CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE: CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

— MINUTES —

Council Chambers, Simpsonville City Hall | October 13, 2026 | 6 p.m.

---

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Paul Shewmaker called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Justin Campbell called the roll:

Councilmember	Present	Absent
Ward 1 – Chad O'Rear	✓	
Ward 2 – Aaron Rupe	✓	
Ward 3 – Shannon Williams	✓	
Ward 4 – Sherry Roche	✓	
Ward 5 – Tim Pinkerton	✓	
Ward 6 – Jerry Tuso	✓	
Mayor Paul Shewmaker	✓	

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Shewmaker led Council Chambers in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the Business Meeting on September 8, 2026 were approved as submitted.

5. PROCLAMATION

A. Proclamation: National Youth Substance Use Prevention Month – RIZE Prevention
Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

Mayor Shewmaker read the proclamation into the record.

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Shavonda Brown gave comments expressing concerns about elder abuse, fraud involving public healthcare benefits, and human trafficking. Ms. Brown also expressed concerns about safety.

7. BUSINESS

A. Second Reading of Ordinance O-2026-11, a proposed ordinance to amend Section 2-69(b) in the Simpsonville, S.C. Code of Ordinances
Tim Pinkerton, Councilmember

Motion by Councilmember Pinkerton with a second by Councilmember O'Rear to approve second reading of Ordinance O-2026-11. Yes – 7. No – 0. Motion carried.

B. First Reading of Ordinance O-2026-12, a proposed ordinance to amend the effective date of Ordinance O-2026-10
Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

- Motion by Mayor Shewmaker with a second by Councilmember Roche to approve first reading of Ordinance O-2026-12.
- Motion by Mayor Shewmaker with a second by Councilmember Roche to amend the main motion by amending Ordinance O-2026-10 by deleting Section 2. Existing Names and Prospective Application, in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

  "Nothing in this Ordinance, standing alone, changes, invalidates, or requires the removal of any name, formally approved before the effective date of this Ordinance."

- Roll call vote on amendment: Yes – 4. No – 3. Dissenting – Councilmembers O'Rear, Rupe, and Tuso. Amendment carried.
- Roll call vote on main motion as amended: Yes – 4. No – 3. Main motion as amended carried. Ordinance O-2026-12 will proceed to the November 10, 2026 Business Meeting for second and final reading.

C. Resolution R-2026-16, a proposed resolution to restore the historic name of "Simpsonville City Park"
Chad O'Rear, Councilmember

Motion by Councilmember O'Rear with a second by Councilmember Rupe to approve Resolution R-2026-16. Yes – 4. No – 3. Dissenting – Mayor Shewmaker and Councilmembers Roche and Williams. Motion carried.

D. Hudders Creek Way, to place a speed hump between Norvin Court and Nakkol Drive and set the speed limit at 20 mph
Jerry Tuso, Councilmember

- Motion by Councilmember Tuso with a second by Councilmember O'Rear to place a speed hump on Hudders Creek Way between Norvin Court and Nakkol Drive and set the speed limit at 20 miles per hour.
- Motion by Councilmember Tuso with a second by Councilmember Pinkerton to amend the main motion by removing the speed hump, thereby leaving only the proposed speed limit of 20 miles per hour in the main motion. Yes – 7. No – 0. Amendment carried.
- Main motion as amended, to set the speed limit on Hudders Creek Way at 20 miles per hour: Yes – 7. No – 0. Main motion as amended carried.

Mayor Shewmaker's Points of Personal Privilege

Following item 7.D., Mayor Shewmaker congratulated those involved in the successful National Night Out event and expressed appreciation to Daniel Hughes for his service as City Attorney.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Shewmaker adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

Approved as submitted by Simpsonville City Council on 2026-11-10

Justin Campbell Justin Campbell, City Clerk | 2026-11-12