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Ms. Sarai Melendez, Councilwoman
Mr. Keith Pace, Councilman
Mr. Tyler Jordan, Councilman

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Mr. Grant Keehn, Councilman
Mr. David Underwood, Councilman
Mr. Michael Kozlarek, City Attorney
Mr. Timothy B. Burton, City Administrator

**AGENDA
WALHALLA CITY COUNCIL
Dec 20, 2022
5:30 PM
City Hall
206 N Church St, Walhalla, SC**

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Mayor Edwards

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nov 15, 2022

PUBLIC COMMENT (Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes and must be directed to Council, per City Ordinance 2020-17)

**Mrs. Courtney Sheriff
STEM Teacher James M Brown Elementary School**

ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

Brandon Burton

READING OF PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND ORDINANCES

Mayoral Proclamation: *(none proposed)*

First and Final Reading of Resolutions:

RESOLUTION 2022-10 A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE TALMADGE "TALLY" GRANT FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE CITY OF WALHALLA

Second, Final Reading and Public Review of Ordinances: (Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes and must be directed to Council, per City Ordinance 2020-17)

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(none proposed)

First Reading of Ordinances:

ORDINANCE 2022-14 AN ORDINANCE TO ISSUE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AMEND THE FY 2023 BUDGET DOCUMENT AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS (to include Vote and/or Action on matters brought up for discussion, if required)

1. Appointment of Committee assignments
2. Approval of a contract with HDH Construction
3. Discussion/appointment of business license hearing official

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DEC 6, 2022

Recreation/Mr. Woodward
 Public Works/Mr. Jordan
 Police/ Mr. Underwood
 Utilities/Mr. Keehn
 Fire/Ms. Melendez
 Community Development/Ms. Melendez
 General Gov't-Finance/Mr. Pace



EXECUTIVE SESSION (to include Vote and/or Action on matters brought up for discussion, if required)

(none proposed)

MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Edwards

ADJOURN

The City of Walhalla City Council held a meeting Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 5:30 PM. The location of the meeting was in Council Chambers of City Hall, 206 N. Church Street, Walhalla, SC 29691.

PRESENT: Mayor Danny Edwards, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward, Councilman Keith Pace, Councilman David Underwood, Councilman Grant Keehn, Councilman Tyler Jordan (via Zoom)

ABSENT: Councilwoman Sarai Melendez

STAFF: City Attorney, John Marshall Moser. City Administrator Brandon Burton, WGOG, The Journal, Public

OTHERS:

Mayor Danny Edwards called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and called for a moment of silence.

Mayor Danny Edwards asked Administrator Burton to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Danny Edwards called for a motion to approve the minutes for October 18, 2022. Councilman Keith Pace made the motion, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward second. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Mayor Danny Edwards opened for public comment and went over rules of meeting as it pertained to public comment.

Mr. Winchester, resident, and property owner in Walhalla, came forward to ask questions and seek clarity regarding abandoned properties ordinance. He shared his concerns. City Administrator Brandon Burton answered his questions and further explained the purpose for registering vacant and abandoned buildings in the city. Councilman Grant Keehn added that the Community Development Committee has suggested for the City Council to table this ordinance to allow more time to work on the language and better detail the rules and exceptions.

Mayor Danny Edwards moved the meeting forward to administrator comments.

City Administrator Brandon Burton informed council that the Main Street Director position is posted. Administrator Burton requested that a member of council join the interview panel, in addition to someone from the Main Street Organization and two individuals from outside the city.

Administrator Burton discussed the sanitation truck fire. The fire was investigated and determined the cause was nothing suspicious. The adjustor looked at the damage and the insurance appraisal allowed the city \$182,000. Administrator Burton is still working on this.

Administrator Burton reminded everyone that the Façade Grants are open. There is approximately \$20,000 in the account. He would like to get some more applications in and added that the application process is now online on the city website.

Stumphouse contractor is continuing to flag the trails. Administrator Burton plans to meet with the contractor around the 1st of December to hike the trail.

Administrator Burton announced the Greenway contract was advertised last week on SCBO and the city website. The bid closing will be December 8, 2022.

Planning Commission is requesting a joint meeting with City Council in January to review the Historical Ordinance.

Administrator Burton requested council to come up with a date in December to discuss the budget for fiscal year 2024.

Administrator Burton read Resolution 2022-8 from the Municipal Association of the Municipal Insurance Risk and Financing Fund, which is who we have our general liability and property insurance through. They have requested for all municipalities to adopt a resolution for deductible amounts. Councilman Pace made a motion to accept resolution 2022-8, Councilman Keehn second. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Administrator Burton read Resolution 2022-9 regarding an agreement for mutual aid with Clemson University Police Department to help with football games and other events. Councilman Keehn made a motion to approve resolution 2022-9, Councilman Pace second. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Administrator Burton received second reading for Ordinance 2022-8, ordinance for rules of decorum at public meetings. Administrator Burton read details of the ordinance. Mayor Edwards called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-8. Councilman Pace made motion, Mayor Pro-Tm Woodward second. Mayor Danny Edwards called for public comment pertaining to Ordinance 2022-8. There were none. Mayor Edwards called for discussion. Councilman Grant Keehn proposed an amendment to use more precise language, so not to be confused with Ordinance 2022-9. Councilman Keehn explained the changes he wanted to make. He also proposed to change from a presiding officer to the full council when making the decision for what is allowed and not allowed. Councilman Keehn made this in form of a motion, Councilman Pace second. Mayor Edwards called for discussion. Councilman Pace reviewed the proposed changes as suggested by Councilman Grant Keehn. Councilman Pace explained the mayor's role as presiding officer, as voted for by the community. Discussion continued. Mayor called for a vote in favor of amending Ordinance 2022-8. On voice vote, 3 yeas: Councilman Keehn,

Councilman Jordan, and Councilman Underwood. 3 nays: Councilman Pace, Mayor Danny Edwards, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward. Motion for the amendment failed. Discussion continued amongst councilmembers regarding changes for Ordinance 2022-8. Mayor Pro-Tm Danny Woodward proposed amending the language in Article III, Line 4-5 from “shall be” charged to “could be” charged and made that in form of a motion, Councilman Jordan second. Mayor Edwards called for a discussion. Councilmembers discussed. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Councilman Pace proposed amending the title of the ordinance to “City Council and Committee Meetings”, in place of “Public Meetings” and made that in the form of a motion, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward second. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Councilman Underwood proposed amending “The majority of Americans believe that our society is increasingly unsuitable...” by striking it out of the ordinance and he made that in form of a motion, Councilman Keehn second. Mayor Edwards called for discussion. Councilman Pace suggested striking out another part of the ordinance, “city boards and commissions and other public bodies and various committees”. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Councilman Pace proposed adding back in the line that was stricken in the previous meeting for Article II, Paragraph 1, Line B to read, “members shall maintain a civil manner and tone” and strike “and courteous”. Councilman Pace made that in the form of a motion, Councilman Underwood second. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Councilman Underwood made a motion to strike Line F, Article II Councilman Keehn second. On voice vote, 3 yeas: Councilman Keehn, Councilman Jordan, and Councilman Underwood. 3 nays: Councilman Pace, Mayor Danny Edwards, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward. Motion failed. Councilman Jordan proposed amending Article IV, Number 1, to “to call repeal of conflicting” and Article IV, Number 2, to “should a disagreement arise by the ruling from the chair current Robert’s Rules of Order shall be used as prevailing”, Councilman Pace second. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Mayor Edwards called for vote on amended Ordinance 2022-8. On voice vote, 5 yeas: Mayor Danny Edwards, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward, Councilman Pace, Councilman Jordan, and Councilman Underwood. 1 nay: Councilman Keehn. Motion carries.

Administrator Burton requested a motion to untable Ordinance 2022-9 for discussion. Councilman Underwood made the motion, Councilman Pace second. Mayor Edwards called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Administrator Burton explained specific details for Ordinance 2022-9, ordinance for rules of decorum at public meetings. Councilman Pace proposed amending the title by adding “City Boards and Commissions” in place of “public”. He also proposed striking 2nd, 3rd, and 4th paragraphs of “whereas”, same as council ordinance. Councilman Pace suggested amending page 2 to reflect the Board of Commissions. Councilman Pace made his proposed amendments in the form of a motion, Councilman Underwood second. Mayor called for discussion. No discussion occurred. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Councilman Keehn proposed amending the language in this ordinance to language used in Ordinance 2022-8, “should a disagreement arise by the ruling from the chair current Robert’s Rules of Order shall be used as prevailing”, Councilman Underwood second. Mayor Edwards called for discussion. No discussion occurred. Mayor Edwards called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea.

None nay. Mayor Edwards opened for public comment. No public comments occurred. Councilman Pace made a motion to accept Ordinance 2022-9 as amended, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward second. Mayor Edwards called for discussion. No discussion occurred. Mayor Edwards called for vote. On voice vote, 5 yeas: Mayor Danny Edwards, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward, Councilman Pace, Councilman Jordan, and Councilman Underwood. 1 nay: Councilman Keehn. Motion carries.

Mayor Edwards reintroduced reading of Ordinance 2022-13, ordinance that requires registration for vacant and abandoned building, commercial and residential. Councilman Pace asked to be recognized and made a motion to table this ordinance until the new Community Development Planner starts since this will reflect on her position, Councilman Underwood second. Mayor called for discussion. No discussion occurred. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Motion carries.

Mayor Edwards moved forward to discussion and action items.

Administrator Burton discussed awarding contract to Doug Peay Masonry, Inc for \$24,450. The city received a grant from Partners for Progress for \$16,000. The remaining will be funded out of the hospitality fund for \$8,450. This is to repair the concrete bleachers, sidewalks, and steps for the dugout access at the Chicopee Ballfield. Mayor Pro-Tempore made the motion to approve the contract, Councilman Pace second. Mayor Edwards called for discussion. Councilman Pace asked about the grant from Partners for Progress. Administrator Burton said the funds were from a fundraiser held by Partners for Progress. Mayor Edwards called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Motion carries.

Administrator Burton continued discussion with next item, Walhalla water line improvements. This is to replace water lines in the Poplar Springs area and on North Highway 11. The city issued an RFP funded by the county ARPA money where they gave us a little over \$2.4 million. After low interest in bidding for this project, Administrator Burton requested awarding bid to Harper General Contractors in the amount of \$2,474,080. Councilman Pace made the motion to move forward with the contract, Mayor Pro-Tempore Woodward second. Mayor Edwards called for discussion. No discussion occurred. Mayor Edwards called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay. Motion carries.

Councilmembers gave Committee Reports.

Mayor Edwards called for motion to go into Executive Session. Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward made the motion, Councilman Underwood second. Mayor Edwards called for a vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Mayor called meeting back to regular session, following conclusion of executive session.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward made the motion to come out of Executive Session, Councilman Pace second. Mayor Edwards called meeting back to regular session. Councilman

Pace made a motion on an ordinance to approve on an economic incentive with Hotel Alum and other matters related thereto, Mayor Pro-Tempore Woodward second. Mayor Edwards called for discussion and vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Councilman Underwood made a motion to authorize the City Administrator to negotiate employment terms regarding the Municipal Judge, Councilman Keehn second. Mayor Edwards called for discussion and vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Mayor Edwards requested that item 2 in executive session be noted that no action was taken.

Councilman Underwood made a motion to adjourn, Councilman Pace second. Mayor Edwards called for a vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Meeting was adjourned.

The City of Walhalla City Council held a meeting Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 5:30 PM. The location of the meeting was in Council Chambers of City Hall, 206 N. Church Street, Walhalla, SC 29691.

PRESENT: Mayor Danny Edwards, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward, Councilman Keith Pace, Councilman David Underwood, Councilwoman Sarai Melendez, Councilman Grant Keehn

ABSENT: Councilman Tyler Jordan

STAFF: City Attorney, John Marshall Moser
City Administrator, Brandon Burton
John Galbreath, Rec Director
Tim Rice, Police Chief
Russ Price, Public Works Director
Scott Parris, Utilities Director

OTHERS: Public. Media- WGOG, The Journal

Mayor Danny Edwards called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and called for a moment of silence.

Mayor Danny Edwards asked Councilman David Underwood to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Danny Edwards called for the approval of the agenda. Councilman Keith Pace made the motion to approve the agenda, Councilman Grant Keehn second. Mayor called for vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Mayor Edwards called for public comment. Mayor Edwards went over rules of meeting as it pertained to public comment.

Dari McBride, President of the Oconee County Chamber of Commerce, attended the committee meeting to introduce herself and update the council on their various focuses for the chamber of commerce. She offered her support for the businesses and overall growth for the city of Walhalla.

Committee Reports were given by respective department heads.

Parks and Recreation- Mr. Woodward, Chair

Director John Galbreath reported:

Hosting All- star Soccer games November 10th and 14th at Memorial Field
Basketball current registration- 243 players

All-star football coming up
Baseball and Softball teams finishing season

Public Works- Mr. Jordan, Chair

Director Russ Price submitted report:

October the City of Walhalla picked up:

207 -tons of residential garbage
121 -tons of commercial garbage
-tons of furniture
48 -tons of recyclable brush
1.7 -tons of mattresses
21 -tons CMD

Roll Carts for October

35 Delivered

13 Picked up

7 Repaired and Replaced

We will continue cleaning up leaves, brush, trash, cleaning storm drains, trimming trees, grass cutting, and other routine maintenance.

Assisted with changing banners

Set up and breakdown for o

Training on outward fleet management and work order system

Police- Mr. Underwood, Chair

Chief Tim Rice reported:

New hire: Austin Chenault; reporting to academy November 10th for Class I certification

October Events/Training/Other news:

Michael Shedd, K-9 Officer, is currently attending training for K-9 search and tracking certification and K-9 first aid certification

Merchant Market on Main Street

Oktoberfest- 1 arrest and a few other minor incidents

Walhalloween on Main Street; WPD had 950 people come through the PD

Boo in the Bay at the fire department; a little over 1200 people came through the FD

Revamped police department sign

Chief Rice will be attending a SCLEA accreditation training in Columbia in November

Officer Shedd will be attending an Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) at the Criminal Justice Academy

Cpl Jonathan Jerde will travel to the academy to be a guest instructor for a week. While he is there, he will renew his instructor certification to allow him to teach our officers in-house.

1461 total calls for service
335 traffic stops
20 traffic collisions
63 incident reports
0 pursuit
0 response to resistance
103 traffic citations/4 non-traffic/201 warnings issued
26 arrests made/0 juvenile referral
438 extra patrols
71 hours of overtime- 65 shift coverage, 6 court
189 hours of training

Utilities- Mr. Keehn, Chair

Director Scott Parris reported:

October 2022

New Water Taps – low number of requests

New Sewer Taps -

New water contracts-

Emergency Locates -

Sanitation delivery work orders –

Sanitation pick up work orders -

Meter box changes -

Meter change outs -

Work Orders -

Sewer Work Orders -

New development service inquiries – none; construction slowing down

Continuing work of the fire line behind the police department

Working on new taps that were on waiting list

Assisted with Oktoberfest preparation

Main Street (General Gov't)- Mr. Pace, Chair

Administrator Brandon Burton reported:

Met with board; developed a plan of action through the end of the year

Katie Fisher is contracted with Main Street Board and will be assisting with Main Street events

Veteran's Day Parade November 11th at 4:30 pm

Merchant Open House November 12th

Christmas Parade December 3rd at 5:00 pm; Tree Lighting to follow
Tour of homes December 4th
Santa Stroll December 9th

Fire and Codes- Ms. Melendez, Chair

Administrator Burton gave report:

121 Fire responded to calls for services- 54 fire, 67 medical/rescue
mutual aid calls
58 calls inside city, outside
400 hours on incidents
227 hours of training

2 full time openings

3 staff members currently taking EMT class; expected to graduate in November

Currently finishing process on credentialing to be certified to respond to calls as an SC DHEC
and BLS agency

Assisted with Oktoberfest

October is Fire Safety/Prevention month

Staff completed training on rope rescue and vehicle extrication stabilization

October 29th participating with the ROTC at WHS for the March of Dimes competition

Completed 7 education events

Boo in the Bay- October 31st, 6-8 pm

food truck inspections

business inspections

pre-plans

rental inspections

CL alarm installations

smoke installations

hours overtime

General Government- Mr. Pace, Chair

Administrator Burton gave report:

Community Development/Administrator Report

Celia Myers will start as the newly hired Community Development Planner on November 21st

Remodeling at City Hall- offices for Administrator and Planning and Zoning

Civil Engineering position still vacant

Still working on Personnel Handbook rewrite

Will be sending information to dept heads regarding updating Emergency Operations Plan
Duke Energy progressing with EV charging station project. They have submitted draft plans.
Waffle House permitted and updated

In early stages of working on an app called One Walhalla

Met with Chamber of Commerce on working together

Addressed the potential diesel shortage

Received final ARPA payment

Stumphouse visits are increasing- \$10,000 month; contraction for phase 3 in progress

Update on greenway project; met with DOT- working on encroachment permit; hoping to have contractor in place by the end of the year

12 zoning permits

business licenses

sign permits

food truck permits

violations- verbal/ written

Action/Discussion Items:

Administrator Burton reintroduced Ordinance 2022-8, ordinance for rules of decorum at public meetings, to discuss changes. Councilman Keehn made a motion to amend ordinance by adding "City Council", in place of "public", Councilman Pace second. Councilmembers discussed.

Councilman Pace made a motion to amend Article II, Paragraph 1, Line b, by striking the words "and courteous", Councilman Keehn second. Councilmembers discussed further changes as related to Robert's Rules. Councilman Pace made a motion to move 2022-8 and 2022-9 back to full council, Mayor Pro-Tm Woodward second.

Administrator Burton introduced a draft ordinance to establish a local Historic Property Destination and Design Review and discussed in further detail with councilmembers.

Councilmembers expressed concern for property owners who may not want to participate due to financial hardship. Mayor Edwards explained tax credits and assistance programs in place to help property owners with expenses. Councilmembers continued discussion. Councilwoman Melendez made a motion to send this draft ordinance to the Planning Commission, Councilman Pace second.

Administrator Burton opened discussion regarding Ordinance 2022-13, ordinance that requires registration for vacant and abandoned building, commercial and residential. Councilman Keehn addressed concerns about penalizing property owners. Councilman Underwood read a comment he received suggesting implementing positive incentives, instead of fine and negative incentives. Councilman Pace spoke about a Façade Grant available to help property owners with repairs and improvements. Councilmembers discussed ideas, concerns, and the importance of this ordinance for the city. Councilman Keehn made a recommendation to table this discussion until a building official is in place. Councilwoman Melendez suggested looking closer at the wording of this ordinance. Mayor Edwards shared that he does not like the fee structure. Administrator Burton explained how the fees are necessary to add staff and expand

services. Councilman Pace read the fee structure for residential and non-residential. Administrator Burton expressed his wishes for the committee to consider the public safety value for law enforcement and fire for when a registry exists, as opposed to not having a registry in place for these properties. Councilmembers discussed moving the ordinance forward, without the fee structure fee until a building official is appointed.

Administrator Burton updated the committee with details for the Chicopee Field concrete project and local bid for contract. Partners for Progress has raised a little over \$20,000. The city requested \$16,000 of that amount, with the balance of \$8,450 coming from hospitality funds. This will be presented again at the council meeting for approval.

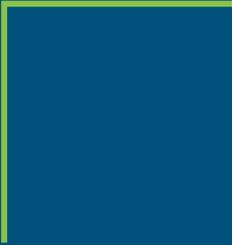
Administrator Burton updated the committee with details for the ARPA waterline project. Harper General Contractors put in a bid. Project is expected to be \$3.8 million, which the city does not have the funding available. The plan is to move forward with what they can. Harper General Contractors bid will be up for approval at the next council meeting.

Mayor Edwards called for motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a possible appointment for the Municipal Judge. Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward made the motion, Councilman Underwood second. Mayor Edwards called for a vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Mayor called meeting back to regular session, following conclusion of executive session. No further business.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward made a motion to adjourn, Councilman Underwood second. Mayor Edwards called for a vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Meeting adjourned.



STEM Update Winter 2022

Courtney Sheriff - JMB



James M. Brown Elementary

- During the 2019-2021 school year STEM raised over \$10,000 with Donors Choose, State/Local Grants
- JMB raised \$4,319.90 in additional fundraising for the 2020-2021 year
- STEM created a school garden through the School Garden & Education Instruction Assistance Program with Clemson Extension.
 - Our garden now includes 14 raised garden beds growing pollinator flowers along with fruits and vegetables
 - Received Whole Foods Gardening Grant - \$3,000 to fulfill a hydroponic gardening tower
 - Sold vegetables to the faculty/staff
- Partnered with FOLKS - Friends of Lake Keowee Society - provided blue bird houses for student led research on birds in our local area
- Cornwell Collaborative Cohort - Roper Mountain Science Center



2022-2023 Progress/Goals

- STEM Check Out & STEM Storybook Check Out for Teachers
- Socktober - 755 packs or 3,850 pairs
- Currently raised \$3,461.35 on Donors Choose grants
- Trout in the Classroom - SCDNR Grant
 - 4th grade field trip to release trout in April at Table Rock State Park
- Increase amount of honeybee hives
 - Student engagement in honeybee hives - applied for 2 grants that will cover the cost of student suits/gear
 - Sold Honey - Harvested 35 gallons of honey - profit \$1,900
- Revive Courtyard - Foothills Church, Head Lee Nursery, Donors Choose
 - Outdoor classroom with picnic tables & benches - Boy Scouts Walhalla

Trout in the Classroom

- All Students will experience the life cycle of a rainbow trout throughout the school year



JMBees

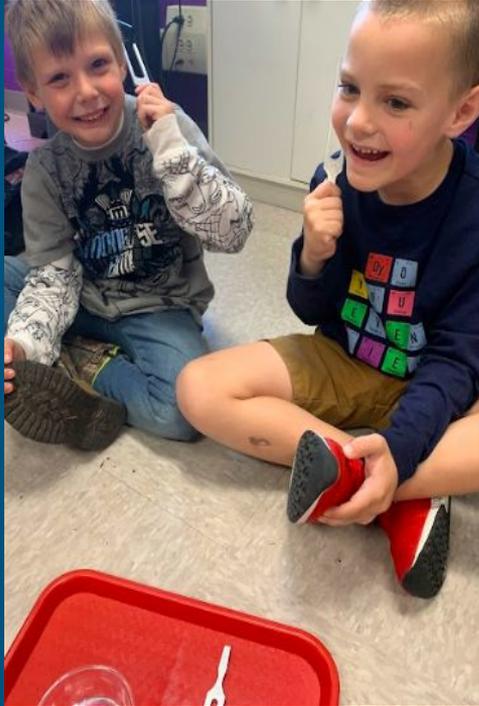
- Partnership with The Bee Cause Project
 - Includes an indoor observation hive for students and visitors to observe honey bees



2022-2023 Progress/Goals

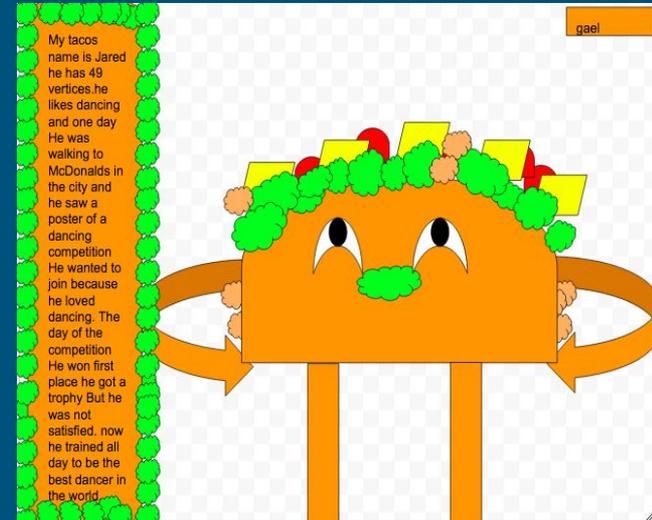
- 3D printing - 4th & 5th grade - sell additional products created
 - Students can take home their designs
- Continue to fundraise to provide supplies for K-5 STEM
 - Host food vendors for teachers - vendors contribute either 20% of sales or \$250 donation (flat rate)
 - Raise \$3,000 in fundraising for general supplies by the end of the school year
- Become a Green Steps Certified School
 - FOLKS & Clemson University Partnership

Learn by Doing



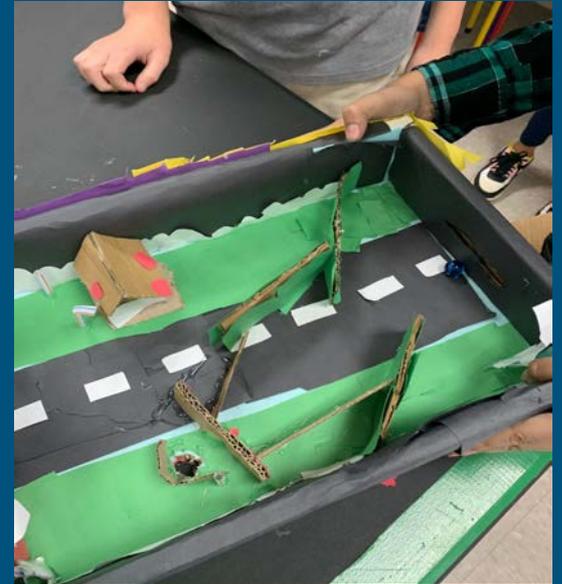
Accepted into Cornwell Collaborative Cohort with Roper Mountain Science Center - 3 year commitment

Science PLUS Institute donated \$2,000 in supplies to STEM



Hands On Learning

- [Tech the Halls 2021 - Picture Update](#)



Subject: "Love Where You Live" - April 22nd, 2023 - Foothills Church Serve Day
Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 2:08:59 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Chene Williams
To: Brandon Burton
Attachments: image001.png, image002.png, image003.png, image004.png, image005.png

Good afternoon Mr. Burton,

This past October, our members worked on projects around the city in our "Love Where You Live" (LWYL) event. As a leadership team, we counted the event as a great success! We have decided to offer our members two opportunities to serve churchwide in 2023. The first will be on Saturday, April 22nd, 2023.

The dream for our Spring LWYL is to be more city-centric. Our goal is to mobilize 200 volunteers within the city to help paint, plant, pressure-wash, or whatever the city may need us to assist with. We would also like to host an event at the greenspace on Mainstreet near Arby's during the serve time from 9 AM – 12 PM for city residents. A party of sorts with music, Bouncy-Castles, games, and food. For this part of the serve, we need you, the representatives of the city, to tell us what sorts of services the residents can truly benefit from. We have partners willing to offer free sports clinics, haircuts, and other things.

There are just over 18 weeks to the serve day, and we wanted to give you enough lead time to plan for city needs with our church volunteers in mind. So, dream big and tell us by March 1st, 2023, how we can love where we live.

Regards,



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Outreach Director
Foothills Church

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF OCONEE)

RESOLUTION 2022-10

CITY OF WALHALLA)

A RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF TALMADGE "TALLY" GRANT TO THE CITY OF WALHALLA

WHEREAS, Talmadge "Tally" Grant has served on both the Oconee County Sewer Commission and the Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority;

WHEREAS, Tally served as Walhalla's representative on the Oconee County Sewer Commission from May 1, 1989 through December 21, 1993;

WHEREAS, Tally served as the joint Walhalla-Westminster representative on the Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority from March 5, 2012 to December 5, 2022;

WHEREAS, Tally served on all standing committees of the both entities representing Walhalla and Westminster;

WHEREAS, Tally has contributed to the progress and expansion of the sewer system;

WHEREAS, Tally has honorably and faithfully served as a representative for the City of Walhalla;

NOW, THEREFORE, Walhalla City Council resolves to express gratitude and to recognize Talmadge "Tally" Grant for his dedication and many years of service to Walhalla for both the Oconee County Sewer Commission and the Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority and for the betterment of the county's sewer system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Walhalla City Councils wishes Tally much happiness in his retirement after his steadfast and faithful service.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED this 20th day of December 2022.

Mayor Danny Edwards

(seal)

Attest:

Timothy B. Burton, City Administrator

Resolution 2022-10
Honoring Tally Grant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF OCONEE)

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-14

CITY OF WALHALLA)

AN ORDINANCE TO ISSUE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AMEND THE FY 2023 BUDGET DOCUMENT AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the Walhalla City Council adopted Ordinance 2022-4 entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO RAISE REVENUE AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR GENERAL, WATER, SEWER, AND HOSPITALITY FUNDS, HEREIN KNOWN AS THE “UNIFIED BUDGET OF THE CITY OF WALHALLA, SOUTH CAROLINA” FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO” and;

WHEREAS, the Walhalla City Council is authorized to approve funding and to amend budgeted expenditures as required to meet and maintain the fiscal obligations of the City of Walhalla; and

WHEREAS, the Walhalla City Council has reviewed the projected expenditures for fiscal year 2023, and has identified a need to adjust appropriations between departments; and provide supplemental appropriations; and

WHEREAS, the amendment is made part hereof as fully as if incorporated herein and a copy thereof is hereto attached and also be known as the current approved fiscal year budget document and;

WHEREAS, the Walhalla City Council now would like to amend the FY 2023 Budget Document,

NOW THEREFORE: it is ordained and enacted that: by the Mayor and Council members of the Municipality of Walhalla, in Council assembled, that the following budget adjustments for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, shall be as follows:

General Fund Revenue \$6471970.57 (initial) + \$12000.00 (increase) = \$6483970.57

General Fund Expenditures \$6471970.57 (initial) + \$12,000.00 (increase)= \$6483970.57

(Police \$1367050.73 initial + \$12,000= \$148050.73)

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and the City council of the City of Walhalla in Council duly assembled and by the authority of the same:

DONE AND RATIFIED in council duly assembled this _____ day of _____ 2022.

By: _____
Danny Edwards, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

By: _____
Timothy B. Burton, City Administrator

Introduced By: _____

First Reading: _____

Second Reading
and Public Review: _____



CITY OF WALHALLA
CONTRACTING AND FUNDING APPROVAL FORM

DEPARTMENT: ADMIN

DATE REQUESTED: 12/9/22

PROJECT NAME: WALHALLA GREENWAY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE 1

AWARDEE NAME: HDH CONSTRUCTION

CONTRACT COST: 1972,003

FUNDING SOURCE: GW FUND/GRANT

BUDGET CODE: 034 - ~~510~~ 510 - 50400 - 50368

Timothy B. Burt

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT TO COUNCIL

CITY COUNCIL APPROVED

12/9/22 DATE

DATE



LIST OF BIDDERS
WALHALLA GREENWAY
 City of Walhalla
 Walhalla, SC

Date: December 8, 2022
 Project No. CGRE210033
 Prepared By: DTM

OPEN ORDER

	Bidders	Bid Bond	Acknowledge Addendum No. 1	Total Base Bid	Total Additive Alternate No. 1	Total Base Bid Plus Additive Alternate No. 1
001	Moorhead Construction					
3	002 HDH Construction	✓	✓	871,893	100,110	972,003
	003 McNeely CO.					
	004 Sterling					
2	005 Southern Concrete	✓	✓	1123,000	61,100	1184,100
	006 Edge Contracting					
1	007 SC Foothills	✓	✓	1,021,000	3,800	1,052,800
	008 CP Builders					
4	009 Sexton DD	✓	✓	1,042,860	62,434	1,105,294
	010 Thrift Development Corp					
	011 New Terrain Grading					
	012 Raby Construction					

Section 13. Notices. The license official may, but shall not be required to, mail written notices that business license taxes are due. If notices are not mailed, there shall be published a notice of the due date in a newspaper of general circulation within the Municipality three (3) times prior to the due date in each year. Failure to receive notice shall not constitute a defense to prosecution for failure to pay the tax due or grounds for waiver of penalties.

Section 14. Denial of License. The license official may deny a license to an applicant when the license official determines:

- A. The application is incomplete or contains a misrepresentation, false or misleading statement, or evasion or suppression of a material fact;
- B. The activity for which a license is sought is unlawful or constitutes a public nuisance *per se* or *per accidens*;
- C. The applicant, licensee, prior licensee, or the person in control of the business has been convicted within the previous ten years of an offense under a law or ordinance regulating business, a crime involving dishonest conduct or moral turpitude related to a business or a subject of a business, or an unlawful sale of merchandise or prohibited goods;
- D. The applicant, licensee, prior licensee, or the person in control of the business has engaged in an unlawful activity or nuisance related to the business or to a similar business in the Municipality or in another jurisdiction;
- E. The applicant, licensee, prior licensee, or the person in control of the business is delinquent in the payment to the Municipality of any tax or fee;
- F. A licensee has actual knowledge or notice, or based on the circumstances reasonably should have knowledge or notice, that any person or employee of the licensee has committed a crime of moral turpitude on the business premises, or has permitted any person or employee of the licensee to engage in the unlawful sale of merchandise or prohibited goods on the business premises and has not taken remedial measures necessary to correct such activity; or
- G. The license for the business or for a similar business of the licensee in the Municipality or another jurisdiction has been denied, suspended, or revoked in the previous license year.

A decision of the license official shall be subject to appeal as herein provided. Denial shall be written with reasons stated.

Section 15. Suspension or Revocation of License. When the license official determines:

- A. A license has been mistakenly or improperly issued or issued contrary to law;
- B. A licensee has breached any condition upon which the license was issued or has failed to comply with the provisions of this ordinance;
- C. A licensee has obtained a license through a fraud, misrepresentation, a false or misleading statement, or evasion or suppression of a material fact in the license application;
- D. A licensee has been convicted within the previous ten years of an offense under a law or ordinance regulating business, a crime involving dishonest conduct or moral turpitude

related to a business or a subject of a business, or an unlawful sale of merchandise or prohibited goods;

- E. A licensee has engaged in an unlawful activity or nuisance related to the business; or
- F. A licensee is delinquent in the payment to the Municipality of any tax or fee,

the license official may give written notice to the licensee or the person in control of the business within the Municipality by personal service or mail that the license is suspended pending a single hearing before Council or its designee for the purpose of determining whether the suspension should be upheld and the license should be revoked.

The written notice of suspension and proposed revocation shall state the time and place at which the hearing is to be held, and shall contain a brief statement of the reasons for the suspension and proposed revocation and a copy of the applicable provisions of this ordinance.

Section 16. Appeals to Council or its Designee.

- A. Except with respect to appeals of assessments under Section 11 hereof, which are governed by S.C. Code § 6-1-410, any person aggrieved by a determination, denial, or suspension and proposed revocation of a business license by the license official may appeal the decision to the Council or its designee by written request stating the reasons for appeal, filed with the license official within ten (10) days after service by mail or personal service of the notice of determination, denial, or suspension and proposed revocation.
- B. A hearing on an appeal from a license denial or other determination of the license official and a hearing on a suspension and proposed revocation shall be held by the Council or its designee within ten (10) business days after receipt of a request for appeal or service of a notice of suspension and proposed revocation. The hearing shall be held upon written notice at a regular or special meeting of the Council, or, if by designee of the Council, at a hearing to be scheduled by the designee. The hearing may be continued to another date by agreement of all parties. At the hearing, all parties shall have the right to be represented by counsel, to present testimony and evidence, and to cross-examine witnesses. The proceedings shall be recorded and transcribed at the expense of the party so requesting. The rules of evidence and procedure prescribed by Council or its designee shall govern the hearing. Following the hearing, the Council by majority vote of its members present, or the designee of Council if the hearing is held by the designee, shall render a written decision based on findings of fact and conclusions on application of the standards herein. The written decision shall be served, by personal service or by mail, upon all parties or their representatives and shall constitute the final decision of the Municipality.
- C. Timely appeal of a decision of Council or its designee does not effectuate a stay of that decision. The decision of the Council or its designee shall be binding and enforceable unless overturned by an applicable appellate court after a due and timely appeal.

- D. For business licenses issued to businesses subject to business license taxes under Article 20, Chapter 9, Title 58, and Chapters 7 and 45, Title 38, of the South Carolina Code, the Municipality may establish a different procedure by ordinance.

Section 17. Consent, franchise, or license required for use of streets.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to construct, install, maintain, or operate in, on, above, or under any street or public place under control of the Municipality any line, pipe, cable, pole, structure, or facility for utilities, communications, cablevision, or other purposes without a consent agreement or franchise agreement issued by the Council by ordinance that prescribes the term, fees, and conditions for use.
- B. The annual fee for use of streets or public places authorized by a consent agreement or franchise agreement shall be set by the ordinance approving the agreement and shall be consistent with limits set by state law. Existing franchise agreements shall continue in effect until expiration dates in the agreements. Franchise and consent fees shall not be in lieu of or be credited against business license taxes unless specifically provided by the franchise or consent agreement.

Section 18. Confidentiality. Except in accordance with proper judicial order or as otherwise provided by law, no official or employee of the Municipality may divulge or make known in any manner the amount of income or any financial particulars set forth or disclosed in any report or return required under this ordinance. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the publication of statistics so classified as to prevent the identification of particular reports or returns. Any license data may be shared with other public officials or employees in the performance of their duties, whether or not those duties relate to enforcement of this ordinance.

Section 19. Violations. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of an offense and shall be subject to a fine of up to \$500.00 or imprisonment for not more than thirty (30) days or both, upon conviction. Each day of violation shall be considered a separate offense. Punishment for violation shall not relieve the offender of liability for delinquent taxes, penalties, and costs provided for in this ordinance.

Section 20. Severability. A determination that any portion of this ordinance is invalid or unenforceable shall not affect the remaining portions. To the extent of any conflict between the provisions of this ordinance and the provisions of the South Carolina Business License Tax Standardization Act, as codified at S.C. Code §§ 6-1-400 *et seq.*, the standardization act shall control.

Section 21. Classification and Rates.

- A. The business license tax for each class of businesses subject to this ordinance shall be computed in accordance with the current business license rate schedule, designated as Appendix A to this ordinance, which may be amended from time to time by the Council.
- B. The current business license class schedule is attached hereto as Appendix B. Hereafter, no later than December 31 of each odd year, the Municipality shall adopt, by ordinance, the latest standardized business license class schedule as recommended by the Municipal Association of South Carolina and adopted by the Director of the South Carolina Revenue

The City of Walhalla City Council held a meeting Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 5:30 PM. The location of the meeting was in Council Chambers of City Hall, 206 N. Church Street, Walhalla, SC 29691.

PRESENT: Mayor Danny Edwards, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward, Councilman Keith Pace, Councilman David Underwood, Councilwoman Sarai Melendez, Councilman Grant Keehn, Councilman Tyler Jordan

ABSENT: None

STAFF: City Attorney, John Marshall Moser. Public. Media. Other Staff.

OTHERS:

Mayor Danny Edwards called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and called for a moment of silence.

Mayor Danny Edwards asked Councilman Pace to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrator Burton noted that he added the public input by error. The speaker would be at the Dec 20 meeting and not tonight.

Committee Reports were given by respective department heads.

Parks and Recreation- Mr. Woodward, Chair

Director John Galbreath reported:

BASKETBALL

Online basketball registration – 100

Total 2023 basketball registration – 309

Total 2023 basketball teams – 29

Total 2022 basketball registration – 220

Total 2022 basketball teams – 24

Difference of 89 players 5 teams.

Councilman Woodward asked Mr. Galbreath his opinion on adding flag football and volleyball to city sports. John stated it could be looked at; however, staffing is an issue. They often work 12-hour days. Councilwoman Melendez asked if this would be a partnership with WHS, Woodward responded it would be a little different, there would be another season. This would not be a united season. SDOC has offered facilities for these. Age group would be 9-17 for volleyball. Mayor stated we needed to meet with them. Administrator Burton said a survey would be created to gauge public comment.

Public Works- Mr. Jordan, Chair

Director Russ Price submitted report:

November the City of Walhalla picked up:
(Numbers not submitted by county)

Roll Carts for November
28 Delivered
6 Picked up
4 Repaired and Replaced

We will continue cleaning up leaves, brush, trash, cleaning storm drains, trimming trees, grass cutting, and other routine maintenance.

November 1st at 8:30 pm- Mack front load trash truck caught fire. It was a total loss. Thanked the fire and police departments.
Put up Christmas lights and decorations
Picked up city Christmas tree
Leaf truck is back running.

Police- Mr. Underwood, Chair

Chief Tim Rice reported:

November Events/Training/Other news:

Chief Rice will be attending a SCLEA accreditation training in Columbia in November
Officer Shedd will be attending an Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) at the Criminal Justice Academy
1st nine weeks caught being good lunch at WMS
Officer Austin Chenault completed his pre-academy training in-house; he will be reporting to academy November 10th for Class I certification
Cpl McCall will be completing Crisis, Hostage, and Negotiation course certification
Cpl Jonathan Jerde will travel to the academy to be a guest instructor for a week. While he is there, he will renew his instructor certification to allow him to teach our officers in-house. He is also participating in a taser instructor certification course at the Sheriff's Office.

1167 total calls for service
272 traffic stops
16 traffic collisions
82 incident reports
0 pursuit
0 response to resistance
291 traffic citations/ 81 traffic/12 non-traffic/198 warnings issued
29 arrests made/1 juvenile referral

390 extra patrols
28 hours of overtime- 18 shift coverage, 10 court
189 hours of training

Councilmembers had questions for Chief Rice regarding coverage, taser course, juvenile referral, and victim's advocate. Chief Rice answered questions.

Utilities- Mr. Keehn, Chair

Director Scott Parris reported:

November 2022

New Water Taps –
New Sewer Taps -
New water contracts-
Emergency Locates -
Sanitation delivery work orders –
Sanitation pick up work orders -
Meter box changes -
Meter change outs -
Work Orders -
Sewer Work Orders -
New development service inquiries –

Made progress on backordered taps

Councilman Keehn asked about job posting and councilmembers joined in to discuss area educational programs out there to possibly pull applicants. They also discussed the issues surrounding lack of interest and qualifications for the jobs.

Main Street (General Gov't)- Mr. Pace, Chair

Celia Myers reported:

Updated business packets and Façade Grant applications

Reviewed zoning and subdivision ordinances and the vacant building ordinance proposal, as well as the historical ordinance draft

Community Development team met with two potential new businesses and one potential subdivision

3 new businesses who have completed their business packets, including receiving their business license. They have either opened or are ready to open.

6 zoning permits
3 business licenses
3 sign permits

2 preliminary subdivisions
1 fence
1 demolition
food truck permits
2 violations- verbal/ written

Fire and Codes- Ms. Melendez, Chair

Chief Will Bates gave report:

142 Fire responded to calls for services- 63 fire, 79 medical/rescue
27 mutual aid calls
60 calls inside city, 55 outside
hours on incidents
228 hours of training

In the process of hiring for that last full-time position
3 staff members that took EMT class passed and graduated
Staff completed an in-depth training on live burn scenarios at the burn building; Councilman Keehn and Councilwoman Melendez attended.
Averaging 133 calls per month
Staff completed Shop with a Hero fundraising event
Waiting to hear back regarding grants that were submitted
With temperatures lowering, be mindful of deterioration road conditions, black ice, especially in the early mornings.

food truck inspections
31 business inspections
19 pre-plans
4 rental inspections
CL alarm installations
1 smoke installations
hours overtime

General Government- Mr. Pace, Chair

Administrator Burton gave report:

Duke Energy has completed most of the work with EV charging stations. The large transformers are still on order and waiting to be hauled in and connected.
Working with Main Street Walhalla Subcommittee of the Oconee Chamber of Commerce. We are planning an open house for January 9th for the new year at the civic auditorium. It's an opportunity for the community to meet city organizations and staff to ask questions.
City Christmas lunch for staff December 9th at 11:30 am, at the banquet hall at the City Gym.
Budget reports have been sent out

Meeting at Stumphouse to review the trail layouts. The flagging is complete.
Bids for the Greenway close December 8th at 2:00 pm. SCDOT approved the permitting.
Veterans Day Parade was cancelled due to weather
Merchant open house on November 12th
Walhalla Wonderland Christmas Committee- Tour of Homes and churches, Santa Stroll, carriage rides, caroling, businesses will be open
Be thinking about events for next year
Action/Discussion Items:

Budget Amendment #1 for 2023 Fiscal Year- We were unaware of revenues that came from the police department. These revenues were not accounted for. When one officer leaves the agency and goes to another agency under a certain amount of time, they must be bought out. We did have an officer leave and the money came in after July. \$12,000 will be added back to the budget, increasing our revenues and expenditures to the Walhalla Police Department. Councilman Pace made a motion to move Ordinance 2022-14 to full council, Councilman Keehn second.

Administrator Burton gave out a chart to councilmembers to outline the 2024 budget planning process. There will be a couple of budget workshops- January 21, 2023 and April 8, 2023. Official budget presentation will be Tuesday, May 2, 2023. First reading is scheduled May 16, 2023. Another budget workshop will be in June. The second/final reading and adoption will be June 20, 2023.

Administrator Burton spoke to the council about scheduling a joint meeting with the Planning Commission. Date to be determined.

Mayor Edwards called for motion to go into Executive Session to discuss an economic development project. Councilman Pace made the motion, Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward second. Mayor Edwards called for a vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Mayor Edwards called meeting back to regular session, following conclusion of executive session. No further business.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Danny Woodward made a motion to adjourn, Councilman Jordan second. Mayor Edwards called for a vote. All present councilmembers voted yea. None nay.

Meeting adjourned.