# MINUTES OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING LORIS CITY HALL – CONFERENCE ROOM THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025 - 6:15 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 special city council meeting was called to order by Mayor Suggs at 6:15 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. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 04-25: AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE 1.19 ACRES FROM R-1 (RESIDENTIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL BUSINESS) LOCATED ON THE SOUTHEASTERN SIDE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 701 SOUTH PIN#: 186-08-04-0002, OWNER GARY W. LONES AND CARRIE L. LONES

Mayor Suggs read the Ordinance 04-25 by title only. A motion was made Councilwoman Gause and seconded by Councilwoman Gerald to approve on second reading Ordinance 04-25. Mayor Suggs, Councilwoman Coleman, Councilwoman Gause and Councilwoman Gerald voted favorably. Councilwoman Sykes voted no. Motion passed 4-1.

B. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 05-25: AN ORDINANCE NUMBER 05-05—AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026.

Mayor Suggs read the Ordinance 05-25 by title only. A motion was made Councilwoman Gerald and seconded by Councilwoman Sykes to approve on second reading Ordinance 05-25. Mayor Suggs, and all members present voted favorably. Motion passed.

C. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 06-25: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES: CHAPETER 14 ELECTIONS—SECTION 14-5, C AND D.

Mayor Suggs read the Ordinance 06-25 by title only. A motion was made Councilwoman Gause and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to approve on first reading Ordinance 06-25. Mayor Suggs, and all members present voted favorably. Motion passed.

# D. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public present at the meeting offered comments.

## E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Suggs indicated that an executive session was needed to discuss one personnel matter and receive an update on a contractual matter. A motion was made by Councilwoman Gause and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to enter executive session. Mayor Suggs and all members voted favorably. Motion passed.

Upon returning from executive session, a motion was made by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilwoman Gause to exit executive session and reconvene in open session. Mayor Suggs and all members voted favorably. Motion passed.

Mayor Suggs announced that in executive session council discussed a personnel matter and received an update on a contractual matter and that no action and no vote was taken in executive session.

# F. ADJOURNMENT

ATTEST:

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilwoman Gause and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to adjourn. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. There being no further business, the special council meeting was adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

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