfully served the City of Orangeburg for twenty-five years, two months and three days with a retirement date of August 26, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, he, through his long and faithful service, contributed greatly to the successful operation of the City of Orangeburg; and,

WHEREAS,

the City Council, in recognition of the fine contribution rendered the City of Orangeburg, wants to inscribe on the records its appreciation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Members of Council, in Council assembled, do officially recognize the faithful service rendered to the City of Orangeburg in the capacities in which he served the City, and we take pride in commending him for a job well done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution, in appreciation for his devotion of duty to the City of Orangeburg, be placed in the minute book of the City and a copy furnished to Mr. Hughes in recognition of his services.

PASSED BY the City Council of the City of Orangeburg, State of South Carolina, this third day of December 2024.



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RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, Jimmy Earl Davis, faithfully served the Department of Public Utilities of the City of Orangeburg for forty-four years with a retirement date of November 29, 2024; and
- WHEREAS, he, through his long and faithful service contributed greatly to the successful operation of the City of Orangeburg; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council, in recognition of the fine contribution rendered to the City of Orangeburg, wants to inscribe on the records its appreciation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Members of Council, in Council assembled, do officially recognize the faithful service rendered to the City of Orangeburg in the capacities in which he served and we take pride in commending him for a job well done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution, in appreciation for his devotion of duty to the City of Orangeburg, be placed in the Minute Book of the City in recognition of his services.

PASSED BY the City Council of the City of Orangeburg, State of South Carolina, this 3rd day of December 2024.



Members of Council

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