

**Minutes of the  
Simpsonville City Council  
Business Meeting  
January 10, 2017  
6:30 p.m.  
City Council Chambers – 118 N.E. Main Street**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Curtis

**COUNCIL PRESENT** – Councilmember Gooch, Councilmember Graham, Councilmember Hulehan, Councilmember Braswell, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Lockaby, Mayor Curtis

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Cummings to approve minutes from December 13, 2016 Business Meeting. Motion carried, Yes = 6, No = 1. Councilmember Graham voting No.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

- Karlee Smith – 214 Fredericksburg Drive – Leaves and Brush

**BUSINESS**

**a. *Matters Referred by the Planning Commission***

1. Motion by Councilmember Braswell with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Lockaby to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Z-2016-02, Rezone Portion of Tax Map #0574.02-01-011.00 (401 Neely Ferry Road). Motion carried unanimously.
2. Motion by Councilmember Lockaby with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Gooch to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of AXZ-2016-07, Annexation Rezoning of Tracts of Land on Harrison Bridge Road. Tax Map #0566.02-01-010.01, #0566.02-01-010.02 and part of #0566.02-01-010.07. Motion carried. Yes = 6, No = 1. Councilmember Lockaby voting No.
3. Motion by Councilmember Cummings with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Braswell to approve Site Plan, SP-2017-01, Bessinger Innovative Development, Major Change. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. *Other Business***

1. Motion by Councilmember Graham with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Lockaby to appoint Mr. David Holmes, City Attorney to sign official documentation for the City.  
Amended motion by Councilmember Lockaby with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Gooch to delete David Holmes, City Attorney from the motion and add Phyllis Long, City Clerk. Motion as amended carried unanimously.  
Vote of main motion as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- Motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Lockaby to go into executive session for the discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee in the Administration Department. David Holmes, City Attorney was recused of attendance and Phyllis Long, Human Resources Director asked to attend. Motion carried unanimously. Upon returning to open session, Council may take action on matters discussed in executive session.

At 7:41pm council entered into a brief recess during executive session.

Point or Order by Councilmember Braswell. Mayor Curtis announced downstairs that council was taking a recess. Councilmember Braswell stated the council had violated executive session and invited a person not on the list into executive session.

Mayor Curtis ruled that the point of order was not well received.

Challenge the Chair on the ruling by Councilmember Braswell, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Lockaby. Motion failed. Yes = 1, No = 6. Councilmember Braswell voting Yes.

Motion by Councilmember Lockaby with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Cummings to come out of executive session.

No votes taken no motions made during executive session.

Motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Hulehan to authorize Phyllis Long, Human Resources Director to extend an offer of employment to Mr. Eddie Case and authorize our attorney to negotiate an agreement for his engagement.

Amended motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Graham to authorize the Human Resources Director to extend an employment offer of City Administrator to Mr. Eddie Case. Amended motion carried. Yes = 6, No = 1. Councilmember Braswell voting No.

Vote on main motion as amended. Motion carried. Yes = 6, No = 1. Councilmember Braswell voting No.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

- Motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Lockaby to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.