



LIBERTY CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

August 6th, 2024- 6:30pm

Rosewood Center - 419 E Main St. Liberty, SC 29657

- **Welcome and Call to Order Mayor Woods** at 6:30 pm
- **Invocation** giving by Councilmember Arms
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Mayor's Announcements**
 - I had a wonderful time, and there was a great turnout at our Love My Liberty 4th of July event. Thank you to our Councilmembers who participated. Thank you, Tabitha Skipper, for chairing this event and all of our vendors. Thank you, Potters Clay Fellowship, for bringing all the fun and festivities to the Love my Liberty 4th of July event. Thank you to everyone who came out and celebrated Independence Day with us.
 - Congratulations to Councilmember Rhonda Whitaker for graduating from the Municipal Institute for Elected Officials with the Municipal Association of South Carolina.
 - There will be a Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Plan on September 11th at 6 p.m. at the Rosewood Center. The plan is updated every 10 years and reviewed every 5. Thank you, Planning Commission and Jennifer Vissage, for all your hard work. This has taken months, and there have been many open sessions.
 - Congratulations to Councilmember Zach Arms for graduating from Clemson University with his master's in education. We appreciate you and all your dedication to Liberty.
 - New AC unit in Mills Gym. For a long time, we have had some patient athletes who have been practicing in that hot gym who are thankful it has been fixed. The units were back ordered for a year. Thank you to the Rec staff for their hard work and dedication and for helping to make this happen. Thank you, Liberty Heating and Cooling. We are happy to help a local business.
 - Attached is the announcement made by the Pickens Regional Joint Water System (PRJWS). The City Echoes this as a city. So, everyone is clear that we did not know the City of Pickens was going to be pulling out of the PRJWS. We found out when they put their Agenda out. IT came as a surprise to us, and even their own City Attorney did not know about it. When we get more information, we will notify the public of that information at the appropriate time.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Robbie Shoelenben announced to Celebrate Mayor Erica Romo Woods, who was elected to serve on the Municipal Association of Mayors board. We appreciate this opportunity and congratulate Mayor Woods.

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- **Public Session (Speakers are allowed 3 minutes)-**
 - Angela Adams- Regarding homesteading and changing any necessary ordinances to allow homesteading.

- **Approval of Minutes –**
 - June 10th, 2024- Regular Session Minutes
Motion: Councilmember Graybeal
2nd: Councilmember Arms
Discussion: No Discussion
Vote: 7-0

- **Unfinished/ Old Business: (2nd Readings)-**

- **New Business: (1st Readings & Resolutions)-**
 - 2024-05- Amending the Smoking Regulation in Chapter 23 of the City of Liberty Code.
Motion: Councilmember Shoelenben
2nd: Councilmember Arms
Discussion: Councilmember Whitaker asked if, to sum it up, it was pretty much adding in regarding inhalant devices. City Attorney Ms. McCormac replied yes. Councilmember Arms asked If you can still do it, as long as it is in an appropriate place. Mary replied yes, for example, by bar. Hookah bar
Vote: 7-0

 - 2024-06—Amending Section #2-41 (AGENDA) to provide more flexibility and efficiency in scheduling and conducting City Council meetings.
Motion: Councilmember Massie
2nd: Councilmember Whitaker
Discussion: Councilmember Arms made a motion to amend it, which shows that it must be presented to the mayor no later than Friday before the Council meeting. Second by Councilmember Graybeal. Vote- 7/0
Vote: 7-0

 - 2024-07- Business License- Update
Motion: Councilmember Graybeal
2nd: Councilmember Whitaker
Discussion: See attachments for Notes from presenter Kaitlyn Sizemore- Business License Official.
Vote: 7-0

 - 2024-08- Set Off Debt- Update

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Motion: Councilmember Arms

2nd: Councilmember Shoenleben

Discussion: Arms asked if there is a \$ 25\$ fee, and Mary replied yes.

Vote: 7-0

● **City Administrator/Department Head Reports-**

- Mr. Philip Trotter's Administrator's Report

● **City Council Reports –**

- Robbie Shoenleben (Ward 1) – No Report
- Lavant Padgett (Ward 2)- No Report
- Daniel Graybeal (Ward 3)- No Report
- Jeff Massie (Ward 4)- No Report
- Zachary Arms (At-Large)- Thank you, Planning Commission/ACOG, for all that you have done for the Comprehensive Plan. Shoutout to Tim Rampey. Tim retired from Liberty after 27 years in Law Enforcement, of which 10 were from Liberty. Tim has now taken on an opportunity to teach public safety in the school.
- Rhonda Whitaker (At- Large)- No Report

Motion to Enter Executive Session:

Executive Session for the purpose of receiving legal advice on matters covered by the attorney-client privilege related to future use of public-owned facilities- S.C. Code Sec. 30-4-70 (a)(2)

Executive Session to discuss employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, or an appointment to a public body- S.C. Code Sec.30-4-70 (a)(1)

Motion: Councilmember Graybeal

2nd: Councilmember Whitaker

Discussion: No discussion

Vote: 7-0

Motion to Exit Executive Session:

Motion: Councilmember Graybeal

2nd: Councilmember Whitaker

Discussion: No Discussion

Vote: 7-0

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Adjournment

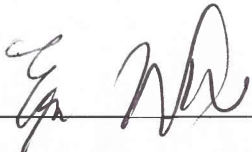
Motion: Councilmember Whitaker

2nd: Councilmember Arms

Discussion: No Discussion

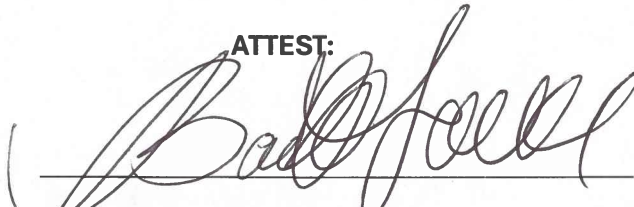
Vote: 7-0

Ending Time: 8:31 pm



Mayor Erica Romo Woods, City of Liberty

ATTEST:



Clerk of Council, Bailee Locke