



City Council Worksession

Meeting Minutes – City Hall Planning Conference Room, 1st Floor

February 11, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

5:00PM

Mayor, Billy Keyserling

Councilmembers Mike McFee, Nan Sutton and Stephen Murray in attendance. Councilman Phil Cromer absent.

II. EMPLOYEE NEW HIRE RECOGNITION

A. Police - Matt Clancy, Chief

Chief Clancy introduced Patrolmen Sterling Wiren, Alexander Nestor, Dylan Perry, Kevin O'Quinn, Caroline Combs and Nickolas Ramos

B. Public Works - Nathan Farrow, Public Works Director

Mr. Farrow introduced Norris Bloodsaw and Stephen Kadas

III. PRESENTATION

A. MKSK Corridors Evaluation Report-Draft - Tee Coker, MKSK Project Manager

Mr. Coker gave an overview of this project. He described the intent of this project was to evaluate a select set of commercial corridors to look at their zoning in particular, then to engage stakeholders to include City staff, elected officials and those who are involved in the development community to get an inside understanding of what's working, what maybe needs some improvement when it comes to zoning along these corridors and then to provide some recommendations to the City.

The corridors being referenced in this project are parts of Boundary Street, Ribaut Road, Robert Smalls Parkway, Parris Island Gateway and Sea Island Parkway.

Councilwoman Sutton said she likes all the recommendations.

Councilman Murray stated that we need to be very careful with what we undo. We've spent a lot of time and a lot of energy with Form Base Code which engaged a lot more stakeholders in the community. We also need to be very careful rolling back the standards in T5-UC, as each corridor has a different development pattern.

Mayor Pro Tem McFee said the whole premise of this evaluation was to look at specificity and to allow flexibility within the different corridors.

Mayor Keyserling thinks the ideas are good in the report. He stated that this makes us realize that one size does not fit all, and this has been a useful exercise.

Tee Coker stated that moving forward MKSK would be cognizant of the difference in all the corridors.

A copy of the presentation can be found in the February 11, 2020 Worksession agenda packet available on the City's website.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Monument Signs along Commercial Corridors - David Prichard, Community & Economic Development Director

Mr. Prichard presented Council with visuals of 10 sq. ft. and 20 sq. ft. signs adding that currently the City does not allow monument signs on Boundary, but in T5-UC the City allows monument signs that are 10 sq. ft. Someone has asked if we allow bigger in T5-UC. Mr. Prichard proceeded to give Council additional visuals of 32, 7, 25 and 33 1/3 sq. ft. signs for comparisons and discussion.

The consensus from Council was to re-look at the signs around town. No directives were given to Mr. Prichard. Further discussion regarding this item will happen at a future Worksession.

B. 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Priority Needs Assessment - David Prichard, Community & Economic Development Director

Mr. Prichard gave an overview of the CDBG grant program and gave examples of the type of projects that could be done within the City's capital improvement plan, which would qualify for funding under the program.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pursuant to Title 30, Chapter 4, Section (70) (a) (2) of the South Carolina Code of Law: Discussion regarding Purchase/Sale of Property.

VI. ADJOURN

6:38PM

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