Minutes of the Simpsonville City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting February 25, 2025 6:00PM Council Chambers – City Hall

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Shewmaker

CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Paul Shewmaker

Ward 1 Chad O'Rear

Ward 2 Aaron Rupe

Ward 3 Shannon Williams

Ward 4 Sherry Roche

Ward 5 Tim Pinkerton

Ward 6 Lou Hutchings

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The minutes for January 28, 2025 were approved as written.

CITIZEN COMMENTS- Mike Wyatt, 106 Sylvan Oak Way; Josef and Anotine Nunne, 125 Sylvan Oak Way; concerning W. Georgia Road traffic.

BUSINESS

A. Council Access to Communication

This item was postponed from the January 28, 2025, City Council Committee of the Whole meeting. The original motion was made by Councilmember O'Rear to pass council access to communications so that all non-mayoral council members are to have equal access to that of the mayor, and all avenues of communication with the citizens of Simpsonville to include but not limited to the city website, print media, and electronic media. This ability shall not be limited by decision of anybody other than the elected members of council. The motion received a second by Councilmember Pinkerton.

Subsidiary motion by Councilmember O'Rear to postpone this item indefinitely. Second by Councilmember Roche. Y-3 N-0. Motion failed. Councilmembers Williams, Pinkerton, Hutchings, and Mayor Shewmaker voting no.

Subsidiary motion by Councilmember Hutchings to include the mayor's statement and email into the minutes. Second by Councilmember Rupe. Y-7 N-0. Motion carried.

Vote on the main motion, Y-1 N-6. Motion failed. Councilmembers Rupe, Williams, Roche, Pinkerton, Hutchings, and Mayor Shewmaker voting no.

B. Amend Ordinance O-2018-07

Motion by Councilmember Pinkerton with a 2nd by Councilmember O'Rear to move amended ordinance O-2018-07 to the next business meeting. Y-7 N-0. Motion Carried.

C. Appointment of Ministerial Recorder for Municipal Court

Motion by Councilmember Hutchings with a 2nd by Councilmember Williams to move the appointment of Ministerial Recorder for Municipal Court to the next business meeting. Y-7 N-0. Motion Carried.

D. Resolution for GCRA Annual CDBG & Home Allocation

Motion by Councilmember Roche with a 2nd by Councilmember Rupe to move resolution for GCRA Annual CDBG & Home Allocation to the next business meeting. Y-7 N-0. Motion Carried.

Executive Session

Motion by Councilmember O'Rear with a 2nd by Councilmember Roche to enter into Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter related to the sale of City owned property. Y-7 N-0. Motion Carried.

Upon returning from Executive Session, the following votes were taken.

Motion by Mayor Shewmaker with a 2nd by Councilmember Williams to move contractual matter related to the sale of City owned property to the next business meeting. Y-7 N-0. Motion carried.

ADJOURN 8:47PM