



MINUTES

Town Council Work Session
Monday, May 16th at 6:00 pm
2915 Platt Springs Road, Springdale, SC 29170

The media and public were duly notified of the date, time, and place of this meeting. A quorum was present.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Juston Ricard, Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, Councilmembers Fecas, Wilbourne, Hallman and Hook.

COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilmember Reeley

STAFF PRESENT: Town Administrator Ashley Watkins, Municipal Clerk Leeann Eden, Chief of Police Andrew “Bear” Richbourg, Police Captain Chris Manuel, and Attorney Ward Bradley.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Ricard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Councilmember Hallman provided the invocation and Mayor Ricard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda

Council unanimously approved the agenda for the May 16th, 2022 Work Session.

III. Items for Discussion

A. Commercial Parking Ordinance. Council discussed amendments to the Commercial Parking Ordinance. Mayor Ricard inquired if “*recreational vehicles*” covered boats. Attorney Bradley stated that the obvious meaning is an RV/Camping vehicle. Mayor Ricard continued his discussion by proposing the addition of item B.1 to cover a homeowner occupying a recreational vehicle on their property if the homeowner has a work permit that shows their home is uninhabitable due to exigent circumstances. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that a homeowner would be permitted to occupy the recreational vehicle for the duration of the building permit. Administrator Watkins stated that a temporary occupancy permit could be created.

B. Assigning New Council Projects. Council discussed the following projects:

- Parrish Plantation - Mayor Ricard stated that the work completed on the dam at Huffstetler Pond was certified by DHEC.
- Lights on Kitty Hawk Drive
- Kitty Hawk Sidewalk – Mayor Ricard stated that Springdale’s portion of the sidewalk extension will be presented to Lexington County Council for 100% funding by C-Funds on May 24th, 2022.
- Sewer – Mayor Ricard stated that a meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 20th, 2022 at 3:00 pm with American Engineering at Town Hall to discuss sewer expansion and past plans. Councilmembers Hook and Wilbourne volunteered to be liaisons for the sewer expansion project.
- Cottages at Roof’s Pond – Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson volunteered to be the liaison for the Cottages at Roof’s Pond development.
- Platt Springs Road Corridor

- Durham Drive Dam – Mayor Ricard stated that the dam hasn't been repaired since the 2015 flood, and suggested reaching out to Micah Caskey for assistance. Councilmember Hook volunteered to be the liaison for the Durham Drive Dam.
- Property Values – Councilmember Fecas volunteered to be the liaison for property values.
- Summerfest/Christmas Parade
- Murphy Gas Station Development – Councilmember Hallman volunteered to be the liaison for the Murphy development.
- Parks – Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson volunteered to be the liaison for parks.
- New Town Hall – Mayor Ricard stated that Lyn-Rich Contracting is applying for demo permits for the new Municipal complex.
- Walking Trail Through Town – Councilmember Fecas stated that this project would need extensive funding from grants. She briefly discussed her desire for an advisory committee focused on quality of life in Springdale, including elements such as traffic and walkability. There was discussion of a dog park, the creation of a walking map, and recycling programs. Administrator Watkins stated that the County's Stormwater Consortium provides Trash the Poop receptacles and offers free presentations to interested homeowner's associations. Councilmember Fecas stated that she would also like to resume community socials and have the community involved in placing tags on storm drains. Councilmember Fecas volunteered to be the liaison for community relations.

IV. **Town Council Reports**

- A. Parrish Plantation. Councilmember Fecas asked Mayor Ricard if the damage to the roadwork at Huffstetler Pond Dam was addressed during the work on the on the dam. Mayor Ricard stated that it was outside of the scope of work for the contractor, and DOT will need to be contacted.
- B. DOT. No report.
- C. Elected Officials. Councilmember Fecas thanked the Public Works department for their quick response to a recent litter issue, stating that they did an exceptional job. Mayor Ricard stated that he was approached by the Greater Cayce/West Columbia Chamber of Commerce about serving in an advisory position. He stated that he is unable to fulfill the duties of the position but recommended Councilmember Reeley, who agreed to take on the role. Councilmember Hook expressed his interest in scheduling additional litter pick-ups as needed, possibly on a quarterly basis.

A concerned citizen provided comments on a variance request submitted by a nearby business to the Lexington County Board of Zoning Appeals to operate a hazardous materials handling facility. Councilmember Fecas provided additional comments pertaining to a petition that was circulated on the Next-Door app. She asked Administrator Watkins to obtain the attachments to the Variance Request and stated that if correspondence from Council needs to be sent, it should be sent by May 18th, 2022. There was no further discussion.

V. **Adjourn**

Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 pm.

Juston Ricard, Mayor

Attest:

Leeann Eden, Municipal Clerk