

**REGULAR MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024 – 1:00 P.M.
CITY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
324 WEST EVANS STREET
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Lethonia Barnes, Mayor Pro Tempore George Jebaily, Councilman Chaquez T. McCall, Councilman Bryan A. Braddock, Councilwoman LaShonda NeSmith-Jackson and Councilman J. Lawrence Smith, II

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Scotty Davis, City Manager; Mr. Ronald Scott, City Attorney; Mrs. Casey Moore, Municipal Clerk; Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development; Chief Allen Heidler, Florence Police Department; Chief Shannon Tanner, Florence Fire Department; Mr. Michael Hemingway, Director of Utility Planning and Economic Development; Mr. Jerry Dudley, Director of Planning; Mr. Adam Swindler, Director of Public Works; Mrs. Amanda Pope, Director of Marketing/Communications and Municipal Services; Mr. Joshua Whittington, Director of Utilities; Mrs. Victoria Nash, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Sports Tourism; Mr. Tim Wilson, Assistant Director of Parks, Recreation, and Sports Tourism; Mr. Glenn Bodenheimer, Interim Finance Director and Ms. Patrice Rankin, Administrative Coordinator

MEDIA PRESENT

Mr. Seth Taylor with the Post and Courier, Mr. Logan Schiciano with WMBF News, and Ms. Taylor Ford with the Morning News were present for the meeting.

Notices of this regular meeting of City Council were provided to the media and individuals requesting a copy of the agenda informing them of the date, location, and time of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

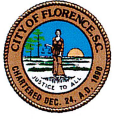
Mayor Barnes called the December 9, 2024 Regular meeting of Florence City Council to order at 1:01pm.

INVOCATION

Pastor Ann Kovan gave the invocation for the meeting. The pledge of allegiance to the American Flag followed the invocation and was led by United States Attorney Matt Ellis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to adopt the minutes of the November 12, 2024 Swearing-in Ceremony and the November 18, 2024 Regular Meeting and Councilman McCall seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously (6-0) adopted.



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SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mrs. Victoria Nash, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Sports Tourism, recognized Mr. Rob Hill, Director of Tennis, as the USTA Tennis Professional of the Year.

Mayor Barnes also acknowledged that the Parks, Recreation, and Sports Tourism Department received the USTA Southern Outstanding Parks and Recreation Department Award in January 2024.

APPEARANCES BEFORE COUNCIL

Bryan and Jody Ransom

Bryan and Jody Ransom appeared before Council to speak on the second annual One Table Florence. This year's event featured collaboration and partnerships with various individuals, churches and organizations throughout the community. The success of this event has caused other cities to reach out to the Ransoms to see how to replicate the event in their communities.

Pro tem Jebaily thanked the Ransoms for bringing One Table Florence to the community. He asked if a video of the event was available that could be shared and promoted on the city's social media accounts. Mr. Ransom said the video is currently being edited but there are other videos available on their Facebook page that could be used to show the success of the event.

Councilman Braddock also thanked the Ransoms for their work with One Table Florence. He asked if there was anything in particular that would ensure success for the event next year. Mr. Ransom said there is great support from the community when it comes to materials for the event. They are in need of budgetary support due to some out-of-pocket expenses. Councilman Braddock asked for the financial estimate for the event. Mr. Ransom said he created a budget overview that he could share with Council.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson commended the Ransoms for the success of One Table Florence. She asked them to share how the event has grown from last year to this year. Mrs. Ransom said last year they prepared 850 meals, with 100 meals being provided for first responders. This year, there were approximately 1000 meals prepared, with 50 meals being provided for first responders.

Mayor Barnes also thanked the Ransoms for hosting One Table Florence and commended them for the success and growth of this event.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION

Bill No. 2024-20 – Second Reading

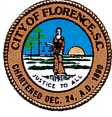
An Ordinance to amend the budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.

Councilman McCall made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-20 on second reading and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-20 was adopted.

Bill No. 2024-21 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to amend the due dates in Section 20 of the City of Florence Code of Ordinances to align with the city's Business License renewal dates.



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Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-21 on second reading and Councilman Smith seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-21 was adopted.

Bill No. 2024-22 - Second Reading

An Ordinance to amend Article I Chapter 3 of the City of Florence Code of Ordinances to add provisions related to prohibiting ownership or keeping of livestock and wild animals and other matters related thereto.

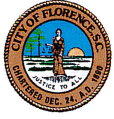
Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-22 on second reading and Councilman Smith seconded the motion.

Ms. Charlotte Ward appeared before Council to speak in opposition of Bill No. 2024-22. Ms. Ward said she lives in Florence County and has been a responsible monkey owner for many years. She said due to the actions of an irresponsible snake owner, this bill has been proposed to prohibit monkeys and other non-dangerous animals in the city limits. She said the city's current animal ordinance mentions state law prohibiting apes, large cats and bears. To the best of her knowledge, she is one of three monkey owners in the area and several owners have previously resided within the city limits. Ms. Ward raised the question if monkeys were to be prohibited, should all dogs be prohibited, regardless of breed, due to the fatal dog attack that occurred this past summer. She recommended instead to amend the existing ordinance by adding that the judge of the Municipal Court should order anyone who violates the ordinance to be prohibited from having any such animal. She also recommended adding a "grandfather clause" to the ordinance for current exotic animal owners and adding exemptions for 501c3 animal rescues and United States Department of Agriculture facilities. She also recommended removing monkeys and other exotic animals from the list of prohibited animals in the ordinance and adding a registration process for owners to register their exotic animals.

Ms. Nikki Zickafoose appeared before Council to speak in opposition of Bill No. 2024-22. Ms. Zickafoose said she is a native of Florence County and has owned many exotic animals that are on the proposed ban list. Although she is not a city resident, there are times where she must travel through the city with her animals for veterinary care. She also mentioned that there is a possibility that her property may be annexed into the city in the future. Ms. Zickafoose said this ordinance is not necessary and there are already laws in place that can be used in life threatening situations. She said bans rarely are effective and if this ordinance moves forward, dogs should be added to the prohibited list as well, due to fatal dog attacks that have occurred in the City of Florence.

Phillip Goss, President of the United States Association of Reptile Keepers, appeared before Council to speak in opposition of Bill No. 2024-22. He said the incident involving the snake owner does not represent all snake and reptile owners. He spoke in agreeance with Ms. Ward and Ms. Zickafoose and said collective punishment should not occur because of the actions of one person. Mr. Goss said the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources can ban invasive species and have banned a reptile species a few years ago. He also spoke in agreeance with Ms. Ward regarding a "grandfather clause" and registration process. Mr. Goss said the ordinance could also require owners to have escape proof enclosures for exotic animals.

Pro tem Jebaily thanked Ms. Ward, Ms. Zickafoose and Mr. Goss for speaking on this matter. He said other communities have had similar legislation in place regarding prohibition of exotic animals, so this is not a new issue. Pro tem Jebaily asked Mr. Scotty Davis, City Manager, if it would be advisable to defer



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second reading of Bill No. 2024-22 to the next meeting so that city staff and the City Attorney could do more research and receive input from exotic animal owners in the community.

Mr. Davis said it is at Council's discretion to defer this bill. Some exceptions of animals are included in the city's Unified Development Ordinance. He asked Mr. Clint Moore, City Manager, to provide the exceptions listed in the Unified Development Ordinance.

Mr. Moore said the Unified Development Ordinance has a few exceptions of animals that are allowed outside of household pets and limits the number of dogs, chickens, et cetera that you can have within a residential area. The Unified Development Ordinance also outlines livestock uses but does not include any language in regard to reptiles or snakes.

Pro tem Jebaily asked Mr. Ron Scott, City Attorney, if there was an opportunity to take another look at this matter if it was deferred to next month's meeting. Mr. Scott said this matter has been discussed with city staff and other communities have been researched as well. It is Council's discretion to defer this ordinance if they would like for the city attorney and city staff to address any questions and concerns.

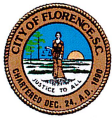
Councilman McCall asked for clarity on the "grandfather clause," and if the owner or the animal itself would be considered in the "grandfather clause." Mr. Davis said it is not staff's recommendation to do a "grandfather clause" as it will complicate matters and not address the issue that was brought before city staff. A "grandfather clause" would allow for the venomous snakes to remain in the city limits. City staff was asked to propose an ordinance that would prevent future incidents, like the venomous snake incident, from occurring.

Councilman Braddock asked Ms. Ward for clarity on the United States Department of Agriculture facilities reference. Ms. Ward said it is in regard to exotic animal owners who participate in educational programs and are licensed through the United States Department of Agriculture. Councilman Braddock asked if the local pet stores sell any of the exotic animals on the list. Ms. Ward said the only two pet stores currently in Florence are PetCo and PetSmart. Pet Lovers is no longer in business, but they did sell a few animals that would fall under the prohibited animals list.

Councilman Braddock asked if there was a specific reason why primates were added to the prohibited list in the ordinance. Mr. Davis said city staff looked at excerpts from Columbia, Spartanburg, Mount Pleasant, other states, and court cases when creating this ordinance. Various excerpts were pulled from resources and exclusions were made as allowed in the Unified Development Ordinance.

Councilman Smith asked if first responder response times would be affected when unknown exotic animals are present during a medical emergency. Mr. Allen Heidler, Police Chief, and Mr. Shannon Tanner, Fire Chief approached the podium to address the question. Chief Heidler said it would certainly affect response time and spoke of the impact on response time with the previous venomous snake incident. Chief Tanner said it would depend on the type of emergency and the nature of the call. If it is a snake bite, the snake would need to be quarantined away from the individual before first responders could make entry.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked if any municipalities have experienced backlash, such as lawsuits, when passing a dangerous animal ordinance. Mr. Davis said there are a number of lawsuits that ruled in favor of the municipality that passed the ordinance. Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson said seeing that city staff does not recommend the "grandfather clause" and has already looked at legislation with other municipalities, she does not see the purpose for deferring Bill No. 2024-22. Pro tem Jebaily said by



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deferring this matter, there is a chance for clarification on how the exotic animals are classified and to address the concerns that were presented today.

Councilman Braddock asked if Council could make a motion to amend if the motion to defer fails. Mr. Ron Scott, City Attorney, said if the motion to defer is properly seconded and fails due to lack of majority vote, a second motion could be made to amend the ordinance that is on the table for consideration. Councilman Braddock asked Mr. Scott if there is a need to make a motion to amend prior to the deferral motion. Mr. Scott said in reference to the motion, it is up to Council which order they would like to proceed with.

Mayor Barnes thanked Ms. Ward, Ms. Zickafoose, and Mr. Goss for sharing their concerns. She spoke in favor of deferring the ordinance but said Council has to do something to ensure dangerous animal incidents do not continue to occur.

Mayor Barnes and Pro tem Jebaily encouraged Ms. Ward, Ms. Zickafoose and Mr. Goss to communicate with Mr. Scotty Davis, City Manager, to address any additional concerns.

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to defer Bill No. 2024-22 until the next meeting and Councilman Smith seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) to defer Bill No. 2024-22 until the next meeting. Bill No. 2024-22 was deferred.

Bill No. 2024-23 - Second Reading

An Ordinance to annex and zone NC-15 2499 West Edgefield Road, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 01221-01 -140.

Councilman McCall made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-23 on second reading and Councilman Smith seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-23 was adopted.

Bill No. 2024-24 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to repeal Division 4 of Article 3, Chapter 2 of the City of Florence Code of Ordinances entitled “Aesthetics Advisory Committee.”

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-24 on second reading and Councilman Braddock seconded the motion.

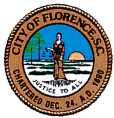
Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-24 was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Bill No. 2024-25 - First Reading

An Ordinance to annex and zone RG-3 the property located at 2501 Alligator Road, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 00125-01-004.

Councilman Smith made a motion to pass Bill No. 2024-25 on first reading and Councilman McCall seconded the motion.



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Mr. Jerry Dudley, Planning Director, said this is a 101-acre parcel located off of Alligator Road. The proposed zoning is Residential General-3 and the property is intended to be developed as a single-family residential subdivision with approximately 330 lots. Planning Commission voted unanimously (5-0) to recommend the zoning request.

Pro tem Jebaily asked if the adjacent properties are zoned Residential General-3 as well. Mr. Dudley said some of the properties are zoned Neighborhood Conservation because they were established prior to the city's Unified Development Ordinance. The predominant zoning in the area is Residential General-3.

Councilman McCall asked if city water and sewer is available to the property. Mr. Dudley said city water is available to the property; however, sewer is currently not available and the developer will be responsible for extending the sewer line. Councilman McCall asked if the developer is aware that he will be responsible for extending the sewer line and Mr. Dudley responded yes.

Councilman Smith asked if only single-family residential homes are allowed in Residential General-3. Mr. Dudley said Residential General-3 zoning allows some higher density development as well, but a large area of land would have to be set aside to accomplish this. The proposed sketch plan only proposes single-family detached housing.

Councilman Braddock asked for clarification on if this proposal has gone before Planning Commission. Mr. Dudley said the proposal has gone before Planning Commission for the zoning recommendation and the sketch plan is scheduled to be reviewed at Planning Commission's January meeting.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-25 was passed on first reading.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2024-43

A Resolution encouraging staff to implement the 5-point crime plan.

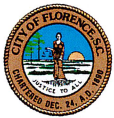
Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to pass Resolution No. 2024-43 and Councilman McCall seconded the motion.

Mayor Barnes said crime has been a challenge for the community and hinders progress in the city. Addressing crime is not just about enforcement but about prevention, intervention and collective action. She said implementing this plan will assist staff in the first step to reducing crime.

Mayor Barnes made a motion to amend the Resolution with the following two amendments: replacing "Community Action Team (CAT) with Community Policing Team in the first point of the crime plan and replacing the "gun buy-back program initiative" with "utilizing advanced technology to assist in crime prevention" for the third point of the crime plan. Councilman McCall seconded the motion to amend.

Pro tem Jebaily asked for clarification on the amendments to the Resolution. Mayor Barnes reviewed the amendments.

Mayor Barnes asked Mr. Allen Heidler, Police Chief, to address ways that the Police Department could benefit from additional technology resources and how they are currently utilizing technology. Chief Heidler said there are several "tech savvy" officers in the department that seek ways to utilize technology. Currently, the Police Department is utilizing a FLOCK camera system throughout the city and Chief Heidler provided statistics showing the success of the system. Mayor Barnes asked how technology could



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be utilized to assist with the safety of law enforcement officers. Chief Heidler said utilizing drones has been beneficial to the safety of the officers.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked Chief Heidler if additional FLOCK cameras will be installed. Chief Heidler said the cameras are very expensive, and the department is working with legislative delegation to obtain funding for the cameras. Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked if the Police Department is utilizing other technology resources, in addition to FLOCK cameras and drones. Chief Heidler said the department's other technology resources include body cameras, police vehicles equipped with cameras, and an updated records management system.

Councilman McCall spoke in favor of the resolution. While he supports the resolution, he does not want the crime plan to cause strain on the relationship between law enforcement and the community. He said he's spoken with the Mayor, City Manager, and Police Chief and they have assured him that they will work diligently to address any potential concerns and issues. While he's in support of the crime plan, if the strain between law enforcement and the community becomes too great, he will be opposed to the plan. He said we can build a safer city without sacrificing the trust or unity in the community. This resolution has the potential to make a real difference in addressing crime and improving the safety of the community.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked Councilman McCall if his concerns are in reference to the Community Policing Team. Councilman McCall said he grew up in a community where there was an emphasis on crime. He said he wants to make sure we are conscious when implementing this plan, so that the relationship between law enforcement and the community is not affected. He commended law enforcement for all their work and efforts in the community and said he wants to continue doing the work the right way. He also thanked Mayor Barnes for addressing crime and making it a priority for the city. Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked Councilman McCall if he will be working on the crime plan to make sure his concerns are being addressed. Councilman McCall responded yes and said as long as there continues to be dialogue between the community and law enforcement, this plan should not cause any issues.

Mayor Barnes said this is a working document and is not set in stone. If something is not effective, then it will not be done. Work will continue to be done to make sure the City of Florence is safe.

Mayor Barnes acknowledged Mrs. Allison Carraway, widow of Sergeant Terrence Carraway. Mayor Barnes said renaming Camp F.E.V.E.R. to Camp Carraway is appropriate for his service and dedication to the community. Mrs. Carraway thanked Council for reintroducing Camp F.E.V.E.R. and spoke of Sergeant Carraway's love for the youth in the community.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion to amend Resolution No. 2024-43.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) to pass Resolution No. 2024-43, as amended. Resolution No. 2024-43 was passed, as amended.

Resolution No. 2024-44

A Resolution to amend a Conditional Grant and Development Agreement for a property located in an overlay district.

Mayor Barnes said this item may be discussed in Executive Session. Without objection, this item will be discussed in Executive Session.



REPORT TO COUNCIL

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Mayor Barnes said this item may be discussed in Executive Session. Without objection, this item will be discussed in Executive Session.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Scotty Davis, City Manager, said the Public Engagement Workshop for the Downtown Design Guidelines will be held on Wednesday, December 11th at 5:30pm in Council Chambers. City staff is soliciting public input for the update of downtown design guidelines for the overlay district. A draft will be provided of the updated downtown design guidelines. City staff will be traveling to the Town of Spruce Pine, North Carolina on December 10th to deliver gifts and supplies to employees in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene. The City of Florence adopted the Town of Spruce Pine as a Sister City at the November 18th council meeting. Mr. Davis thanked Pro tem Jebaily for supplying local chocolates and city employees for their support and efforts. The Florence Fire Department will be receiving two engines and one ladder truck. Mr. Davis acknowledged that Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson has been appointed to serve as the Regional Director for South Carolina for the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials.

MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Barnes spoke of the success of the City-County Christmas Tree Lighting on December 6th. She thanked city staff for all their efforts with coordinating this event.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Business Development Committee, Chaired by Pro tem Jebaily

Pro tem Jebaily said the committee received an update on the water treatment plant expansion project. The committee discussed the capabilities of the city's chatbot "Cy" and also received updates on stormwater projects, road improvement projects and various other city projects.

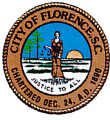
Pro tem Jebaily asked Mr. Scotty Davis, City Manager, if the appointments of committee members should take place now. Mr. Davis said it would be best to finish the committee reports and then appoint committee members. Mr. Davis acknowledged that Mayor Barnes has additional committee appointments to include the City-County Conference Committee and the FLATS Committee.

Community Development Committee, Chaired by Councilwoman Barnes

Mayor Barnes said the committee did not meet last month and will not meet this month due to the holiday season. Committee meetings will resume in January.

Finance, Audit and Budget Committee, Chaired by Councilman McCall

Councilman McCall said the committee had a full agenda but was only able to address one agenda item, which was addressed in Executive Session.



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Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked Council to reconsider the dissolving of the Marketing and Public Relations Committee. She said the committee bridges the gap of communication, trust and transparency between the city and the community and thinks it is in the best interest to keep this committee. Mayor Barnes said this item is not on the agenda and, therefore, cannot be discussed.

Appointments to Council Committees

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to appoint Mayor Barnes and Councilman Braddock to the Business Development Committee and Mayor Barnes seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. The motion was passed.

Mayor Barnes made a motion to appoint Councilman McCall and Councilman Smith to the Community Development Committee and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. The motion was passed.

Councilman McCall made a motion to appoint Councilman Braddock and Councilman Smith to the Finance, Audit and Budget Committee and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. The motion was passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Barnes said Council will be entering into Executive Session for a discussion of matters related to an Economic Development Project, a discussion regarding appointments to Boards and Commissions, and for a personnel matter.

Councilman Smith made a motion to enter into Executive Session and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion. Council voted unanimously (6-0) to enter into Executive Session at 2:34pm.

Council resumed open session at 3:07pm and took action on the following items:

Resolution No. 2024-44

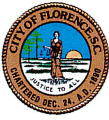
A Resolution to amend a Conditional Grant and Development Agreement for a property located in an overlay district.

Councilman McCall made a motion to pass Resolution No. 2024-44 and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (6-0) in favor of the motion. Resolution No. 2024-44 was passed.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Mr. Davis presented the packet of appointments to Boards and Commissions to Council.



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Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to appoint Valarie Paul to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee and the motion carried unanimously. Valarie Paul was appointed to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee for a term to begin immediately and expire on June 30, 2027.

Councilman Smith deferred his nomination to the Board.

Planning Commission

The two nominations to the Board were deferred.

Civic Center Commission

Mayor Barnes made a motion to appoint Victor Webster to the Civic Center Committee and the motion carried unanimously. Victor Webster was appointed to the Civic Center Committee for a term to begin immediately and expire on June 30, 2028.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson deferred her nomination to the Board.

Councilman Smith made a motion to appoint Clara Brockington to the Civic Center Committee and the motion carried unanimously. Clara Brockington was appointed to the Civic Center Committee for a term to begin immediately and expire on June 30, 2028.

Design Review Board

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to reappoint David Lowe to the Design Review Board and the motion carried unanimously. David Lowe was reappointed to the Design Review Board for a term to begin immediately and expire on June 30, 2028.

Councilman McCall deferred his nomination to the Board.

Construction & Maintenance Board of Adjustments and Appeals

Mayor Barnes deferred all nominations to the Board.

Parks and Beautification Commission

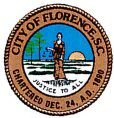
Councilman Smith deferred both of his nominations to the Board.

Veterans Park Committee

Councilman McCall made a motion to appoint Jarvis Eaddy to the Veterans Park Committee and the motion carried unanimously. Jarvis Eaddy was reappointed to the Veterans Park Committee for a term to begin immediately and expire on June 30, 2029.

Mayor Barnes deferred her nomination to the Board.

Council agreed unanimously (6-0) to defer an appointment to Barry Wingard's expired seat.



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Resilience & Sustainability Advisory Committee

The two nominations to the Board were deferred.

Public Safety Citizen's Review Board

Councilman McCall made a motion to reappoint Riley Propps to the Public Safety Citizen's Review Board and the motion carried unanimously. Riley Propps was reappointed to the Public Safety Citizen's Review Board for a term to begin immediately and expire on June 30, 2028.

Mayor Barnes made a motion to reappoint David Jones, Jr. to the Public Safety Citizen's Review Board and the motion carried unanimously. David Jones, Jr. was reappointed to the Public Safety Citizen's Review Board for a term to begin immediately and expire on June 30, 2028.

City/County Conference Committee

Mayor Barnes appointed Councilman Braddock, Councilman Smith, and herself to serve on the City-County Conference Committee.

Florence Area Transportation Study (FLATS) Committee

Mayor Barnes appointed Pro tem Jebaily to serve on the FLATS Committee.

Civic Center Commission

Mayor Barnes appointed herself to serve on the Civic Center Commission.

ADJOURN

Without objection, the December 9, 2024 Regular meeting of City Council was adjourned at 3:18pm.

Dated this 13th day of January 2025.

Casey C. Moore, Municipal Clerk

Lethonia Barnes, Mayor