CITY OF DARLINGTON
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP HELD IN THE COURTROOM/COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT
400 PEARL STREET, DARLINGTON, SC
TUESDAY DECEMBER 10, 2024, AT 5:30 PM

Present: Mayor Curtis Boyd, Councilpersons Shelia Baccus, Angela McRavin, Bryant Gardner, Elaine Reed, John Milling and John Segars. Also, present were Gloria Pridgen, Interim City Manager, Celeste Dubose and Attorney Kevin Etheridge.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Mayor Boyd.

Councilwoman Elaine Reed did the invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Elaine Reed made a motion to go into executive session at 5:38 PM for discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to pending, threatened, or potential claim or the position of the public agency. And all the adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim and to receive legal advice dealing with matters covered by attorney-client privilege, including a potential legal claim. Councilman Bryant Gardner seconded the motion. Councilpersons McRavin, Baccus, Milling and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion. Councilman Segars is on the way.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant Garnder, seconded by Councilwoman Elaine Reed, the executive session ended at 6:08 PM. Councilpersons Segars, Milling, McRavin, Baccus and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of the motion.

Councilman Gardner made a motion that if agreed to by Darlington County Council & the City of Darlington to sell the property located at Highway 151 for the sum of $600,000. This agreement will be finalized by Multiple Listing Service (MLS) approved contract at the time all parties agree. And the terms will be set forth within neither party is represented by a realtor. Councilman Gardner said, Ms. Elaine would you mind seconding that? Councilwoman Elaine Reed seconded the motion. City Attorney Kevin Etheridge said, just so we understand we are just talking about a letter with that being the body of the letter, correct? Councilman Segars voted for the motion. Councilman Milling said, "I'm going to vote against it just because I'd like to explore it more after the new city manager gets here to see if we can.... without having to wait too long, find a party that is willing to pay beyond what we paid for it four years or so ago. Councilwoman McRavin said, "It's just a letter, so she voted in favor of it."

Councilwoman Baccus voted against the motion. Councilwoman Reed voted in favor of the motion. Councilman Milling said, "I'm going to vote against it just because I'd like to explore it more after the new city manager gets here to see if we can.... without having to wait too long, find a party that is willing to pay beyond what we paid for four years or so ago. City Attorney, Kevin Etheridge asked if the letter is supposed to go to Charles Stewart? Councilman Gardner said, "Correct." The vote was 5 in favor and 2 against.

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Upon motion of Councilman John Segars, seconded by Councilman Bryant Gardner, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM. Councilpersons Reed, McRavin, Baccus, Milling and Mayor Boyd voted in favor of adjourning the meeting.

Event Reminders:

Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m.: City Employee Supper
Dec. 20 at 6 p.m.: Christmas Movie Night (Elf) in Wells Park
Dec. 24-26: City Offices closed for Christmas
Jan. 7, 2025, at 6 p.m.: City Council Meeting

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Assistant Clerk & Treasurer