



CITY OF COLUMBIA  
CITY COUNCIL  
DISTRICT I EVENING MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2011  
6:00 P.M.  
GREENVIEW PARK GYMNASIUM  
6700 DAVID STREET

The Columbia City Council conducted a District I Evening Meeting on Tuesday, August 16, 2011 at Greenview Park located at 6700 David Street, Columbia South Carolina. The Honorable Mayor Stephen K. Benjamin called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m. and the following members of Council were present: The Honorable Sam Davis, The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine, The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, The Honorable Belinda F. Gergel, The Honorable Leona K. Plough and The Honorable Brian DeQuincey Newman. Also present were Mr. Steven A. Gantt, City Manager and Ms. Erika D. Salley, City Clerk.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**INVOCATION**

Chaplain Darrell Croft, Columbia Fire Department offered the Invocation.

**APPEARANCE OF PUBLIC WITH COMMENTS RELATED TO THE AGENDA ITEMS**

No one appeared at this time.

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Welcome Address – The Honorable Sam Davis, District I Representative

The Honorable Sam Davis, District I Representative welcomed everyone to the District I Evening Meeting in the Greenview Community.

Ms. Gloria Woodard, President of the North Columbia Civic Club welcomed everyone to the North Columbia Community. We are thankful that you brought the meeting to our community. Thank you for all the assistance provided to us after the microburst.

Mr. Bobby Rogers, Greenview Crime & Safety Committee Member reported that the Columbia Police Department is working with them to reduce of crime in the Greenview Community.

Mr. Matthew Costello, Executive Director for the Eau Claire Promise Zone said that they are a 501 (c) 3 educational institution. They are drafting a new business plan and want to know how they can be perfect partners in the community. We will link existing programs and services to build a stronger community by strengthening family support and economic empowerment.

2. Columbia Police Department Recognition – The Honorable Stephen K. Benjamin – *This item was withdrawn from the agenda.*
3. Columbia Youth Swimming League Recognition – Mr. Pat Connolly, Interim Director of Parks & Recreation

Mr. Pat Connolly, Interim Director of Parks & Recreation recognized the Maxcy Gregg Park Swordfish for winning the overall swimming competition and finishing the season undefeated and the Greenview Dolphins for winning their first division title.

4. James R. Clark Memorial Sickle Cell Foundation – Ms. Peggy Funny-Roane, Chairwoman

Ms. Peggy Funny-Roane, Chairwoman announced that September is Sickle Cell Awareness Month and invited everyone to register for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual James R. Clark Sickle Cell Walk in honor of those living with sickle cell disease and to raise money for the James R. Clark Memorial Scholarship Fund. The event will be held on Saturday, September 10, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 1300 Pine Street. This year's Celebrity Walk Ambassador is Mr. Vince Ford.

5. Historic Columbia Foundation's Jubilee Festival of Heritage – Ms. Robin Waites, Executive Director

Ms. Gloria James, Co-Chair of the 2011 Jubilee Festival of Heritage invited everyone to participate in the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Jubilee Festival of Heritage on Saturday, August 27, 2011 at the Mann-Simons Cottage located at 1403 Richland Street from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The festival will include tours, demonstration artists, musical entertainment, children's activities, vendors and more.

6. Akeru Student Truancy Survey – Dr. Germon "Mama G" Miller, Akeru Legacy Council Founder

Dr. Germon Miller, Akeru Legacy Council Founder summarized the Truancy Student Needs Assessment, by stating that truancy is a situation that causes our youth to make bad decisions. She urged the Council to review the full assessment, which gave youth the opportunity to reveal thoughts that normally would not surface. She further urged the Council to work with the school districts and other entities to address truancy.

**CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION / ACTION**

- 7. Fiscal Year 2011 TIGER III Program – Ms. Teresa Wilson, Assistant City Manager

Ms. Teresa Wilson, Assistant City Manager reported that the City has prepared an application for TIGER III Program funding for the completion of the North Main Street Project. It is an 80/20 match and the amounts funded are matched by the Water and Sewer Fund for infrastructure projects.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to endorse the application for Fiscal Year 2011 TIGER Program III funding.

- 8. Neighborhood Street Lighting Request – Mr. Dave Brewer, Director of Traffic Engineering - *Approved*

Upon a single motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Davis, Council voted unanimously to approve the following request for neighborhood street lighting.

<b>Neighborhoods Listed by Priority</b>	<b>Existing Lights</b>	<b>Requested Lights</b>	<b>Current Lease Cost / Annually</b>	<b>Increased Amount</b>
923 Stebondale	2	1	\$237.84	\$118.92
**7517 Sunview Circle	0	1	\$0.00	\$118.92

- 9. \*\*Council is asked to approve an Application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, as requested by the Business License Division. This certificate is being awarded to Menghistab B. Tekie doing business as Budget Cab Company at 1208 W. Main Street #12B, Union, South Carolina. - *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Davis, Council voted unanimously to approve an Application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, as requested by the Business License Division. This certificate is being awarded to Menghistab B. Tekie doing business as Budget Cab Company at 1208 W. Main Street #12B, Union, South Carolina.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a single motion made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to approve the **Consent Agenda Items 10** through **26** and **28** through **35**. Consideration of **Item 27** was deferred until September 13, 2011.

### CONSIDERATION OF BIDS, AGREEMENTS and CHANGE ORDERS

10. Council is asked to approve a Professional Services Contract for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program, as requested by the Community Development Department. Award to Upper Savannah Care Consortium in the amount of \$23,972.00. *Funding Source: U.S. Department of HUD, FY2011-2012 HOPWA Entitlement (SCH11F001) - Approved*
11. Council is asked to approve a Professional Services Contract for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program, as requested by the Community Development Department. Award to The Cooperative Ministry (TCM) in the amount of \$206,488.50. *Funding Source: U.S. Department of HUD, FY2011-2012 HOPWA Entitlement (SCH11F001) - Approved*
12. Council is asked to approve a Professional Services Contract for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program, as requested by the Community Development Department. Award to Palmetto AIDS Life Support Services of SC, Inc. in the amount of \$259,785.00. *Funding Source: U.S. Department of HUD, FY2011-2012 HOPWA Entitlement (SCH11F001) - Approved*
13. Council is asked to approve a Professional Services Contract for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program, as requested by the Community Development Department. Award to the University of South Carolina in the amount of \$496,239.00. *Funding Source: U.S. Department of HUD, FY2011-2012 HOPWA Entitlement (SCH11F001) - Approved*
14. Council is asked to approve a Professional Services Contract for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program, as requested by the Community Development Department. Award to The Columbia Housing Authority in the amount of \$504,676.40. *Funding Source: U.S. Department of HUD, FY2011-2012 HOPWA Entitlement (SCH11F001) - Approved*
15. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of One (1) Three Station DI425 without OMR, as requested by the Finance Department. Award to Pitney Bowes, Inc., using the SC State Contract in the amount of \$11,822.43. This vendor is located in West Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Finance: Water Administration and Special Departmental Supplies, 5511409-627100 – **Note:** This is a check folding system to replace the existing system. - Approved*

16. Council is asked to approve Capital Improvement Project #WM718-4/5; 6” Water Main along Howard Street for Oceola Street to Kennedy Street, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to Independent Waterworks, the lowest bidder in the amount of \$13,096.69. This vendor is located in Lexington, SC. *Funding Source: Water Maintenance Fund 5516210-638300 - Approved*
17. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of 525 Tons of SCDOT Class B Riprap for Creek Embankment at 510 Koon Store Road, as requested by the Wastewater Maintenance Division. Award Vulcan Materials Co., the lowest bidder in the amount of \$13,482.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Sewer Maintenance Project/Special Contracts, 5516212-638300 – **Note:** Riprap is rock used to armor shorelines, streambeds, bridge abutments, pilings and other shoreline structures against scour water or ice erosion. - Approved*
18. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of 600 Tons of SCDOT Class B Riprap for Gills Creek Outfall between Kilbourne Road and Fort Jackson Boulevard, as requested by the Wastewater Maintenance Division. Award to Vulcan Material Co., the lowest bidder in the amount of \$15,408.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Sewer Maintenance Project/Special Contracts, 5516212-638300 – **Note:** Riprap is rock used to armor shorelines, streambeds, bridge abutments, pilings and other shoreline structures against scouring water or ice erosion. - Approved*
19. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Ten (10) Historic Markers, as requested by the Planning Department. Award to Sewah Studio, as a Sole Source in the amount of \$18,090.00. This vendor is located in Marietta, OH. *Funding Source: (Parks Grants Control: Special Departmental Supplies, 2559999-627100) & (Historic Marker Grant: Special Departmental Supplies, 40Q22MP050-627100) - Approved*
20. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of One (1) Ford Hybrid Fusion Sedan, as requested by the Lake Murray Water Plant Division. Award to VIC Bailey Ford, Inc., using the SC State Contract in the amount of \$26,682.00. This vendor is located in Spartanburg, SC. *Funding Source: Utilities Lake Murray Water Plant/ Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equip >\$5,000; 5516207-658500 - Approved*
21. Council is asked to Purchase One (1) Ford Escape Hybrid, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to VIC Bailey Ford, Inc., using the SC State Contract in the amount of \$28,031.00. This vendor is located in Spartanburg, SC. *Funding Source: Engineering Administration/Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equip>\$5,000; 5511701-658500 – Approved*

22. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of FRC Drygear Bunker Gear Dryers, as requested by the Fire Department. Award to Laundry System of the Carolinas, the lowest bidder in the amount of \$28,988.44. This vendor is located in Spartanburg, SC. *Funding Source: (Fire: Suppression-Machinery & Equipment-Capital, GL 1012303-658300 \$2,898.84); (County Fire: Administration-Machinery & Equipment-Capital, GL 2082306-658300 \$2,898.84); (Homeland Security/EPA Grants-Machinery & Equipment Capital, GL 2549999-658300 \$23,190.76) - Approved*
23. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Rigid Mount Washer, as requested by the Fire Department. Award to Service Laundry Machinery, the lowest bidder in the amount of \$39,515.10. This vendor is located in Belton, SC. *Funding Source: (Fire: Suppression-Machinery & Equipment-Capital, GL 1012303-658300 \$3,951.51); (County Fire: Administration-Machinery & Equipment Capital, GL 2082306-658300 \$3,951.51); (Homeland Security/EPA Grants-Machinery & Equipment Capital, GL 2549999-658300 \$31,612.08) - Approved*
24. Council is asked to approve the Purchase for Grounds Maintenance at the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant and Lift Stations, as requested by the Wastewater Treatment Plant Division. Award to Landscape Services, the lowest bidder in the amount of \$39,600.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Utilities Metro Wastewater Plant/Special Contracts, 5516208-638300 - Approved*
25. Council is asked to approve a Professional Services Contract for Lobbying Services, as requested by the Office of Governmental Affairs. Award to CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC in the monthly amount of \$5,175.00 plus reimbursable expenses not to exceed \$5,000.00 for a total annual amount of \$67,100.00. This firm is located in Washington, DC. *Funding Source: 1011103-638300 - Approved*
26. Council is asked to approve Capital Improvement Project #SD8360; Agreement to Develop a Drainage Pilot Study for the Shandon Neighborhood, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to Fuss & O'Neill in the amount of \$70,765.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 5534210-SD836001-636600 - Approved*
27. Council is asked to approve the Annual Funding for Fiscal Year 2011/2012, as requested by the Department of Economic Development. Award to Central SC Alliance in the amount of \$72,000.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Economic Development/Professional Services, 5511301-636600 – Consideration of this item was deferred until September 13, 2011.*

28. Council is asked to approve Capital Improvement Project #WM4240 & SS7200; Agreement for Miscellaneous Road Cut Testing Services for Compaction, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to Dennis Corporation in the amount of \$75,000.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Sewer Improvements Fund, 5516212-SS7200-636600 & 5516210-WM4240-636600 - Approved*
29. Council is asked to approve a Professional Services Contract for Grants Professional Services, as requested by the Office of Governmental Affairs. Award to Chris M. Segars doing business as More Than Just Words in an annual amount not to exceed \$85,000.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: 1011103-636600 - Approved*
30. Council is asked to approve the use of CIP funds for Storm Drainage Improvements to Harlem Heights Neighborhood, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to SCDOT in the amount of \$100,000.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. **Note:** *This is Richland County and SCDOT Funding Project - Approved*
31. Council is asked to approve Change Order #1; CM1021, Maxcy Gregg Park Site Improvements, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to AOS Specialty Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$110,839.00. This vendor is located in Lexington, SC. *Funding Source: Parks and Recreation Project Fund, PK007201 – Note: This change order is necessary to compensate the contractor to perform additional work to include work cost for the supply and installation of Rock Check Material and additional fencing. - Approved*
32. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of a Fire Truck, Search & Rescue, as requested by the Fire Department. Award to V.T Hackney, the lowest bidder meeting specifications in the amount of \$185,193.00. This vendor is located in Washington, NC. *Funding Source: Homeland Security Grant Control/Auto Trucks Heavy Equipment-Capital 2009 Midlands Search & Rescue/Auto Trucks Heavy Equipment-Capital, 2549999-658500 9608000109-658200 - Approved*
33. Council is asked to approve the Annual Maintenance Renewal to provide uninterrupted CAD Software coverage through December 2012, as requested by Columbia-Richland 911 Communications. Award to TriTech Software Systems in the amount of \$275,315.73. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: (City Account 1012701-638200 \$137,657.86) and (County Account 2082702-638200 \$137,657.87) - Approved*

34. Council is asked to approve Project #WM419102; Agreement associated with Design and Construction Administrative Services for 4011 West Beltline Boulevard to House the City's Water Distribution and Wastewater Maintenance Division Offices and Supplies, as requested by Utilities and Engineering. Award to Watson, Tate, Savory, Liollo Architects in the amount of \$1,366,633.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. *Funding Source: Water Improvements Fund, 5529999-WM419102-636600 - Approved*

**ORDINANCE – SECOND READING**

35. Ordinance No.: 2011-031 – Establishing the City Center Business Improvement District – *First reading approval was given on August 2, 2011. – Approved on second reading.*

**ORDINANCE – FIRST READING**

36. Ordinance No.: 2011-059 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 14, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article V, Offenses Involving Minors to add Division 3, Juvenile Curfew for the Five Points Adult Hospitality District – *Approved on first reading.*

Upon a motion made by Mr. Newman and seconded by Dr. Gergel, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2011-059 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 14, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article V, Offenses Involving Minors to add Division 3, Juvenile Curfew for the Five Points Adult Hospitality District.

A Public Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Upon a single motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to approve **Items 37 and 38.**

37. Ordinance No.: 2011-062 – Providing for the Issuance and Sale of City of Columbia, South Carolina, Special Obligation Refunding Bonds (Hospitality Fee Pledge), In One or More Series, In the Principal Amount of not Exceeding \$18,000,000, In Order to Refund all or a portion of the Columbia Public Facilities Corporation Certificates of Participation (Hospitality Fee Pledge), Series 2004; Authorizing the Mayor, The City Manager, The Finance Director and the Treasurer, or any two of them acting together to determine certain matters with respect to the bonds; prescribing the form and details of such bonds; and other matters relating thereto – *Approved on first reading.*

38. Ordinance No.: 2011-063 – Authorizing and Providing for the Issuance of Special Obligation Bonds (Hospitality Fee Pledge) of the City of Columbia, South Carolina; Prescribing the form of Bonds; Providing for the Payment of the Bonds from the Sources Provided herein; Creating Certain Funds and Providing for Payments into such funds; Making other Covenants and Agreements in Connection with the foregoing; and other matters relating thereto – *Approved on first reading.*
39. Ordinance No.: 2011-064-A – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 6, Elections, Sec. 6-2, Method of election; election districts, (b) – *This item was withdrawn from the agenda. A Public Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.*
40. Ordinance No.: 2011-064-B – Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 6, Elections, Sec. 6-2, Method of election; election districts, (b) – *This item was withdrawn from the agenda. A Public Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.*

## **RESOLUTIONS**

41. Resolution No.: R-2011-042 – Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement between the City of Columbia and The Midlands Housing Alliance, Inc. for 2025 Main Street – *Approved subject to Item I being reverted back to last year's contract language.*

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2011-042 – Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement between the City of Columbia and The Midlands Housing Alliance, Inc. for 2025 Main Street, subject to Item I being reverted back to last year's contract language.

- 41a. **\*\*Resolution No. R-2011-38 - Approving Assessment Roll for City Center Business Improvement District – *Approved***

Upon a motion made by Ms. Devine and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No. R-2011-38 - Approving Assessment Roll for City Center Business Improvement District.

42. Resolution No.: R-2011-047 – Recognizing that the City of Columbia Welcomes and Respects the Innate Dignity of All People – *This item was withdrawn from the agenda.*

43. Resolution No.: R-2011-048 – Authorizing consumption of beer and wine within Boyd Plaza adjacent to the Columbia Museum of Art for the Contemporaries Oktoberfest – *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2011-048 – Authorizing consumption of beer and wine within Boyd Plaza adjacent to the Columbia Museum of Art for the Contemporaries Oktoberfest.

Upon a single motion made by Ms. Devine and seconded by Mr. Newman, Council voted unanimously to approve **Items 44** and **45**.

44. Resolution No.: R-2011-051 – Authorizing Acceptance and Dedication of Street Known as a Portion of Gayle Pond Trace in Ashewood Subdivision, Phase 3 to the City of Columbia; Richland County TMS #19104-08-03 (Portion); CF #252-18 – *Approved*

45. Resolution No.: R-2011-052 – Authorizing Acceptance and Dedication of Streets Known as Springhaven Drive, Bordeaux Lane, Bouquet Court, Lanesborough Drive, Loupiac Way and Moet Drive, located in Springhaven Subdivision, Phase 2 to the City of Columbia; Richland County TMS #06201-18-01 (Portion); CF #284-13 – *Approved*

46. Resolution No.: R-2011-054 – A Resolution Supporting and Encouraging the Disinvestment of all Funds Managed by, for and on behalf of the City of Columbia and any Ancillary Components of the City of Columbia, in any Company with Active Business Operations in Iran; and for other purposes – *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Mayor Benjamin and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2011-054 – A Resolution Supporting and Encouraging the Disinvestment of all Funds Managed by, for and on behalf of the City of Columbia and any Ancillary Components of the City of Columbia, in any Company with Active Business Operations in Iran; and for other purposes.

- 46a. **\*\*Voice Resolution**

Upon a motion made by Ms. Devine and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to draft and execute a letter regarding infrastructure for a pending economic development project.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

47. Palmetto JoyRide Columbia Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)  
– Ms. Natalie Cappuccio Britt, Executive Director / Palmetto Conservation Foundation

Upon a motion made by Mayor Benjamin and seconded by Dr. Gergel, Council voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Ms. Natalie C. Britt to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, as nominated by Mayor Benjamin. The additional appointment of two (2) individuals per Council Member and the Mayor is being deferred until August 23, 2011.

48. Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Dr. Gergel, Council voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Mr. Brian DeQuincey Newman to the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority as a replacement for Dr. Belinda Gergel.

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilor Newman reported that the Public Safety Committee met earlier today to review the Fire Department's attrition rates. We asked Fire Chief Jenkins to access all Fire Fighters and report back at the next meeting. We were briefed on the Gang Assessment and asked Dr. Abigail Rogers and Police Chief Randy Scott to make sure we are doing all we can to stay on top of gang and youth violence. There was a consensus of the committee to recommend that City Council consider installing security cameras throughout Columbia. The Five Points Association has requested immediate attention to the installation of security cameras in their area. We are asking the City Manager to allocate up to \$100,000 for matching funds for the installation of security cameras in all Hospitality Districts. Also, we directed Chief Scott to coordinate the donation of security cameras for the Hospitality Districts. They are to report back with a priority listing for areas in need of security cameras.

Councilor Devine suggested that staff review and update the existing Security Camera Study and determine the status of the funding that was previously set aside for cameras.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Newman and seconded by Dr. Gergel, Council voted unanimously to direct the City Manager to allocate up to \$100,000 from the Hospitality Tax Surplus Fund as match funding for capital expenses related to the installation of security cameras and to authorize the City Manager to enter into negotiations with the Five Points Association and any other Hospitality District with the understanding that monitoring costs will be born by the Association.

## **APPEARANCE OF PUBLIC HAVING BUSINESS WITH CITY COUNCIL**

Mr. Shawn Charles appeared before the Council to express concerns about the uninviting baseball fields at Greenview Park. He urged the Council to look at funding for the baseball program. He is currently seeking sponsors in hopes of building a program that we can all be proud of, especially our youth.

Mr. Willie Dyckes appeared before the Council in support of developing the minds and bodies of our youth by getting them off the couches and into the parks.

Mr. James Myers appeared before the Council to express concerns about crime in the Greenview Community.

Mr. Arthur Jones appeared before the Council to express concerns about crime in the Greenview Community and across Columbia. All of our young people are not criminals and thugs. Let us create community jobs for the youth. Let me rehab the dilapidated houses and turn them into jewels. He requested a formal response to his letter.

Ms. Bernetha Moultrie appeared before the Council to express concerns about the Greenview Community; I came back just to make a change in the area.

Councilor Davis suggested that Ms. Moultrie join Greenview's Crime and Safety Team.

\*\*Upon a motion made by Mayor Benjamin and seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to lower the flags at City Hall in honor of the late Colonel Charles P. Murray Jr., a Medal of Honor recipient from World War II.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Erika D. Salley  
City Clerk