

Date: May 9, 2019
Meeting of: Locust City Council
Time: 7:00 pm
Members Present: Mayor Huber, Mandy Watson, JC Burris, Harry Fletcher, Michael Haigler and Larry Baucom
Members Absent: Roger Hypes and Rusty Efird
Order: Mayor Huber
Pledge: Mayor Huber
Prayer: Mayor Huber

PUBLIC HEARING: 2019-2020 BUDGET

No one spoke for or against

PUBLIC HEARING: REZONONG OF PROPERTY AT 1713 W MAIN ST

No one spoke for or against

Call to order at 7:05pm

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom **(5-0)**
Motion to excuse Council Members Roger Hypes and Rusty Efird

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Michael Haigler **(5-0)**
Motion to adopt agenda

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom **(5-0)**
Motion to adopt April 2019 minutes

Financials: 2 months left in the fiscal year and both the General Fund and Waste Water Fund are in good shape.

Mayors Report: Proclamation was read for Police Week. Recognition of Chief Hartsell for receiving the Outstanding Career Service Award and Officer Dwayne Dietz for receiving the Got Your Six Award at the Thin Blue Line awards night.

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom **(5-0)**
Motion to adopt Police Week Proclamation

Administrators Report: Purchase orders and budget amendments were reviewed. 2019/2020 budget update. John Frye with Capital Management of the Carolinas spoke on the rules for investing idle funds. City Administrator Cesar Correa presented the Council with an opportunity to make an additional payment on the City Hall loan that will save the City \$210,000 over the life of the loan and potentially shave 3 years off the loan as well.

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (5-0)
Motion to open accounts with Capital Management of the Carolinas and invest idle funds for both the General Fund and Waste Water Fund

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (5-0)
Motion to approve additional City Hall loan payment

M/S/A Council Members Larry Baucom and Mandy Watson (5-0)
Motion to approve purchase orders

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Michael Haigler (5-0)
Motion to approve budget amendments

Admin/HR: Thanks to staff for all their hard work.

Parks: Sports in full swing. Trolls Movie this month, Concert kickoff on the 18th, Farmers Market beginning this month

Facilities: N/A

PW: Working on I&I

EDC/Small Business Support: N/A

ABC: N/A

PD/Zoning: P&Z Board Chairman Bob Remsburg stepped down from the P&Z Board and Tim Fesperman was to the Board and appointed as Chairman. Hopper Communities met with NCDOT and has revised the site plan for the proposed Elm Street development. Lots are bigger with less density, additional stubouts, reduced cul-de-sacks and blocked access to Mockingbird Lane until project is complete. They are working in grading to work with the topography. Lots will step down with a max of 5% grade, 23% of site undisturbed. Council wants to define terms of major re-grading.

M/A Council Member Harry Fletcher (no second needed) **(5-0)**
Motion to rezone 1713 W Main St from OPS to HC – motion came from P&Z Board

Public Comment for Elm Street Development:

Joel Whitley – Spoke against, says ordinance states no major re-grading or flattening of landscape

Kelli Coley – Spoke against, wants to maintain rural heritage

Jeff Almond – Spoke against on behalf of his father

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Michael Haigler **(5-0)**
Motion to table action on proposed Elm Street Development until elevations can be seen to explain grading scales until June 13, 2019 and set public hearing for the same day on the proposed development.

Public Comment: Kost Bosnakes spoke on sinking street on Christy Lane

Board Closing Comments: Thank you to all staff and departments. Nice to see citizens coming out to the meetings. Lots of work to do in the next month.

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom **(5-0)**
Motion to enter into executive session at 8:43pm

Out of executive session at 9:03pm

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Michael Haigler **(5-0)**
Motion to allow City Administrator Cesar Correa to negotiate potential purchase of additional property for the park.

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Michael Haigler **(5-0)**
Motion to adjourn at 9:13pm

Stephen Huber, Mayor

Amy Meachum, City Clerk