

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018  
5:00 P.M.**

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{Summary minutes of City Council meeting. Audio tapes of the meeting are on file and are included by reference as part of this meeting. An agenda of this meeting has been either mailed or made available to persons, organizations and local news media as per their request. The agenda gives the date, time and place of the meeting as well as the order of business. This disclosure is in compliance with the South Carolina Code of Laws of 1976, Section 30-4-80 (e).}

A special council meeting was held on July 25, 2018 at 5:00 P.M. at the City Municipal building with the following present:

**COUNCIL:** Mayor Harold Thompson, Mayor Pro Tem Robert Garner, Councilmembers Tommy Anthony, Vicki Morgan, Ricky Todd Harris, Pamela Sloss and Sonja Craig.

**CITY ATTORNEY:** None

**DEPARTMENTAL STAFF:** Gloria Rogers – Municipal Clerk/Personnel Director and Joe Nichols – Utility Director

**NEWS MEDIA:** Mike Stevens – WBCU Radio and Graham Williams – Union County News

**OTHERS:** Bruce Morgan

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order. He gave the invocation. The pledge of allegiance was given by all present. The roll was called by Municipal Clerk Gloria Rogers.

2. **BUSINESS**

A. **ORDINANCE – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM UNIVERSITY COMMONS AT LAKESIDE DRIVE APARTMENTS**

Mayor Thompson states that council passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the ordinance at its July 25, 2018 meeting. Property owner, OVA Properties, LLC request that City Council consider granting approval for Economic Development Incentives for University Commons Apartments on Seigler Road. The estimated private investment is \$374,892 and the eligible incentive is \$7,568.44 based on fees paid to date. Additionally, when the apartments are leased a second business license will be required and will be eligible for a 50% rebate on an annual basis for up to five years. Mayor Thompson asked for a motion to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the ordinance for the Economic Development Incentive for University Common Apartments.

**MOTION** by Councilmember Anthony to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of an ordinance for Economic Development Incentives for University Commons Apartments.

**SECOND** by Councilmember Morgan.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. **DISCUSSION/MOTION – APPROVAL OF CONTRACT ANALYSIS SUPPORT LETTER TO NAVIGANT CONSULTING, INC.**

Utility Director Joe Nichols states that PMPA is a joint action agency of (10) electric utilities located in the northwest section of South Carolina. The agency provides electric service to its members through a 25% ownership of Unit 2 of the Catawba

Nuclear Station. PMPA members are considering extending the arrangements under which they take service under Catawba and discussions have begun regarding the extensions. There are six cities that has signed a letter of intent to extend their agreement out of the 10 cities that are in PMPA. There are 4 cities that have not signed and this includes the City of Union. The City of Union and the City of Clinton is going to share in the cost of this analysis that is being presented at tonight's meeting. The City of Union has asked Navigant to do a study evaluating potential contract extension terms and to provide assessments on how those terms compare to alternate supply resources. Staff recommends that City Council give the authority for the Mayor to execute the Navigant Consulting Incorporated agreement in the amount of \$30,000 to move forward. Clinton has already executed their agreement. In three weeks they will have the analysis on where the City of Union is today. They analysis has already been done for PMPA and the second thing will be the economic analysis going forward on what they think the future is going to bring, what price it should be and whether it is good for Union to stay in the agreement or not to be in the agreement with PMPA. Mayor Pro Tem Garner states that he would like to see our attorney review what Navigant recommendation is to concur what they are saying based on his analysis.

**MOTION** by Mayor Pro Tem Garner to authorize the Mayor to execute the Navigant Consulting Incorporated agreement in the amount of \$30,000 to move forward.

**SECOND** by Councilmember Harris.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Thompson gave an update on DataMax. They have collected \$9,000 in uncollected business license taxes to date.

### **C. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Councilmember Sloss to adjourn.

**SECOND** by Councilmember Craig.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council meeting adjourned at 5:12 P.M.

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Gloria J. Rogers, Municipal Clerk

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_ 2018