# MINUTES OF **PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET** LORIS CITY HALL - CONFERENCE ROOM THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025 - 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

MAYOR

MICHAEL E. SUGGS

COUNCIL

ANDREA L. COLEMAN

JOAN S. GAUSE **KELLI D. GERALD TONYA F. SYKES** 

ABSENT:

COUNCIL

LEWIS C. HARDEE, JR.

CARROLL D. PADGETT, JR.

PRESENT:

INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR ANGEL NEIGHBOURS

PRESENT:

ATTORNEY

JOHN C. ZILINSKY

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The public hearing was called to order by Mayor Suggs at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 26, 2025.

### INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Councilwoman Gause.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Suggs.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

The roll was called by Mayor Suggs. Mayor Suggs informed council that Councilman Padgett was absent due to being out of town serving as a delegate to the Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church of South Carolina and Councilman Hardee was absent due to a work obligation.

#### **BUSINESS:**

A. PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NUMBER 05-05—AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR, ENDING JUNE 30, 2026.

Mayor Suggs presented the city budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year by department and covered both expense and revenue items. The General Fund Budget is \$4,397,100.00. The water and sewer budget is \$2,068,300.00 and the Hospitality Budget is \$450,000.00. All budgets are balanced as required by South Carolina State Law. The complete budget presentation is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

# B. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public present at the hearing offered comments regarding the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget.

# C. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gerald and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to adjourn the Public Hearing. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. There being no further business, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:11 P.M.

ATTEST:

ANGEL NEIGHBOURS

INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Michael E. Suggs, MAYOR

ANDREA L. COLEMAN, COUNCIL

JOAN, S. GAUSE, COUNCIL

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