

**City Council of the City of Greenville
Work Session**

**Monday, October 13, 2025
3:30 p.m.**

**Meeting Location:
Greenville City Hall, 206 S. Main Street**

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL: Mayor Knox White; Councilmembers John M. DeWorken, Lillian B. Flemming, Ken Gibson, Russell H. Stall, and Dorothy Dowe

Absent: Wil Brasington

CITY STAFF: City Manager Shannon Lavrin; City Attorney Leigh Paoletti; City Clerk Camilla G. Pitman

Mayor White called the meeting to order for the purpose of discussing the following matters.

North Main Connector Update (f/k/a Orange Line of Swamp Rabbit Trail)

Capital Projects Manager Calin Owens introduced Jean Crowder with Alta who provided a status update on the North Main Connector project, including alternatives analysis and trail design. Ms. Crowder also provided comments on alternative routes being evaluated and the connection to Wade Hampton Boulevard.

Ms. Crowder stated over 860 community members engaged through three open house events, virtual engagement, and stakeholder outreach. Ms. Crowder commented on the evaluation process for the northern, middle, and southern sections of the North Main Connector and on consideration of potential expenses. Council provided comments regarding suggested options for the Connector.

City Manager Shannon Lavrin stated she will let Council know when the next community meeting is scheduled.

Business License Changes

Chief Financial Officer Patricia Dennis provided an overview of proposed changes to the City's business license requirements as required by the Standardization Act of 2020, including the background and purpose, impact, options, requested changes, and required actions.

Ms. Dennis shared staff recommendations and the impact with requested changes and advised that the City must adopt an updated NAICS classification schedule by Ordinance prior to December 31. Ms. Dennis also shared that the City must communicate classifications and any rate changes to businesses prior to the 2026 renewal cycle.

Ms. Lavrin stated there are two projected revenue options: (1) accept revenue degrees or (2) adjust rates to maintain neutral revenue impact. Council provided comments and suggestions for proposed changes.

Motion - Executive Session

During the open Work Session, Mayor White asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Councilmember Gibson moved, seconded by Councilmember DeWorken, to go into Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Leigh Paoletti recommended going into executive session under S.C. Code §30-4-70 (a)(1) to discuss appointments to the City's boards and commissions or employment related matters, subsection (a)(2) negotiations for proposed contractual matters or to receive legal advice covered attorney-client privilege, and subsection (a)(5) to discuss economic development incentives, regarding the following matters:

1. (a)(2) Federal Grant Applications and Agreements: Review of current and upcoming federal grant opportunities;
2. (a)(1) Board and Commissions: Updates on board activities and appointments;
3. (a)(2) Pete Hollis Property: Potential contract for land sale;
4. (a)(2) Public Comment Policy: Discussion of potential revisions to the public comment policy;
5. (a)(2) Updates to the City's donation acceptance policy and agreements;
6. (a)(2) Potential land purchase on Mayberry Street for the long-term development of Mayberry St.;
7. (a)(2) and (5) Briefing on the "be the change" program agreement with United Housing Connections; and
8. (a)(2) Update on negotiations and acquisition process for Greenline-Spartanburg property.

(Executive Session)

There being no further discussions, Councilmember Gibson moved, seconded by Councilmember Stall, to go out of Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously. No action was taken.

With no further discussions, the meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Camilla G. Pitman, MMC, Certified PLS
City Clerk

Meeting notice posted on October 10, 2025