

MINUTES
Town of Lexington
Executive Session and
COUNCIL WORK SESSION

July 9, 2012

Town Council held an Executive Session followed by a Council Work Session and followed by the July Regular Council meeting on July 9, 2012 in the Eli Mack Sr. Room and Council Chambers. The meetings were attended by: Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel Livingston, Council Members Kathy Maness, Ted Stambolitis, Danny Frazier, Todd Shevchik and Steve MacDougall. Mayor Halfacre was absent due to vacation. Staff members present were: Town Administrator Britt Poole, Assistant Town Administrator Stuart Ford, Town Attorney Brad Cunningham, Police Chief Terrence Green, Director of Planning, Building and Technology John Hanson, Economic Development Catalyst Johnny Jeffcoat, Utilities and Engineering Director Allen Lutz, Finance Director Kathy Roberts, Director of Parks, Streets and Sanitation Dan Walker, Events and Media Coordinator Jennifer Dowden, IT Manager Josh Emory, and Municipal Clerk Becky Hildebrand.

There were no citizens or news media present for the Council Work Session. There were two (2) citizens present for the Council Meeting and two members of the media.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston reported that the *Executive Session* was called to order at 5:31 p.m. after a motion was made by Councilmember Shevchik and seconded by Councilmember Maness to go into *Executive Session* to discuss a legal matter related to a Town contract; a contractual issue related to potential purchase of property in Town limits; and, one personnel matter. The motion was unanimously carried by all those present (6). Council adjourned from *Executive Session* at 6:07 p.m. after a motion was made by Councilmember MacDougall and seconded by Councilmember Shevchik. The motion was unanimously carried by all those present. No vote was taken. A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Frazier to ratify the Mayor Pro Tem's *Executive Session* report. The motion was unanimously carried by all those present.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston called the Work Session to order at 6:10 p.m.

BUSINESS ITEMS: (For Discussion and Recommendation for Council Meeting on August 6, 2012 Council meeting.)

1. **Cost Participation for Larkin Woods Subdivision – Director of Utilities, Engineering and Planning Allen Lutz:** Lexington Investment Group, LLC decided to proceed with the development of Larkin Woods Subdivision which is a 65 lot subdivision located on Cromer Road off Mineral Springs Road. The

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developer requested that the Town participate with the off-site sewer. Per the Town's policy, Council can approve up to 25% of the CCF's not to exceed the total cost of the off-site construction. This would be credited by CCF's. Larkin Woods off-site sewer was estimated at \$244,308.00. Per the Town's policy for participation, Council could agree to 25% of the CCF's from the total toward the off-site sewer, which would equal to 16.25 CCF's or \$60,125.00. Council's approval cannot exceed the amount allowed by policy. Total CCF's for the project will be \$240,500.00.

The request for cost participation failed due to the lack of a motion by Council.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

1. **Mutual Aid Agreement – Chief of Police Terrence Green:** The Lexington Police Department enters into Mutual Aid Agreements with other law enforcement agencies in order to provide additional manpower as needed by agencies. The Lexington Police Department entered into a Mutual Aid Agreement and a Narcotics Enforcement Agreement with the City of Columbia.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston thanked Chief Green for the great job he and his department did recently assisting with traffic during the funeral of two Lexington soldiers. She added that she heard only praise about the department and how well they handled the procession.

Councilmember Frazier also thanked Chief Green and added that he appreciated him coming back to Town from his vacation to assist with the funeral because he knew that would not be the case with all Chiefs.

Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston asked for Council's input on the design of the new welcome gate to be placed on Highway 378. She stated that the Dennis Corporation has verified that SCDOT required that the gate be part of the interchange beautification project, therefore the design needed to be submitted as soon as possible. Councilmember Stambolitis stated that he preferred the first option as submitted to Council. Other Councilmembers suggested a combination of the four drafts to include a fountain feature, a rock feature, a brick feature and a stone feature to represent all the aspects of Lexington. Councilmembers MacDougall and Stambolitis preferred that the sign just say "Lexington" and not use the Town's logo because it could change in the future. Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston stated that SCANA would donate more large stones and Lexington County would assist in moving the stones. She advised Council that a wrought iron fence would soon be installed at Lexington Square for safety reasons.

STAFF COMMENTS: None.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further comments or questions, a motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Shevchik to adjourn the Council's Work Session at 6:29 p.m. and go into Council's July Regular Council meeting in the Council Chambers. The motion was unanimously carried by all those present.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky P. Hildebrand, CMC
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

T. Randall Halfacre
Mayor

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