

City of Anderson
Regular Meeting
April 28, 2014

The regular meeting of City Council was held this date in City Hall Council Chambers at 6:00 pm. In attendance were Mayor Roberts, Mayor Pro Tem Stewart, Council Members Buck Roberts, Kirven, Chapman, Thompson, Harbin and John Roberts. Councilman Laughridge was not present. Also in attendance were City Manager, John Moore; Assistant City Manager, Linda McConnell; Finance Director, Peggy Maxwell; City Attorney, Frankie McClain; Police Chief, Jim Stewart; Recreation Director, Bobby Beville; and Neighborhood and Transit Services Director, Willie Day. The invocation was given by Councilman Buck Roberts with respects to the flag Mayor Pro Tem Tony Stewart.

SWEARING-IN CEREMORY

Police Officer Chris Hagood

Patrol Officer Chris Hagood is a graduate of Westside High School and a native of Anderson. Officer Hagood started with the City as Fire Explorer in 2000 and worked at the City Fire Department for seven years. Officer Hagood began his career in law enforcement with the Anderson County Sheriff's Office in 2011 and worked there until 2014. Officer Hagood has been employed with the Anderson Police Department since February of 2014.

Police Officer Chandler Skipper

Patrol Officer Chandler Skipper is a graduate of Anderson Home School and a native of Anderson. Officer Skipper is enrolled at Anderson University where he is pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Psychology. Officer Skipper has been employed with the City since 2013 and graduated from the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy in December of 2013.

Police Chief, Jim Stewart swore-in both Patrol Officers Chris Hagood and Chandler Skipper.

PROCLAMATION
National Police Officers Memorial Week – May 11-17

Proclamation

National Police Week 2014

WHEREAS, the annual observance of **National Police Week** recognizes the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty while protecting our communities and safeguarding our democracy; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Anderson Police Department; and

WHEREAS, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately 16,000 injuries; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, almost 20,000 law enforcement officers in the U.S. have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including 4 members of the Anderson Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, 25 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 105 officers killed in 2013 and 125 officers killed in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored during the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 26th Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 14, 2014; and

WHEREAS, May 15th is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of all fallen officers and their families and U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Anderson designates May 11-17, 2014, as

National Police Week

in the City of Anderson, and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

Signed this 28th day of April, 2014

Terence V. Roberts, Mayor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion by Councilman Buck Roberts seconded by Councilman Chapman carried unanimously (8-0) to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2014 meeting as presented.

REQUEST CONSIDERATION OF A CHANGE ORDER FOR ALTA PLANNING + DESIGN REGARDING THE BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN AND GREENWAY PLAN FOR THE DOWNTOWN AREA

Assistant City Manager, Linda McConnell said on April 14th, Council approved the base contract for Alta Planning + Design (\$45,000) and with selected optional services, up to a maximum price of \$84,000, to complete the planning and design of the Downtown Bicycle, Pedestrian and Greenway Plan.

Recreation Director, Bobby Beville said six optional tasks were offered for the City to consider.

City staff and Alta representatives met to explore more information and detail about the options and how City staff resources could be best utilized with Alta. At the conclusion of the meeting it was suggested that City staff do the on-line survey and seek Alta's expertise with public workshops, photo renderings and conceptual wayfinding signage. The economic and social impact analysis could come at a later time but was very important when applying for federal grants and funding. A link on the City's website could be created and used for the project website.

The request for additional funding includes \$6,000 for the public workshops, \$5,000 for photo renderings and \$6,500 for the wayfinding signage design which totals \$17,500.

Adding these options will provide the opportunity for citizens to engage and have ownership in improving community health and livability. The options also provide the ability to enhance the

visualization of the routes and create the ability to easily navigate to the destination points. With an approximate 4 month project duration, these optional services are best selected to coincide with the start of the project.

Hospitality and Transportation Funds will fund this plan

The staff recommends adding the public workshops, photo renderings and wayfinding signage options cost of \$17,500. The total contract with Alta Planning + Design would be \$62,500.

A motion by Councilman Harbin seconded by Council Member Thompson carried unanimously (8-0) to approve a change order for Alta Planning + Design regarding the Bicycle Pedestrian and Greenway Plan for the Downtown area, adding the public workshops, photo renderings and wayfinding signage options cost of \$17,500. The total contract with Alta Planning + Design would be \$62,500.

REQUEST CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE 14-07 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 127 EAST WHITNER STREET

Mrs. McConnell said the City of Anderson has entered into a contract to sell 127 E. Whitner Street to NAI Furman for the sum of \$175,000.00. It is necessary that an Ordinance be passed to authorize the execution of a deed to convey real estate.

Pursuant to the Procurement Code of the City of Anderson, the City of Anderson publically advertised for requests for proposals to purchase the lot and building located at 127 E. Whitner Street. Based upon the proposals received, the City of Anderson negotiated with NAI Earle Furman. Based upon those negotiations, the parties reached an agreement for the sale of the property to NAI Furman for the sum of \$175,000.00. The contract also provides that the City of Anderson will retain a first right of refusal for a period of 20 years.

This ordinance will benefit the City of Anderson because the property will be returned to the tax books. In addition, the funds received for the purchase of the property may be utilized to enhance economic development in the City.

A motion by Council Member Thompson seconded by Councilman Harbin carried unanimously (8-0) to approve Ordinance 14-07 authorizing the sale of 127 East Whitner Street to NAI Furman for the sum of \$175,000 on the First Reading.

ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFING

UPCOMING EVENTS

The City Manager, John Moore reminded Council of the following upcoming events and all meetings in May 2014.

May 2nd – Westside Community Center Gala
May 6th – Upstate Diversity Leadership Awards Dinner
May 8th – EC3 Meeting
May 20th – 22nd – Budget Meetings

EXECUTIVE SESSION

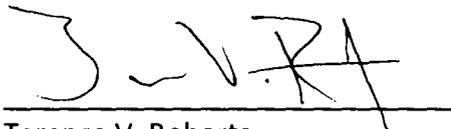
A motion by Councilman Harbin seconded by Councilman Buck Roberts carried unanimously (8-0) to move into Executive Session to discuss Contractual Matter – Anderson County/Transit and to discuss Legal Advice – Possible Litigation.

A motion by Councilman Buck Roberts seconded by Councilman Chapman carried unanimously (8-0) to move out of Executive Session.

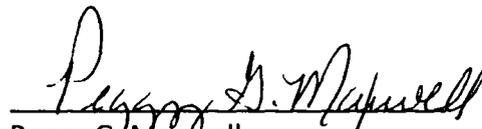
ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Council Member Thompson seconded by Councilman Harbin carried unanimously (8-0) to adjourn.

ATTEST:



Terence V. Roberts
Mayor



Peggy G. Maxwell
City Clerk Treasurer