

Walterboro City Council
Regular Meeting
September 22, 2009

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Walterboro City Council was held at City Hall on Tuesday, September 22, 2009 at 6:15 P.M. with Mayor Bill Young presiding.

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Bill Young, Council Members: Dwayne Buckner, Randy Peters, Charles Lucas, Ted Parker, Franklin Smalls and Tom Lohr. City Manager Jeff Lord, City Clerk Betty Hudson, City Attorney George Cone and Attorney Ashley Amundson were also present. Approximately 28 persons were present at the meeting.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Young called the meeting to order and called on Council Member Smalls to give the invocation and Council Member Lohr to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

The Mayor then opened the floor to receive public comments on any of the agenda items. No comments were given.

Even though not an agenda item, Mr. Shawn Jadrnicek asked if he could address Council. After a short discussion, the Mayor and Council agreed to allow Mr. Jadrnicek to speak to Council on the matter of purchasing the city water tower, on the motion of Council Member Buckner, seconded by Council Member Lucas and passed unanimously.

Presentation - Shawn Jadrnicek - ADD-ON AGENDA ITEM

Mr. Jadrnicek told Council that he would like to purchase the old water tower which is now being discontinued and turn it into the tallest climbing facility in the United States to bring people off of I-95 into the downtown area to help revitalize Walterboro. He pointed out that climbing is a full body exercise and is mentally challenging. It is safer than riding a bike or walking down the street. There is an insurance company that specializes in insuring the liability for climbing facilities. It is only about \$5,000 a year for that insurance. He stated that he had spoken with the Historical Commission and had gotten their approval for the project. The Historical Commission is the voting body that approves changes to historical structures, and I believe it can be done in a way it would not deface the structure. It would actually bring more people to it and exemplify its historic presence in the community.

Mr. Jadrnicek told Council that he would like a 2-year lease with a right to buy at the end of the lease. I would really like to get this started quickly and really make this happen.

Mayor Young told Mr. Jadrnicek that this matter was presented to Council and that Council did not have an interest in selling. Mayor Young also stated that there were some other issues in play there which has to do with the water lines that are connected to the water tower.

Mr. Jadrnicek then asked that Council reconsider the idea because it could be really good for the community. He said, I think that a lot of those engineering things could be worked around.

Council Member Lucas pointed out that the footprint of the lot of the tower where it sets is very small. The only access to it comes from Hampton Street. Mr. Jadrnicek agreed

that the access is through the alley way from Hampton Street. The lot is 3,600 sq. feet, and inside the tower there are 300 sq. feet of building space. This is more space than you find at James Island County Park in their water tower. It's more inside space than they have and maybe a little less outdoor space. I mean that it's enough space to provide an access to the alley. So, the access is there.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY COUNCIL AND THIS ITEM WAS ACCEPTED AS INFORMATION.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Young then announced a public hearing duly advertised to discuss the CDBG Program Income Amendment. Approximately 28 persons were in attendance at this hearing. A copy of the Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet is attached as part of these minutes. Michelle Knight of Lowcountry Council of Governments was present to conduct the hearing.

Ms. Knight opened the hearing by stating that she was here to discuss an amendment to the program income plan of the City of Walterboro. She gave the following background information:

- 1) The program income is basically money that was generated as a result of a Community Development Block Grant. In the case of the program income plan that the City of Walterboro has, this revision or proposed amendment, we are looking at tonight, would be the second amendment to that plan.
- 2) The money that has come into the City of Walterboro is the result of two housing rehabilitation projects; one that was awarded in 1986 and one that was awarded in 1990.
- 3) According to everyone's projections over the course of the 20-year period, those two projects should generate in the neighborhood of \$665,000.00. However, the City does not have \$665,000 in program income money today. Currently, the program income balance is \$86,614.80. The reason for this level is the fact that over time, the City has used the program income money for projects the State has deemed eligible under the plan at that particular time.
- 4) Currently, the program income plan allows for the money to be used to rehabilitate owner-occupied homes, which was the original intent of the plan when the money originally started coming into the city as a result of the housing rehab plan. It was amended also to address water and sewer service to low income individuals within the community, which was the purpose of the first amendment.
- 5) What we are asking tonight for comment on, is to expand the eligibility of projects to include "assisting with new construction of affordable housing and to conduct demolition and clearance activities." The idea behind this is specifically related to trying to start something with the revitalization efforts in the Lemacks Street area, for example. There are a number of areas in the city like that where city staff and communities have identified the need to go in and make some comprehensive efforts toward things to better those low income communities.
- 6) If we just do owner-occupied housing rehab under this program income plan, it limits what we can do. If we add the activities, such as the "new construction for

affordable housing and the demolition and clearance activities," it gives the city the ability to address more areas within those communities that need some attention.

Ms. Knight then opened the floor to receive any questions or comments.

Council Member Buckner then asked Ms. Knight, whether the \$86,000 is a loan or a grant that's made available to these communities.

Ms. Knight responded that the money was generated by low interest loans. The way we are using it now, it could be set up as a loan. It could be set up as a deferred forgivable loan which basically means if you live there, then it is forgiven. It just depends on, with new projects coming in, how you set that up.

Council Member Buckner, asked, is it offered to individuals, or is the money offered to municipalities, this \$86,000? How is it administered?

Ms. Knight told Councilman Buckner, the fact of the matter is, because this is program income money, it's supposed to walk, talk and act just like CDBG money, which means all the federal strings apply. If you came to me as a low income homeowner and wanted some of this money to help rehab your house, we'd have to do an environmental review on the site of your home. You'd have to qualify - income based. All those things would have to happen. Lowcountry Council of Governments' responsibility on behalf of the city is to make sure that those requirements are adhered to.

Council Member Buckner then asked who qualifies for this money.

Ms. Knight responded, basically, it would have to be any people or projects that meet the eligibility requirements of the Community Development Block Grant Program. So, you'd have to be low-to-moderate income, which means your income would have to be less than 80% of the medium household income for residents of Colleton County, based on the number of people in your house, just like all of the other grant projects that the city applies for, or it would have to be a project that addresses a slum or blight area within the city, or it would have to be a project that addresses an urgent or compelling need; like if a hurricane came through, you can meet an urgent need requirement by doing cleanup activities with this money.

Councilman Buckner then asked, where do people apply for this money? Do they go to Lowcountry Council of Governments or do they call the City Manager? Where do they apply and where is the application for this money?

City Manager Lord responded, the City does not do any loan programs since the last one when this money was originated. The city put out the loans and the program ended, and the money that's coming back from repayment from those loans is then turned around and used for CDBG purposes. We have always used it for matching and getting CDBG grants for typically infrastructure projects.

Ms. Knight then added, but we are now looking at using this as matching money for more housing related projects, as well, but owner-occupied housing rehab is not something that CDBG is doing anymore.

Councilman Buckner, then said, but in the need you mentioned "rehabilitate owner-occupied homes." So, that's a part of the Community Development Block Grant's eligible expenditure. Is that correct?

Ms. Knight responded, it is an eligible expenditure, but the fact of the matter is, the new program rules make it such that you almost have to have other monies from other sources in there to do it. Because, right now the current regulations for the Community Development Block Grant Program dictates if owner-occupied housing that you can do some minor rehab work as part of a Village Resonance Project, where you go in and you go down 2 or 3 streets, a section of the city, and you may address, Mrs. Smith's house which needs to be torn completely down and a new house is put up. You may address Mr. Jones' lot that has a vacant structure which is turning into a public nuisance by clearing it off. You may go to Mrs. Brown's house and go ahead and use monies for materials to do a roof or to paint it outside. As far as housing rehab, the way it used to be done, you can't do it with CDBG now.

Ms. Knight further stated, what we have discussed with the City is partnering this money and CDBG money and housing consortium money (because you know the LCOG has a housing consortium which is doing traditional owner-occupied rehab); to be able to go out into a section of the City and do all those things at one time, rather than just addressing 2 or 3 houses out of 10 on a street where you can't tell what you have done for a while.

Mayor Young then pointed out that this is an agreement that goes back years and years ago, and it is just being amended so that we can reapply to use the money.

Ms. Knight then said, the initial plan was developed after the 1990 grant was awarded because you had money coming in. Typically, what communities do, if they want to keep that money and not return it to the State, is prepare a program income plan, which is what the city did, and typically they look at doing the same things they have been doing with the money. That's how the city started out. The fund grew and grew, but there was no activity to spend the money a long time ago. After Mr. Tuck McConnell (former City Manager) came back the second time, an effort was made to start expending some of this money for eligible CDBG purposes. That's how we have gotten to where we are today.

Council Member Buckner then said, it also talks about "assist with new construction of affordable new housing". If I wanted to build a new house in the City of Walterboro, will this program assist me or whomever in being able to do that?

Ms. Knight responded, the idea of "assisting with new construction of affordable housing" is where you are involving a developer group, like a Habitat group. For instance, if Habitat comes in and wants to do 4 or 5 houses in the City or in an area, and they need additional funding; maybe they have the volunteers but do not have all the funding in place for the materials, or maybe they have a piece of the work that cannot be done by volunteers; then you can tap into this money to do that.

Mayor Young pointed out that it's not the City's intent to make loans to individuals. The North Lemacks Street Revitalization Project is where most of this is intended to go.

Next, Council Member Buckner asked, is this an eligible expense for an individual to be able to apply for housing assistance or build new construction under this grant?

Ms. Knight responded, it is an eligible expense. Mr. Buckner then asked, where do they get the application to apply for these grant monies. Is it your office at LCOG, or is it Mr. Lord's Office? Where do they find the application and submit it? Then once it's submitted, who decides whether or not their grant is approved.

Ms. Knight responded, if the City decides that they want to pursue a housing rehab project with this money or a home ownership project with this money, then the City and LCOG will have to sit down and prepare a plan, as far as a policy plan and as to how that will happen. Typically, there will be a program guideline manual set up, just like you would do with any other housing rehab project that stipulates how people can apply. There is a copy of the application as to what's on the application. It sets the parameters as to who is reviewing the application. Who's going to sit on your housing committee, because you will need a committee to review those applications after our staff says a person is eligible. There will have to be contractors' application. I mean you are talking about another project that would have to be set up. As far as right now, being able to tell a constituent to go to the city or to LCOG and ask for an application and you can go get money to fix your house right now - it's not going to happen like that. The City is going to have to tell us that their intent is to set up a project to do owners occupied housing rehab or a project to do home ownership.

Ms. Marsha Johnson, a city resident, then asked if all the details had been worked out for the North Lemacks Street Revitalization. Ms. Knight responded, I think there is a committee that is working on a plan right now. Ms. Johnson then asked, has Council already voted to designate that money for North Lemacks Street?

Mayor Young then stated, we have to get approval in order to be able to use the money in the North Lemacks Street revitalization, and this is part of getting approval to use the money in that way.

Ms. Knight answered by stating that the City has already made its intent as far as priorities are concerned and the revitalization of the North Lemacks Street area is one of its top three priority needs. The City had its needs assessment hearing. The first priority, I think was infrastructure, and this is strictly from memory. The second priority was revitalization of low income areas meaning the Lemacks Street area, among the others. They have already identified the Lemacks Street area as a priority needs area within the City.

Ms. Marsha Johnson then said, when you say infrastructures, you are talking about water and sewer for that area. Could this money be used for that?

Ms. Knight responded, it could be, but there is not a need to upgrade over there. I don't think the infrastructure needs over there are necessarily water and sewer. It may be more sidewalks and roads and things of that nature.

Based on questions raised by Attorney Cone, Ms. Knight answered affirmatively that 1) a public hearing was held at the time the city set its priority needs; 2) that the public had an opportunity to give input as to the needs and their priorities; and 3) that City Council acted after a public hearing.

There were no further comments made and the public hearing was closed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The Minutes of the August 25, 2009 and September 8, 2009 Regular Meeting were approved as submitted with minor grammar corrections. A motion was made by Council Member Peters, seconded by Council Member Smalls to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION:

1. Announcement of Public Safety Department Grant Awards

City Manager Jeff Lord presented this agenda item in the absence of Major Ken Dasen.

Mr. Lord announced that the City has received 3 grants recently through Public Safety. The first is a Recovery Act grant in the amount of \$47,422. This grant is designated to upgrade patrol vehicles computers so they can use the NCIC data base to help keep officers on the streets. They do not have to come back to the office to do reports. He noted that this item was one of the City's priorities set for this year, and we accomplished this through a grant. There is no matching money required by the City.

The second grant received was for \$11,397.00. This is to replace the generator that powers the Dispatch Office. There is no matching money required.

The third grant was for \$3,175.32 received for the bullet proof vest program. This grant has a matching requirement, but this match is budgeted. We budget that every year.

Council Member Buckner then asked the City Manager if the NCIC grant also allows for the police officer to have internet connection in their vehicles. City Manager Lord answered yes, this is creating the internet connection so that they can do that. Council Member Buckner then asked if the City currently has an internet usage policy. City Manager Lord responded, we do, however these computers are already restricted so they just can't go anywhere on the internet. It will be site specific for officers on the road. In response to another question raised by Councilman Buckner, Mr. Lord responded that the only sites the officers will be able to access are the NCIC site and the City's site that has the ticket program.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business before Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Revised CDBG # 3-L-87-015 and # 3-L-91-032 Program Income Plan to Allow for the Use of CDBG Funds to Assist in New Affordable Housing Units Construction Activities Including Clearance and Demolition Activities

A motion was made by Council Member Peters to approve the revision to CDBG # 3-L-91-015 and # 3-L-91-032 Program Income Plan as submitted. Council Member Parker seconded the motion.

In discussing the motion, Council Member Buckner stated that he wanted to make sure Council was approving as stated in our packet, the eligible uses of this particular money, which is to "assist with new construction of affordable housing and conduct demolition and clearance activities." He said, I just want to know exactly how are we going to administer this grant program. Do individuals have a right to be able to request this money as this stands as how we are going to approve it right now?

Mayor Young stated, what we are approving right now is a revision to something that has existed since 1990. This is not something new. This is something that has been there, and we are making a revision in it, so that we can qualify to do the work we need to do on North Lemacks Street.

Council Member Buckner then asked the City Attorney, as it reads in this Community Development Block Grant, that we are getting ready to approve, will individuals be able to apply?

City Attorney Cone responded that the City Council voted in January or February to set the priorities of the needs. Council will, in the future, act on those priorities as Council determines and sees fit. You are allowed to keep the money now, and at some future time, you will allocate it and expend it. It's allowed for any of those purposes, but you have already agreed on what you think are the most important things. I don't have that list, but Council has set its priorities for CDBG money and you have done a number of things with it in the past. Annually, Council sets priorities after a public hearing, and you have to look at your last priority list to know what you may do in the future. Council will have to act on those projects in the future to expend the money. Right now, you are just keeping this \$86,000 in an account marked "City of Walterboro CDBG funds". In the future, you will act on something to spend some of those monies. At that time, you will review the priority list you set in January. So, you will have to act again in the future before the money is expended.

The motion then passed with all members voting in favor.

2. Acceptance of PARD Grant to Complete the Walterboro City Park Master Plan in the Amount of \$20,000

City Manager Lord told Council that the City applied for and received a \$20,000 grant, which will need a match of \$5,000 from the City, to conduct a master plan of the parks that the City is assuming under the Walterboro-Colleton Recreation Commission. The proposal talks about 3 open meetings to talk to people in the community to find out what they want in their parks, and then review all parks and try to do a comprehensive review of all parks and how we can improve them.

Mayor Young announced and the City Manager agreed that the \$5,000 matching fund would come from the General Fund.

Mayor Young then entertained a motion to supply the matching funds and accept the PARD Grant. Council Member Lucas so moved and Council Member Peters seconded.

In discussing the motion, Council Member Smalls asked if there were any restrictions on spending the money. Is it correct that the grant money must be spent for parks? City Manager Lord responded affirmatively. He pointed out that PARD stands for Parks and

Recreational Development, so the grant has to be used on parks. Basically, the two things they pay for are master funds and implementing those master funds.

The motion then passed unanimously.

3. Consideration of Recommendation to Purchase T-3 Electric Mobility Vehicle for Public Safety Department (\$9,938.00)

City Manager Lord stated that the T3 vehicle was a budgeted item in the annual budget. Basically, it is an electric motored vehicle that the police officers can stand up on. It's a three wheeled vehicle with an extended range. It is so that they can do things like patrol the Great Swamp Sanctuary, patrol special events, and assist in the community policing program where they go door-to-door.

The Mayor then entertained a motion to approve the purchase of a T-3 Electric Mobility Vehicle for Public Safety. Council Member Parker so moved. Council Member Smalls seconded. In discussing the motion, Council Member Buckner asked City Manager Lord why there was only one quote submitted for this particular type vehicle. He wanted to know if there were companies that provide this type vehicle. Mr. Lord noted that there is only one provider of this type vehicle.

Council Member Buckner disagreed and stated that he had done some research on this item also. He pointed out there is another company, called Sentinel Police Mobility, that provides the same type vehicle. He said, I do not see their quote for this vehicle in our packets. That's the first issue I am trying to address. I am asking you what is the procurement policy as it relates to getting bids for purchases over a certain amount.

City Manager Lord stated that the T3 vehicle was identified because it is used by other municipalities in the state, so we were able to base it on their experience. The other vehicle that you mentioned, I do not know about. So, we identified the T3, the budget was for a T3, so we presented it as a single source item.

Councilman Buckner then asked, is it possible that we can meet the same goal with bicycles instead of purchasing this T3 mobility type vehicle?

City Manager Lord responded, we already have bicycles. We already do patrols on bicycles. This vehicle provides a more stable platform so that they can carry more with this type vehicle.

Council Member Peters asked if the vehicle was priced under budget. City Manager Lord answered that he believed the budget for this item was \$10,000. So, this vehicle price is under budget.

The motion passed with a vote of 6/1, with Mayor Young, Peters, Lucas, Parker, Smalls and Lohr voting in favor. Council Member Buckner voted against the motion for adoption.

4. Consideration of Contract for Conceptual Planning Services for I-95 Business Loop Streetscape Corridor by Wood+Partners, Inc.

Mr. Lord stated that the contract concerns on this item have been settled to the satisfaction of our attorney. He further stated that this is another one of the priority items this year, for us to get the plan for the improvement of the I-95 Loop Project. This is to

connect the two interchanges from Sniders through Jefferies, and up Bells Highway. This is for the comprehensive plan, which includes several open meetings to get feedback from the public, staff and city officials.

The Mayor then entertained a motion to approve the contract for conceptual planning services by Wood+Partners for the I-95 Business Loop Streetscape Corridor. Council Member Lucas so moved. Council Member Smalls seconded the motion.

In discussing the motion, Council Member Smalls asked if this is a finished product as far as the state is concerned. City Manager Lord responded, no. He stated, what this is going to provide is the conceptual plan for the entire corridor, so that we can secure funding. Once we get the funding, which probably will have to be in stages, because it is such a large project, the actual design documents with full surveys will be part of that funding.

Council Member Buckner then asked if this is the project that incorporates local businesses landscape architects. He then asked, where are they mentioned in this contract?

City Manager Lord responded that they are listed as "native landscape consultants" in the schedule of fees, Exhibit B. They will be paid at the same rate as the senior project manager.

Council Member Buckner then asked, are we able to determine what percentage of this total contract that the local vendor will receive from this? City Manager Lord responded that this contract pays for the services on an hourly basis with a "do not exceed amount". So, he will be paid for the work that he does and the percentages are not allocated.

Council Member Buckner, then said, my concern with this is that it should be spelled out exactly to what extent the percentage of money should be allocated for whatever company that is doing this particular project. I think there are 3 companies - the first one is Wood+Partners, another company and Verdant Enterprises.

City Manager Lord corrected by stating, there are four companies. There is a landscape architect, the engineering firm, the arborist and the landscape consultant (which is the local firm).

The motion then passed with all members voting in favor.

5. Consideration of Contract for Inventory and Assessment Services Proposal for Downtown Arborscape by Wood+Partners, Inc.

City Manager Lord reminded Council that this is the same company chosen for the landscape services. This contract is for the downtown Arborscape Project. This is to look at and make a plan to review the trees that we have downtown, possibly to replace the ones that died or are not sustainable. This is a much smaller project than the I-95 project, and this is really restricted to the trees. This is an overall streetscape plan.

Mayor Young then entertained a motion to approve the contract for Inventory and Assessment Services for the Downtown Arborscape by Wood+Partners, Inc. Council Members Peters so moved. Council Member Parker seconded the motion.

In discussing the motion, Council Member Lucas asked if there were any consideration of local company's involvement with this. City Manager Lord responded affirmatively. The process that we went through to choose the landscape firm and we brought that to you a couple of meetings ago. So, yes, local landscape firms were talked to, and two of them made the top 3.

Council Member Lucas clarified by stating, I meant just like the first contract, they are going to use some local companies in doing the planning. City Manager Lord responded, no - this one does not include that because this is only for trees. When you are talking about native landscaping, you are talking about herbaceous plants; this is not looking at the herbaceous plants scheme. This is just looking at the trees.

The motion then passed unanimously.

6. Consideration of Contract for Conceptual Site Plans and Probable Costs for Improvements to Walterboro's Existing Park System by Wood+Partners, Inc.

Mayor Young announced that this item would be paid for with the PARD Grant that was just accepted tonight. City Manager Lord affirmed that Council had just accepted the grant and approved the matching funds tonight. This is actually a different division of the same firm. They specialize in parks master plans and development. So, we asked them for a proposal to be able to do that.

The Mayor then entertained a motion to approve the contract for conceptual site plans and probable costs for improvements to the City's existing park system by Wood+Partners, Inc. Council Member Peters so moved. Council Member Lucas seconded the motion.

In discussing the motion, Council Member Smalls asked how soon will this service start on the parks. City Manager Lord responded, right away; as soon as we do it, then they will schedule the open meetings.

Council Member Buckner then asked if the city bid out this particular service for the parks.

City Manager Lord responded that the City did an RFQ for services for landscape urban design services and this would fall under urban design services.

Council Member Buckner then asked, did it include the parks that we are referring to in this proposal?

City Manager Lord responded, no. He further stated, we did an RFQ for a firm, just like we did for an engineering firm. You picked an engineering firm to be your engineering firm, and here you have picked an architectural firm to be your landscape and urban design services firm.

Council Member Buckner then asked. In that request, did we include parks, because I do not recall parks being a part of it? City Manager Lord, responded "no".

Council Member Buckner then asked, wouldn't it have been fair to also do an RFP asking for proposals to design the parks, instead of just using this company without allowing other architectural firms to bid on the design of the parks?

City Manager Lord, then said, you certainly can do that. Council Member Buckner then asked, what is the correct procedure in order to do that?

Mr. Lord said, the procedure is what we have done, and that is to do an RFQ for qualifications and you have chosen your firm and that does follow the guidelines as I understand them. That is a correct procedure. You can also, if you choose, decide to not include this in that and direct me to get new proposals for qualifications for park services.

Mayor Young then stated, as I understand it, the RFQ was to handle the city's landscaping projects, which would include all of the city's landscaping projects. City Manager Lord added, when we advertised, we advertised for the streetscape projects and arborscape project.

Council Member Buckner asked did we advertise for the parks. City Manager Lord responded, we did not. When I presented it to you, I presented it to you as a whole package.

Council Member Buckner then asked Mr. Lord, is our local landscape architects involved in this project in improving the parks? City Manager Lord responded, no.

Councilman Buckner then said. Thank you for answering that question. I think that this is wrong. They should be included in the landscape architecture of our local parks - some local landscape architects. However, they did not have an opportunity or were not chosen to be able to do landscape architectural services for the parks that are in our city. I think we should re-advertise the landscape architectural bids in the newspapers and allow this bid process to continue, because I do not think you mentioned that in the original bid. You mentioned that it was just for the I-95 Loop and landscape arbor with the trees downtown. Parks were not included. I think that's not the correct thing that we want to do when we are advertising "Keep our Bucks in the Boro, and we have local parks and no local landscape architecture providing any design skills in this project.

There was no further discussion. **The motion then passed with a vote of 6/1 with Mayor Young, Council Members Peters, Lucas, Parker, Smalls and Lohr voting in favor. Council Member Buckner opposed the motion.**

7. Request for Street Closing for the Annual Christmas Parade December 6, 2009 by the Rice Festival Board

A motion was made by Council Member Smalls, seconded by Council Member Parker to approve the request for street closing for the Annual Christmas Parade on December 6 as submitted by the Rice Festival Board. **The motion passed unanimously.**

8. Request for Street Closing for the Band of Blue Booster Club Palmetto Stride 5-K Run and Walk on November 14, 2009

A motion approving this request as submitted was made by Council Member Buckner, seconded by Council Member Smalls and passed **with all members voting in favor.**

9. Designation of Voting Delegate for the 2009 NLC Congress of Cities Meeting in San Antonio, TX, November 10-14, 2009

Mayor Young then nominated Council Member Franklin Smalls as the voting delegate. Council Member Lucas seconded the motion. Vote on the motion was unanimous, except Council Member Smalls did not vote.

10. Consideration of Rescheduling or Canceling the November 10, 2009 Regular Meeting

It was noted that this Council Meeting will occur during the National League of Cities (NLC) Congress of Cities Meeting which will be held in San Antonio, Texas. A motion was made by Council Member Peters to cancel the regular scheduled November 10, 2009 meeting. Council Member Smalls seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

THERE WERE NO COMMITTEE REPORTS GIVEN.

There being no further business to consider, a motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Lucas and passed unanimously. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:11 P.M. Notice of this meeting was distributed to all local media and posted on the City Hall bulletin board at least twenty-four hours prior to meeting time.

Respectfully,

Betty J. Hudson
City Clerk

APPROVED: October 13, 2009