

**CONWAY CITY COUNCIL BUDGET RETREAT
SANTEE COOPER WAMPEE CONFERENCE CENTER
PINOPOLIS, SOUTH CAROLINA
MARCH 2-4, 2017**

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2017, 1:30 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Barbara Blain-Bellamy, Mayor Pro Tem Randle Alford, Council Members Jean Timbes and Larry A. White.

STAFF: Bill Graham, City Administrator; Vicky Lefler, Deputy City Administrator; Allison Williams, Finance Director; Lynn Smith, Human Resource Director; and Debbie F. Smith, City Clerk

The following items were discussed during the first day of Council's annual Budget Retreat:

- Reviewed the Fund Balance Projections – Total projected budget \$38,952,396.80 and the General Fund Reserve was projected at \$18,892,562.00.
- FY 17-18 Grant Requests received
- Capital requests of each department.
- Projected revenue and expenses of Fifth & Main, a proposed rental agreement with Conway Downtown Alive for the operation and list of rules for the facility.
- Travel reimbursement guidelines
- Personnel – requested new positions and personnel costs
- Employee Christmas bonus increase
- Police Department Staffing & Incentives (Recruitment/Retention)

Council Members Thomas Anderson II, Ashley Smith, and William M. Goldfinch IV arrived after the meeting was called to order.

The meeting was recessed until 8:30 a.m., on Friday, March 3, 2017.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2017, 8:30 AM

PRESENT: Mayor Barbara Blain-Bellamy, Mayor Pro-Tem Randle Alford, Council Members William M. Goldfinch IV, Ashley Smith, Jean Timbes, and Larry A. White. **ABSENT:** Council Member Thomas J. Anderson II

STAFF: Bill Graham, City Administrator; Vicky Lefler, Deputy City Administrator; Allison Williams, Finance Director; Lynn Smith, Human Resource Director, and Debbie F. Smith, City Clerk

The following items were discussed during the second day at Council's annual Budget Retreat:

- Proposed FEMA Buyout Program
- The City retaining copies of Conway City schools safety plans.
- Forming a Recycling Committee
- Staffing the Conway Marina store
- Implementation of a new youth program at the Recreation Center
- Increase in Rivertown Tennis Center membership fees
- Naming of the Recreation Complex and baseball fields
- Celebration of Lights revenue and expenses
- Crabtree Greenway walking trail
- Condition of Smith Jones Park
- Increase in monthly water and solid waste rates.
- Review of requests from non-profit organizations from the hospitality fund.

The meeting was recessed until 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 4, 2017.

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2017, 8:30 AM

PRESENT: Mayor Barbara Blain-Bellamy, Mayor Pro-Tem Randle Alford, Council Members William M. Goldfinch IV, Ashley Smith, Jean Timbes, and Larry A. White **ABSENT:** Council Member Thomas J Anderson II

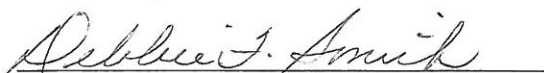
STAFF: Bill Graham, City Administrator; Vicky Lefler, Deputy City Administrator; Allison Williams, Finance Director; Lynn Smith, Human Resource Director, and Debbie F. Smith, City Clerk

The following items were discussed during the final day of Council's annual Budget Retreat:

- Council's Input on Goals for the FY 2017-2018 budget.
- Procedure for demolition of condemned property by the City.
- Plans to update City Council photographs
- Reviewed the proposed budget considerations and the setting of priorities for FY 2018-19

There being no further business, the budget retreat was adjourned.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes approved by City Council this 17th day of July, 2017.


Debbie F. Smith, City Clerk