



MINUTES

FORMAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

City Hall, 206 S. Main Street, Council Chambers
Monday, December 8, 2025 - 5:30 p.m.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF GREENVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Welcome
Invocation
Posting of Colors
Pledge of Allegiance
and National Anthem
Administration of Oaths

Camilla G. Pitman, City Clerk
Pastor Jennifer Fouse Sheorn, Triune Mercy Center
Greenville Police Department Honor Guard
Greenville Youth Commission

Camilla G. Pitman, City Clerk, to Commissioner of Public Works
Debra Sofield; Councilmembers Lillian B. Flemming, L. Wil
Brasington, and Tina L. Belge.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Knox H. White

2. INVOCATION

Provided during Ceremony.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Provided during Ceremony.

4. ROLL CALL

The following members of City Council were in attendance: Mayor Knox White, John DeWorken, Lillian Flemming, Ken Gibson, Wil Brasington, Tina Belge, and Dorothy Dowe.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

November 24, 2025; Approved as submitted

6. COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilmember Belge provided welcoming comments, expressing her intentions for serving on City Council, and shared the goals she aims to achieve while serving the citizens of Greenville.

7. INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

None

8. PRESENTATION

- a. Recognition of Rance Bryan, *Downtown Merchants Association*
Community Affairs Projects Manager Cameron Campbell recognized outgoing Downtown Merchants Association President Rance Bryan and spoke to his accomplishments as a community leader.
- b. Financial Audit Presentation

Chief Financial Officer Patricia Dennis introduced Larry Finney of Greene Finney and Cauley, LLP to present an opinion of the FY 2024-2025 audit and financial statement of the city of Greenville as of June 30, 2025.

Mr. Finney stated the total fund balance for the General Fund is \$36.3 million as of June 30, 2025, which is an increase of \$9 million before the fund balance policy transfer to Capital Projects and District Dividends and is a decrease of \$40,000 after transfers. Mr. Finney also stated the unassigned fund balance is \$30.3 million, which is 25% percent of 2025 actual expenditures and is above the 20% percent minimum required by the City.

Mr. Finney stated the General Fund revenue for FY 2024-2025 totaled \$133.5 million, which is 10% percent, or \$12.6 million, better than the anticipated budget revenue. Mr. Finney also stated the General Fund expenditures totaled \$120.9 million, which is 4% percent, or \$5.6 million, under budget. Mr. Finney reported that every single department at the City was under budget on the expenditure side this year.

Mr. Finney advised that a single compliance audit was performed of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and American Rescue Plan Act and stated that one finding related to reporting information on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards was identified, and that it has since been corrected.

Mr. Finney shared that the audit and financial statements are being finalized but are not expected to change in numbers. Mr. Finney stated the City will receive an unmodified opinion once the financial statements are finalized, which is best opinion the City can receive. Mr. Finney noted that the City is in a healthy financial condition as of June 30, 2025, and continues to win awards on financial reporting. Mr. Finney expressed appreciation to City staff for their assistance in the process.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

None

10. APPOINTMENTS – Boards and Commissions

None

CONSENT AGENDA

There will be no discussion of Consent Agenda items unless a Council member so requests in which event the item in question will be considered separately.

Councilmember Brasington moved, seconded by Councilmember DeWorken, to approve second and final reading of agenda items 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 11g, 11h, 11i and 11j of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (Ordinances – Second and Final Reading)

- a. Ordinance to rezone approximately 0.38 acre of real property located at 706 Hampton Avenue from RH-D, House D District, to RN-A, Neighborhood A District (Tax Map Number 0027000102800) (Z-14-2025)

- b. Ordinance to amend Chapter 19 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Greenville by establishing an Entertainment District Overlay and to amend the Official Zoning Map by applying the Overlay District to properties situated between McBee Avenue, College Street/Beattie Place, Spring Street, and Richardson Street (Z-15-2025) (REVISED)
- c. Ordinance to rezone approximately 91.96 acres of real property comprising of an area commonly known as the Haynie-Sirrine Neighborhood located on South Church Street, University Ridge, Howe Street, Harris Street, Claussen Avenue, Thruston Street, Augusta Street, McHan Street, Seawright Lane, Haynie Street, Chicora Avenue, Enoree Street, Dixon Street, McKay Street, Urban Street, Chapin Street, Pearl Avenue, Fred Garrett Street, Cedar Street, Springer Street, Francis Street, Wakefield Street, Briar Street, Cleveland Street, Biltmore Drive, Rose Avenue, Houston Street, Watts Avenue, Watts Court, and Tindal Avenue (Z-16-2025)
- d. Ordinance to rezone approximately 0.02 acre of real property located at 514 Arlington Avenue from RN-B, Neighborhood B District, to RNX-B, Neighborhood Flex B District (Tax Map Number 0078000400800) (Z-17-2025)
- e. Ordinance to annex approximately 0.17 acre of real property located at 25 North Vance Street and to provide the zoning designation of RH-D, House D District (Tax Map Number 0123000102100) (AX-34-2025)
- f. Ordinance to annex approximately 0.34 acre of real property and 0.02 acre of adjacent right-of-way located at 170 Otis Street and to provide the zoning designation of RH-D, House D District (Tax Map Number 0106000301300) (AX-36-2025)
- g. Ordinance to annex approximately 19.96 acres of real property and 10.18 acres of adjacent right-of-way located at 31 Victor Street and 300 Hammett Street, and to provide for the zoning designation of IX, Industrial Flex District (Tax Map Numbers 0153000100100, 0153000100101, and 0153001000100) (AX-37-2025)
- h. Ordinance to annex approximately 2.43 acres of real property and 0.39 acre of adjacent right-of-way located at 4 and 10 Alexander Street, and to provide the zoning designation of IX, Industrial Flex District (Tax Map Numbers 0150000200101 and 0150000200300) (AX-38-2025)
- i. Ordinance to annex approximately 1.11 acres of real property located at 214 North Duvall Drive and to provide the zoning designation of BH, Business Heavy District (Tax Map Number 0272000101501) (AX-39-2025)
- j. Ordinance to appropriate \$254,581 in the Capital Projects Fund to recognize additional proceeds from the sale of the Municipal Court building and to recognize loss of previously appropriated grant funding related to the renovation of the Halton Road Public Safety Campus and Municipal Complex

12. NEW BUSINESS – (Ordinance – First Reading)
None

- 13. NEW BUSINESS – (Resolutions – First and Final Reading)**
None

REGULAR AGENDA

- 14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (Ordinances – Second and Final Reading)**
None

- 15. NEW BUSINESS – (Ordinances – First Reading)**
None

- 16. NEW BUSINESS – (Resolution – First and Final Reading)**
None

17. STAFF REPORTS

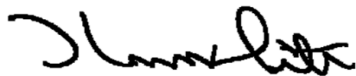
City Manager Shannon Lavrin provided information on the following items:

- a. Hall of Fame. Ms. Lavrin congratulated Community Centers Manager LaQuan Priest for his induction to the Claflin University Hall of Fame for his accomplishments in Track and Field.
- b. 30th Anniversary. Ms. Lavrin congratulated Mayor White on his 30 years of service as the Mayor of the city of Greenville and shared a video highlighting Mayor White's accomplishments.

18. Individuals Addressing Council regarding items not on the Agenda

Clarence Thornton, 114 Douthit Street, spoke to express concern regarding homelessness and criticize recent legislation addressing public camping.

- 19. ADJOURN.** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.



KNOX H. WHITE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



CAMILLA G. PITMAN, MMC, Certified PLS
CITY CLERK