



CITY OF COLUMBIA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING **ACTION REPORT**
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2009
6:00 P.M.
CARVER-LYON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2100 WAVERLY STREET

The Columbia City Council conducted a District II Evening Meeting on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at Carver-Lyon Elementary School located at 2100 Waverly Street, Columbia, SC 29201. The Honorable Mayor Robert D. Coble called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. The following members of Council were present: The Honorable E.W. Cromartie, II, The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, The Honorable Kirkman Finlay III and The Honorable Belinda F. Gergel. The Honorable Sam Davis arrived at 6:07 p.m. and The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine arrived at 6:12 p.m. Also present were Mr. Steven A. Gantt, Interim City Manager and Ms. Erika D. Salley, City Clerk.

INVOCATION – *Reverend Johnny Ray Noble, PhD, Pastor of Second Nazareth Baptist Church*

APPEARANCE OF PUBLIC HAVING BUSINESS RELATED TO THE AGENDA ITEMS

No one appeared at this time.

MINUTES

1. Minutes of [March 4](#), [March 11](#), [March 18](#) and [March 25, 2009](#)

ACTION: APPROVED as presented.

PRESENTATIONS

2. Welcome to the District II Evening Meeting – The Honorable E.W. Cromartie, II

ACTION: The Honorable E.W. Cromartie, II welcomed everyone to the District II Evening Meeting.

- Greetings from the Jones McDonald Community Club - Ms. Alexzena Furgess, President and Vice President of the Columbia Council of Neighborhoods

ACTION: Ms. Alexzena Furgess, President of the Jones McDonald Community Club and Vice President of the Columbia Council of Neighborhoods welcomed everyone to the Edgewood Community.

3. Welcome to Carver Lyon Elementary School – Dr. Dorothy Gallman, Principal

ACTION: Dr. Dorothy Gallman, Principal welcomed everyone to Carver-Lyon Elementary School.

- Carver Lyon Singers – Ms. Anne Forrest-Bowers, Music Instructor
- Carver Lyon Dance Expressions – Ms. Sharon Hanks, Dance Coordinator

ACTION: The Carver Lyon Singers and Dance Expressions performed for the audience.

4. Double Dutch Force Performance – Ms. Joy Holman, Athletic Specialist

ACTION: The members of Council presented a Proclamation to the Double Dutch Force for 25-years of service.

5. Recognition of the Greenview Dolphins Swim Team – The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine

ACTION: The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine recognized the success of the Greenview Dolphins Swim Team. Coaches McIntosh and Young thanked the Council for their continued support.

6. Introduction of the Winners of the Citywide Wellness Challenge - The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine

ACTION: The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine recognized the participants, winners, partners and sponsors of the 2nd Citywide Wellness Challenge.

7. Richland School District Two Russian Educators and Leaders Event – Ms. Elaine R. Delk, J.D., Executive Director of Community Relations for Richland School District Two

ACTION: Ms. Elaine Delk, Executive Director of Community Relations for Richland School District Two introduced members of the Russian Delegation of Educators.

8. [Columbia Talent Magnet Project](#) – Mr. Greg Hilton and Ms. Courtney Herring / Engenuity SC

ACTION: Mr. Greg Hilton, Engenuity SC and Ms. Courtney Herring, Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce presented the Columbia Talent Magnet Survey results and recommendations to the members of Council.

- 8a. **Firefighters' Efficiency Study Recommendations - Mr. Mike Cosola, Columbia Fire Department

ACTION: Mr. Mike Cosola, Columbia Fire Department / Firefighters Association appeared before the Columbia City Council to express their concerns with the budget reductions resulting in Fire Engines 8 & 9 being taken out of service and their objections to a proposed efficiency study and the implementation of a Tax Increment Financing District.

The Honorable Belinda F. Gergel directed the Interim City Manager to identify available resources within the Fire Department's budget to be used to reopen Fire Engines 8 and 9 and to provide a timeline for doing so.

SIDEWALK VENDING PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTIONS

9. [Resolution No.: R-2009-066](#) – Amending Sidewalk Vending Locations and Authorized Merchandise – *This item was deferred on October 7, 2009*

ACTION: Consideration of this item was deferred at the request of the applicant.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

10. **Mid-Block Pad near 1426 Main Street**

[Ordinance No.: 2009-101](#) – Granting a Franchise to Dale Nunn d/b/a Dale's Hot Dogs and Gyros for operation of a stationary sidewalk vending cart in the mid-block pad near 1426 Main Street – *This item was deferred on October 7, 2009*

ACTION: Consideration of this item was deferred at the request of the applicant.

CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION / ACTION

11. [Plug In Carolina Request for Letter of Intent](#) – Mr. James Poch, Executive Director

ACTION: Consideration of this item was deferred.

12. [Ordinance No.: 2009-113](#) - Amending the Code of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17, Planning, Land Development and Zoning to add a new Article IX entitled "Columbia Housing Fund" – The Honorable Mayor Robert D. Coble

ACTION: There was a consensus of Council to direct the City Attorney to meet with Mr. Kyle Michel, Mr. Mark Cox and Ms. Clanitra Stewart to discuss any recommended technical changes to the ordinance and report back to Council within 2-weeks.

- 12a. **Bull Street Property Advisory Committee – The Honorable Belinda F. Gergel

ACTION: There was a consensus of Council to direct the Interim City Manager to provide staff nominations for appointment to the Bull Street Advisory Committee and to draft a Development Agreement for the Bull Street property in conjunction with the full advisory committee. The members of Council are to provide the nominations for neighborhood leaders to the Mayor.

13. Council is asked to approve an [Application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity](#), as requested by the Business License Division. Award to Abdul R. Mughal doing business as Liberty Cab Company located at 1701 Horseshoe Drive, Columbia, SC.

ACTION: APPROVED

14. Council is asked to approve the Destruction of [Two Hundred Eighty-Three \(283\) Firearms](#) for disposal, as requested by the Police Department's Evidence and Property Unit.

ACTION: APPROVED

15. [Yorkshire Neighborhood Traffic Control Request](#)

Council is asked to approve the installation of speed humps and the request to remove the existing 3-way stops on Yorkshire Drive and Kimberly Street.

ACTION: There was a consensus of Council to defer this matter back to the Yorkshire Neighborhood Association for a vote; all property owners are to be properly notified in advance of the meeting and provided with the correct information related to this request. The members of Council will reconsider the request after this process has occurred.

16. [Speed Hump Request](#)

Council is asked to approve the installation of two (2) speed humps in the section of Parkman Drive / Converse Street between East Buchanan Street and the City limits at Wittering Drive.

ACTION: APPROVED

17. [Proposed "No Left Turn" Restriction Request](#)

Council is asked to approve the request for left turn restrictions for vehicles entering from Lady Street onto Huger Street during weekdays from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

ACTION: APPROVED

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS, AGREEMENTS and CHANGE ORDERS

18. Council is asked to approve the [Purchase of One Hundred Thirty-Two \(132\) Remote Speaker Microphones](#), as requested by the Police Department. Award to Motorola C&E, Inc., using the SC State Contract in the amount of \$10,625.49. This vendor is located in Sumter, SC. Funding Source: *FY09 Edward Byrne JAG Grant 2659999-623700/ JL9211000103-623700*

ACTION: APPROVED

19. Council is asked to approve the [Purchase of Equipment and Supplies](#), as requested by the Fire Department. Award to WW Grainger, using the SC State Contract in the amount of \$18,165.33. *Funding Source: (2549999-627100 \$12,773.03); (2549999-657400 \$5,392.30)*

ACTION: APPROVED

20. Council is asked to approve a [Renewal Professional Services Contract](#) to Manufacture Companies in the Benelux Countries of Europe and Switzerland as a location for their expanding US operations, as requested by Economic Development. Award to Global Consulting & Affiliates in the amount of \$20,000. *Funding Source: Economic Development Contingency Account 5511301 636600*

ACTION: Consideration of this item was deferred.

21. Council is asked to approve [Project #WM4012](#); Revised Cost Estimate for Emergency Repair of the Melrose Elevated Tank, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to Chao and Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$23,000.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 5529999-WM401201-851500*

ACTION: APPROVED

22. Council is asked to approve the [Purchase of Thirteen \(13\) Portable Radios and Accessories](#), as requested by the Police Department. Award to Motorola C&E, Inc., using the SC State Contract in the amount of \$46,601.71. This vendor is located in Sumter, SC. Funding Source: *FY09 Edward Byrne JAG Grant 2659999-623700/ JL9211000103-623700*

ACTION: APPROVED

23. Council is asked to approve [Project #WM4169](#); Change Order #3; 16" Water Main along Taylor Street, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to DS Utilities, Inc., in the amount of \$50,825.00. This vendor is located in Little Mountain, SC. *Funding Source: WM416901 851500 – Note: The additional costs associated with this change order are to compensate the contractor for additional quantities installed to complete the project*

ACTION: APPROVED

24. Council is asked to approve [Project #SS7093](#); Lift Station Wet Cleaning Phase I, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to Southeast Pipe Survey, the lowest bidder in the amount of \$169,595.00. This vendor is located in Patterson, GA. *Funding Source: SS709301*

ACTION: APPROVED

25. Council is asked to approve [Project #SS708802](#); Agreement for Developing and Implementing a Sanitary Sewer System Evaluation Study (SSES) to Identify and Address Sources of Inflow / Infiltration (I / I) Phase 2, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to Brown & Caldwell (B&C) in the amount of \$315,200. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Sewer Improvements Fund Account 5529999-SS708802-636600 – This is a Mentor Protégé Program Project*

ACTION: APPROVED

26. Council is asked to approve the [Agreement to provide services to the City's Winter Shelter](#). Award to the Cooperative Ministry in the amount of \$485,000.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Homeless Shelter Budget; HPRP Grant*

ACTION: APPROVED

27. Council is asked to approve [Project #SS7094](#); Emergency 8" Repair at Phillips, Cook, Marsteller and Miller Avenue, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to Trussell Bros. Construction, the lowest bidder in the amount of \$679,743.40. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: SS709401 – This is a Mentor Protégé Program Project*

ACTION: APPROVED

28. Council is asked to approve the [Purchase of Bill Printing Services](#), as requested by the Water Customer Service Department. Award to Laser Print Plus in the amount of \$781,132.80. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *This will be charged as follows:*

Services Required by the City of Columbia	Account Number	Yearly Total
Electronic Archiving and Billing Services	5511407-638300	\$34,290.00
Water Billing & Collection Notice Processing	5511407-638300 5511407-631100	\$713,310.00
Solid Waste Bill Processing	1014401-636000 1014401-631100	\$11,167.20
Parking Bill Processing	5313101-621000 5313101-631100	\$3,045.60
Parking Summons Processing	5311411-637000	\$19,320.00
	Total	\$781,132.80

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

29. [Ordinance No.: 2009-108](#) – Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute a Lease Agreement between the City of Columbia and SCANA Communications, Inc. for lease of a 6,400 square foot portion of the Lake Murray Water Treatment Plant known as Lexington County TMS #001-800-07-002 for a cell tower – *First reading approval was given on October 7, 2009.*

ACTION: APPROVED on second reading.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

30. [Ordinance No.: 2009-032](#) – Granting encroachment to Arnold Construction Corporation for installation and maintenance of landscaping, an irrigation system, driveway, patio, guard rail, electrical service lines and a dumpster pad within the right of way area of the 700 block of Washington Street adjacent to their building at 1331 Gadsden Street

ACTION: APPROVED on first reading.

RESOLUTIONS

31. [Resolution No.: R-2009-078](#) – Authorizing Consent to an Amended Agreement between the City of Columbia and the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority for restructuring of the Authority – [Amended Agreement](#) /[Amended By-laws](#)

ACTION: APPROVED

- A. [Resolution No.: R-2009-080](#) - Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute an Estoppel Certificate and Subordination, Non-Disturbance and Attornment Agreement with BankMeridian, N.A. for the 10th floor of 1401 Main Street

ACTION: APPROVED

- B. [Resolution No.: R-2009-082](#) – Authorizing and approving the Interim City Manager's execution of a Waiver of the City's Right to Repurchase 4.95 acres, Richland County TMS #13512-02-01, located on The Boulevard, in the Columbia Industrial Park provided for in restrictions of record recorded in Book 405 at Page 1697

ACTION: APPROVED

APPEARANCE OF PUBLIC HAVING BUSINESS WITH CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Bill Manley

- **Council adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.**