



CITY OF COLUMBIA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2008
9:00 A.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1737 MAIN STREET

The Columbia City Council conducted a Meeting on Wednesday, February 6, 2008 in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina. Mayor Robert D. Coble called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. The following members of Council were present: The Honorable E.W. Cromartie, II, The Honorable Anne M. Sinclair, The Honorable Sam Davis and The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine. The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann and The Honorable Kirkman Finlay III were absent. Also present were Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager and Ms. Erika D. Salley, City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of November 12 and 27, 2007

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of November 12, 2007 and November 27, 2007 on a single motion and as presented.

PRESENTATIONS

- 1a. ****Downtown Residential Development – Mr. Tom Pioreschi, Principal / Capitol Places**

Mr. Tom Pioreschi, Principal / Capitol Places presented information on his residential and retail developments in the City of Columbia. He appreciates the partnership, help, vision and support from the City of Columbia. The first project was the renovation of the Kress Building in 2000, which was extended with internal lofts to 41,000 square feet. It has thirty-one (31) apartments and two (2) retail tenants. The second project was the renovation of the old Berry's on Main in 2002, which is being linked to the Park Building this year. There will be twenty-six (26) apartments and six (6) retail tenants. The City of Columbia helped to create a parking lot behind the Silvers Five and Dime, a 21,000 square feet building that was renovated in 2003 and will be upgraded in 2008. The next project was the Barringer Building; it was constructed in 1903 and was the oldest high rise in South Carolina. It was renovated in 2006 and has seventy-five (75) apartments and five (5) retail tenants. The next project was a joint venture at 1520 Main Street, which connects to the adjacent building. There are twenty-nine (29) residential units; five (5) live /work units; and two (2) commercial condos. Capitol Places made partner in 2002 and became the managing partner of the Main Street Lofts in 2006. The site will be taken through condo conversion in the next twelve (12) months, but now consists of forty-two (42) apartments and one (1) commercial tenant. They are currently pre-selling at Vasion Condominiums, which is 140,000 square feet to be completed in the Summer 2009. They are also involved in the renovation of the old Senate Street Fire Station. They will construct the front of the building as an entire office building so they can get tax credits. The front of the building is pre-leased and the back will be a residential building. Mr. Pioreschi reported that 235 people now live on Main Street and these developments have consumed over 400,000 square feet of vacant property. He noted that Capitol Places has received five (5) awards as a result of their preservation efforts.

UPDATES AND REPORTS

2. City Manager's Report – Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager

Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager provided a report on the following: Water / Sewer Infrastructure, Chief of Police Search, Financial Update, the Winter Shelter and the North Main Street Project.

This report was received as information, questions were asked and answered, but no action was taken.

3. Staff Reports

- Cottontown's Historic Designation Process – Ms. Amy Moore, Historic Preservation Planner

Ms. Amy Moore, Historic Preservation Planner, asked for approval for the Cottontown Neighborhood Association to move forward with the historic designation process. This is a rectangular area bounded by Elmwood Avenue, Main Street, Grace Street and Bull Street and it is already a National Register District. The process should end in September 2008.

Upon motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to authorize staff to assist with the pursuit of a Design Preservation Overlay District for the Cottontown Neighborhood.

- North Main Master Plan – Ms. Dana Turner, Assistant City Manager for Commerce and Development

Ms. Dana Turner, Assistant City Manager for Commerce and Development, reported that several meetings have occurred with key staff and certain members of the community. They have explored the idea of a financial incentive overlay district and will bring back a proposal in a couple of weeks. Some ideas include amortizing water and sewer fees over a three (3) year period, expedited plan review for projects in the catalyst area, possible fee reductions in other areas, etc. It might be more appropriate to consider a new zoning classification called MX-1. This mixed use zoning classification encourages more pedestrian activity. Staff distributed fifty-(50) copies of the North Main Master Plan on DVD to the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeal and Design Development Review Commission members. She noted that the plan is moving forward. They are moving forward with plans for the Empowerment Zone to take over responsibility for the North Main Plaza and meetings are underway with new retailers and other entities.

This report was received as information, questions were asked and answered, but no action was taken.

- Sprinkler System Legislation – Mr. Jack West, State Capitol Group

Mr. Jack West, State Capitol Group / City Lobbyist reported that there are two (2) pieces of Legislation that are moving forward. Representative Harrell and others sponsored the House version H4470. It has gone through the committee and subcommittee at warp speed. It will pass the House next week as a voluntary compliance bill that provides a credit against State income tax for anybody who purchases or improves a sprinkler system. The credit is equal to the cost to purchase plus installation up to \$50,000 with a maximum deduction of \$10,000 per year for five (5) years. Section two of the bill affects the City of Columbia and deals with water. There has been a great deal of concern about municipalities, including the City of Columbia, using the sprinkler systems as a profit center and there's a provision in the house bill that says, "Where a separate line is installed solely to support a fire sprinkler system, compensation and charges must not exceed the actual cost associated with that line."

In other words the State Board of Economic Advisors (BEA) estimates that if this language is passed and put into law, municipalities and Special Service Districts in South Carolina could lose approximately \$19.8 million in revenue next year.

Mr. John Dooley, Director of Utilities and Engineering, explained that a 4" line is \$18,000; a 6" line is \$25,000; and an 8" line is \$40,000 to include the meter and installation.

Upon motion by Mayor Coble, seconded by Mr. Cromartie, Council voted unanimously to direct staff to draft an Ordinance that is similar to the language being recommended by the pending Bill H4470.

Mr. Jack West, State Capitol Group / City Lobbyist added that the City will be impacted by the section in the speaker's bill that gives a five (5) year property tax exemption from City and County taxes on the value of any sprinkler system installed. The next bill S860, that's the Senate bill being sponsored by Senator McConnell. It is a work in progress. A hearing was held yesterday morning in which Columbia Fire Chief Anderson and Fire Marshall Carmen Floyd testified in favor of the sprinkler legislation. This bill is voluntary, but I believe it's different, because it puts the ball in the municipality's lap and allows them to adopt a Fire Sprinkler System Ordinance for existing structures. It also has the same clause relating to the charges and compensation to municipalities and the same property tax exemption.

CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION / ACTION

4. Council is asked to approve a request from the Belleclave Community Association to reduce the speed limit on roadways within the subdivision from 30 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour. If this request is approved, the appropriate signage will be installed. - *Approved*

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve a request from the Belleclave Community Association to reduce the speed limit on roadways within the subdivision from 30 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour.

5. Palmetto Capital City Classic – Mr. Charles P. Austin, Sr., City Manager - *Consideration of this item was deferred.*

A motion by Mr. Cromartie, seconded by Ms. Devine, to allocate funding in the amount of \$25,000 for marketing of the Palmetto Capital City Classic, was withdrawn.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

- **Council opened the Pubic Hearing at 10:25 a.m.**

No one appeared in support of or in opposition to this Ordinance.

- **Council closed the Public Hearing at 10:38 a.m.**

6. Ordinance No.: 2007-108 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III, Building Permits, Sec. 5-204, Fee Schedule - *Approved on first reading.*

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2007-108 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III, Building Permits, Sec. 5-204, Fee Schedule.

ZONING PUBLIC HEARING – Continued from January 23, 2008

- **Council opened the Zoning Public Hearing at 10:38 a.m.**

CONFIRM ZONING OF PREVIOUSLY ANNEXED PROPERTIES – FIRST READING

7. 36.48 acres, Clemson Frontage Road; TMS# 25700-02-04 & 10; confirm C-3 zoning. - *Approved on first reading.*

Upon motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the *Confirmation of Zoning of Previously Annexed Properties* for 36.48 acres, Clemson Frontage Road; TMS# 25700-02-04 & 10; confirm C-3 zoning.

ANNEXATIONS WITH REZONING – FIRST READING

8. **Brevard and Jefferson Allen Streets (Saluda Ridge)**, TMS# 07306-04-01, -05, -16, -19, -20, -21; 07306-05-15, -17(p), -18; 07305-05-03, -04; rezone from Richland County RS-1 (Single-Family Residential) to PUD-R (Residential Planned Unit Development).

Ordinance No.: 2008-011 - Annexing 919 Brevard Street; 827, 829, and 833 Brevard Street; Lots 6, 7, & 8, Jefferson Allen Drive; 912 Brevard Street; Lots 10 & 13, Jefferson Allen Drive; 1002 Brevard Street; 1003 Brevard Street; NX207 Saluda River Road; and Jefferson Allen Drive, Richland County TMS No: 07306-05-17, 07306-05-18, 07306-04-16, 07306-04-20, 07305-05-03, 07306-04-19, 07305-05-04, 07306-04-01, 07306-04-05, 07306-04-21, and 07306-05-15

Upon motion by Mr. Cromartie, seconded by Mr. Davis, Council voted unanimously to continue the Zoning Public Hearing until February 20, 2008.

MAP AMENDMENTS / REZONINGS – FIRST READING

9. **3400 Margrave Road**, TMS# 09112-03-08; rezone from RS-2 (Single-Family Residential) and RG-1 (General Residential) to PUD-R (Residential Planned Unit Development).

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Mr. Davis, Council voted unanimously to continue the Zoning Public Hearing until February 20, 2008.

- **Council closed the Zoning Public Hearing at 11:06 a.m.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Mr. Cromartie, seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to approve on a single motion the **Consent Agenda Items 9a.** through **A.** and **D.** as amended. Consideration of **Items B.** and **C.** were deferred.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AGREEMENTS

- 9a. ****Council is asked to approve a Contract for Professional Accounting Services, as requested by the Finance Department. Award to the Municipal Association of South Carolina at a rate of \$120.00 per hour. Funding Source: 1011401, 1011402 and 551409 - Approved**

10. Council is asked to approve Contract Negotiations for the Design of the Owens Field Skate Park, as requested by the Parks and Recreation Department. Award to Wally HollyDay Design of Aliso Viejo, CA in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00. Funding Source: *GL-4039999-636600 / JL-PK004501-636600 - Approved*
11. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Gooseneck Horse Trailer, as requested by the Police Department. Award to Middleboro Trailer Sales, Inc. of Eastover, SC in the amount of \$25,400.00. *Funding Source: 1012406-658400 - Approved*
12. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of ArcIMS, ArcSDE and ArcGIS Server Maintenance, as requested by the Information Technology Department. Award to ESRI of Redlands, CA, as a sole source purchase in the amount of \$43,782.35. *Funding Sources: 5511121-638200 \$22,664.94; 5511706-638200 \$6,099.00; 5534201-638200 \$1,819.00; 5511701-638200 \$1,926.00; 1011601-638200 \$2,140.00; 9048511-638200 \$535.00; 1011124-638200 \$3,638.00; 4141221-638200 \$321.00; 1012303-638200 \$1,513.54; and 1012405-638200 \$3,125.87 - Approved*
13. Council is asked to approve Change Order #1; Roberts Street Winter Shelter Pump Station, as requested by Engineering Administration. Award to Trussell Brothers Construction Co., Inc., of Columbia, SC in the amount of \$51,247.00. *Funding Source: Sewer Improvement Fund – This change order is necessary to compensate the contractor for additional work done to complete the installation of the pump station. - Approved*
14. Council is asked to approve an Agreement for Engineering Services for Phase I of the Security Camera Project, as requested by the Security Camera Committee. Award to CH2MHill, LLC of Spartanburg, SC in the amount of \$92,230.00. *There is \$250,000.00 available for the Security Camera Project. - Approved*
15. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Twenty (20) Watch Guard Digital In-Car Camera System Overhead Console Units, as requested by the Police Department. Award to Watch Guard Video of Plano, TX in the amount of \$101,650.00. *Funding Source: 1012401-657400 - Approved*
16. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of the following Vehicles, as requested by various Departments. Award to the following vendors in the total amount of \$116,884.00. - *Approved*

Department	Vehicle	Account	Vendor	Location	Amount
Utilities: Columbia Canal WTP	Flex Fuel Ford F-150	5516206-658500	Vic Bailey Ford Inc.	Spartanburg, SC	\$20,164.00
Utilities: Lake Murray WTP	Flex Fuel Ford F-150	5516207-658500	Vic Bailey Ford Inc.	Spartanburg, SC	\$20,164.00
Public Works: Animal Control	V-6 Engine Ford F-150	1012103-658500	Vic Bailey Ford Inc.	Spartanburg, SC	\$12,569.00
Police: Confiscated Funds DEA	Flex Fuel Chevy Impala	2042412-658500	Capitol Chevrolet	Columbia, SC	\$15,170.00
Police: Confiscated Funds DEA	Flex Fuel Chevy Tahoe	2042412-658500	Herndon Chevrolet	Lexington, SC	\$28,067.00
Police: Confiscated Funds DEA	V-6 Engine Dodge Charger	2042412-658500	Benson Chrysler Dodge Jeep	Beaufort, SC	\$20,750.00

17. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Bunker Gear, as requested by the Fire Department. Award to Newton's Fire & Safety, the low bidder, in the amount of \$383,862.50. This firm is located in Swepsonville, NC. *Funding Source: 1012303-625900 \$191,931.25 and 2082306-625900 \$191,931.25 - Approved*

18. Council is asked to approve Maintenance / Rehabilitation of two (2) Grit Tanks and Associated Parts at the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant, as requested by the Utilities and Engineering Department. Award to WSG Solutions of Montgomeryville, PA in the amount of \$407,915.42. *Funding Source: JLSS704401-851200 – This firm has all of the design and fabrication drawings in their possession and are the sole proprietor for this equipment. - Approved*
19. Council is asked to approve Project WM3584 Phase II; New 48” Water Main from Monticello Road to I-77 Divisions A, B and C, as requested by the Utilities and Engineering Department. Award to Rockdale Pipeline, Inc. of Conyers, GA, in the amount of \$15,636,685.42. *Funding Source: WM358401-851500 – The CIP budgeted amount is \$20,961,414.00. – Approved*

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

20. Ordinance No.: 2007-102 – Granting encroachment to Pulaski Street, LLC for construction and maintenance of off-site parking and landscaping within the rights of way areas of the 900 block of Pulaski Street, 500 block of Pendleton Street and 500 block of College Street for 900 Pulaski The Village. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*
21. Ordinance No.: 2007-104 – Authorizing transfer of an unused portion of right of way in the 1900 block Wayne Street to Townhomes at Arsenal Hill Community Association, Inc. *First reading approval was given on December 12, 2007. – Approved on second reading.*
22. Ordinance No.: 2007-109 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina Chapter 23, Utilities and Engineering, Article III, Water Service, Sec 23-68, Separate meter required for each structure; exceptions. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*
23. Ordinance No.: 2008-005 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 23, Utilities and Engineering, Article V, Water and Sewer Rates, Sec 23-144, Special water service fees. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*
24. Ordinance No.: 2008-007 – Dissolving the special tax allocation fund for the Urban Core Redevelopment area and Terminating the designation of such redevelopment area as a Title 31, Chapter 6 of the code of laws of South Carolina 1976 and amended; and other matters relating thereto. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*

CONFIRM ZONING OF PREVIOUSLY ANNEXED PROPERTIES – SECOND READING

25. **26 Bayleaf Court, 55 Redbay Road, 52 Redbay Road, 15 Redbay Court, and 12 Redbay Court;** TMS# 28812-02-04, 28812-02-06, 28812-02-08, 28812-02-16, and 28808-03-09; confirm PUD-R zoning. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*
26. **106.87 acres, N/S Atlas Road (A/K/A Congaree Pointe)** TMS# 13500-02-04, 13510-01-03; confirm PUD-R zoning. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*
27. **N/S Hickory Forest Drive (Canary Woods: Phases II, IV and V);** TMS# 22012-01-02, -03, -04, -09, 22109-02-05; confirm RS-3 zoning. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*

28. **1055 Berea Road**, TMS# 11206-03-03; confirm M-2 zoning. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*
29. **3396 Broad River Road**, TMS# 06114-01-03; confirm C-3 zoning. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*
30. **5213, 5243, and 5247 Forest Drive**, TMS# 16706-03-34, -35, -36; confirm C-3 zoning. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*
31. **7655 Garners Ferry Road**, TMS# 16314-03-21; confirm C-3 zoning. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*

MAP AMENDMENTS / REZONING – SECOND READING

- A. **3101 Devine Street**, TMS# 13804-14-10; rezone from C-1 (Office and Institutional) to PUD-C (Commercial Planned Unit Development). *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading, provided: (1) The applicant does not allow parking within the front yard, and (2) The applicant closes the curb cut on Greenwood and/or Kirkwood Roads.*
- B. **4630, 4628 and 4626 North Main Street & 1304, 1308 and 1312 Columbia College Drive**, TMS# 09215-09-01, 09215-09-03 and 11603-01-01 (p); rezone from C-3 (General Commercial) and RG-2 (General Residential) to PUD-C (Commercial Planned Unit Development). *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. - Consideration of this item was deferred until February 20, 2008.*
- C. **3601 Ridgewood Avenue**, TMS# 9209-24-04; rezone from RS-2 (Single-Family Residential) to PUD-R (Residential Planned Unit Development). *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. - Consideration of this matter was deferred.*

TEXT AMENDMENTS – SECOND READING

- D. **Private Dormitories** amend §17-55, §17-258, §17-305, §17-321 of Zoning Ordinance to establish use classification and associated regulations for Private Dormitories.

Ordinance No.: 2008-004 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinance of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17, Planning, Land Development and Zoning, Article III, Zoning, Division I, Generally, Sec. 17-55, Definitions; Division 8, District Descriptions; Use and Dimensional Regulations, Sec. 17-258, Table of permitted uses; Division 9, Supplementary District Regulations, Sec 17-305, Planned unit developments; and to add Sec. 17-321 Private Dormitory. *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. – Approved on second reading.*

Upon motion by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Cromartie, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2008-004 – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinance of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17, Planning, Land Development and Zoning, Article III, Zoning, Division I, Generally, Sec. 17-55, Definitions; Division 8, District Descriptions; Use and Dimensional Regulations, Sec. 17-258, Table of permitted uses; Division 9, Supplementary District Regulations, Sec 17-305, Planned unit developments; and to add Sec. 17-321 Private Dormitory. Ms. Devine recused herself from voting due to a conflict of interest.

MAP AMENDMENTS / REZONING – SECOND READING

- E. **3.54-acres on Atlas Road**, TMS# 16311-02-05; rezone from C-3 (General Commercial) to PUD-R (Residential Planned Unit Development). *First reading approval was given on January 23, 2008. - Approved on second reading, provided: (1) The development does not encroach into the floodway. Lot #14 may need to be removed because of its location within the floodway. City Floodplain Administrator will make determination; (2) Fence along Atlas Road may be 6-feet high but cannot impede sight visibility; and (3) Where PUD is silent, RG-1 standards shall apply. Ms. Devine abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.*

RESOLUTIONS

Upon motion by Mr. Cromartie, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve **Items F.** and **G.** on a single motion.

- F. Resolution No.: R-2008-003 – Authorizing consumption of beer and wine at Viva la Vista
- *Approved*
- G. Resolution No.: R-2008-004 – Authorizing consumption of beer and wine at Vista Lights
- *Approved*

CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

- H. Central Midlands Council of Governments

Upon motion by Mr. Cromartie, seconded by Mr. Davis, Council voted unanimously to approve the re-appointment of Ms. Cathy Novinger for a second and final term to expire on June 15, 2010; the appointment of Ms. Teresa Wilson Florence as a replacement for Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine; and the appointment of Ms. Ellen Cooper as a replacement for Mr. Milton Kimpson, Sr. Ms. Florence and Ms. Cooper are being appointed for a three (3) year term to expire on June 15, 2011.

- I. Code Enforcement Taskforce

Upon motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Ms. Annie Williams as the Farrow Road Corridor Representative. Mr. Cromartie will nominate an individual from the Two Notch Merchants Association as a Two Notch corridor representative and Mr. Finlay will nominate an individual from Woodhill Mall as a Garners Ferry Road corridor representative. Those two appointments should be finalized on February 20, 2008.

- J. Midlands Authority for Conventions, Sports and Tourism

Upon motion by Ms. Devine, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Mr. Andrew “Nick” Theodore for a two-year term.

- K. Mini Grant Committee

Upon motion by Mayor Coble, seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Elliott Houser, Sr. as a Columbia Council of Neighborhoods representative for a two year term expiring September 30, 2010; Zenda Leaks (Mayor Coble) and Wilhelmina Hill (Mr. Cromartie) for a three year term expiring on September 30, 2011; and the reappointment of Myra Washington (Mr. Rickenmann) for a second and final term to expire on September 30, 2010.

**Mayor Coble recognized students from Benedict College.

APPEARANCE OF PUBLIC HAVING BUSINESS WITH CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Lee Carroll, Save Our Kids, appeared before the members of Council to express his concerns about the request for sidewalks on Lorick Avenue.

Ms. Yolanda Smith, Latimore Manor, explained that she is a mother of five (5) and grandmother of seven (7) children. She has seen kids running across the street to avoid being hit by speeding vehicles. She said that the speed humps are needed.

Ms. Angela Gary asked if the City of Columbia honored citizen's arrests, because she sees Police Officers speeding on Lorick Avenue as well.

An unidentified female observed the traffic being non-responsive to children in the area.

Mr. John Temple Ligon, says that he is a tenant in one of Tom Pioreschi's buildings and whatever Mr. Pioreschi says, you can take to the bank. He is doing a lecture on the history of the town plan of New York City on Friday at 6:00 p.m. in the Kress Building, 1502 Main Street, Suite 221. On Saturday, March 1, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. he will be leading a tour through the Jasper Johns' Exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Mr. Cromartie, seconded by Ms. Sinclair, Council voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 11:57 a.m. for the discussion of **Items L.** through **N.** as amended.

- L. Receipt of legal advice, which relates to a matter covered by attorney-client privilege
This item was discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken.
- M. **Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements
This item was discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken.
- N. **Discussion of employment of an employee
This item was discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken.

- **Mr. Cromartie left the meeting at 1:54 p.m.**
- **Council adjourned the meeting at 2:13 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Erika D. Salley
City Clerk