

**SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF GEORGETOWN, SC
OCTOBER 21, 2009**

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A Special Meeting of City Council was held this date in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Lynn Wood Wilson presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Lynn Wood Wilson
Mayor Pro Tem Brendon M. Barber, Sr. Councilmember Jack M. Scoville, Jr.
Councilmember Rudolph A. Bradley Councilmember Peggy P. Wayne
Councilmember Paige B. Sawyer, III

Councilmember Clarence C. Smalls was absent from the meeting.

ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. Chris Eldridge, City Administrator
Mrs. Elise F. Crosby, City Attorney
Ms. Ann U. Mercer, City Clerk

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Mrs. Jessica Miller, Finance Director

NEWS MEDIA

Georgetown Times – Scott Harper
WGTV/WLMC – Mr. Rod Stalvey

Mayor Wilson opened the Special Meeting of City Council at 4:36 PM. Councilmember Bradley rendered the invocation and Mayor Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wilson asked that all cell phones be turned off or changed to vibrate.

Mr. Chris Eldridge presented a Resolution authorizing the City of Georgetown to assign the interests in the Winyah Auditorium to the City of Georgetown Winyah Auditorium Corporation.

**Call to Order,
Invocation &
Pledge**

COUNCILMEMBER BRADLEY MOVED TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN TO ASSIGN TO THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN WINYAH AUDITORIUM CORPORATION ITS INTEREST AND YET TO BE CREATED HORIZONTAL PROPERTY REGIME FOR THE WINYAH AUDITORIUM, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCOVILLE. Councilmember Wayne said she spoke with Mrs. Virginia Skinner today and Mrs. Skinner said the Youth Association has a signed contract with the City which states if the City does away with the auditorium it will go back to the Association. Mayor Wilson stated he was not aware of any such contract. Mrs. Skinner indicated Cindi Howard and Jessica Miller should have copies. Mrs. Miller said she has a copy of a contract but the copy she has does not include that statement. Mayor Wilson asked Mrs. Miller to get the document. Mayor Pro Tem Barber asked if the Resolution is approved, what financial strings are attached from the City standpoint, to the auditorium. Mr. Eldridge said the Board would like some help with the operational costs for a period of time. This step will come after this action. Mayor Wilson said Ms. Frannie Heizer, who crafted the contract, will be available next week and he said it would be a good idea for Council to meet with her and the Board. Mayor Wilson asked for more discussion. Mayor Wilson called for the question. **MAYOR WILSON, MAYOR PRO TEM BARBER AND COUNCILMEMBERS BRADLEY, SAWYER AND SCOVILLE VOTED IN FAVOR. COUNCILMEMBER WAYNE VOTED AGAINST. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-1.**

Resolution – Authorize City to Assign to the Winyah Auditorium Corporation Its Interest and Yet to be Created Horizontal Property Regime

COUNCILMEMBER BRADLEY MOVED TO ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL AND GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LEGAL MATTERS RELATING TO THE WINYAH AUDITORIUM, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SAWYER Mayor Wilson called for the question. **THE MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED 6-0.**

Adjourn Special Meeting and Enter Executive Session

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 4:47 PM.

MAYOR PRO TEM BARBER MOVED TO REOPEN SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BRADLEY. Mayor Wilson called for the question. **THE MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED 6-0.**

Reopen Special Meeting

The Special Meeting was reopened at 5:02 PM.

Mayor Wilson announced that no formal action was taken in Executive Session.

COUNCILMEMBER SAWYER MOVED TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR WINYAH SCHOOL, LLC TO SUBMIT THE PROPERTY TO A HORIZONTAL PROPERTY REGIME AND FOR THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN TO ACCEPT SAME TO NOVEMBER 30, 2009, SECONDED BY COUNCIOMEMBER BRADLEY. Mayor Wilson asked for discussion. Mayor Wilson called for the question. **MAYOR WILSON, MAYOR PRO TEM BARBER AND COUNCILMEMBERS BRADLEY, SAWYER AND SCOVILLE VOTED IN FAVOR. COUNCILMEMBER WAYNE VOTED AGAINST. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-1.**

Extend Date on Contract of Sale

COUNCILMEMBER BRADLEY MOVED TO ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM BARBER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED 6-0.

Adjourn Special Meeting

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 5:04 PM.

Ann U. Mercer
City Clerk

DATE APPROVED: 12/17/09
VERIFYING INITIALS: _____