

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

**Monday, June 26, 2023  
3:30 p.m.**

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

**MINUTES**

CITY COUNCIL: Mayor Knox White and Councilmembers John M. DeWorken, Lillian B. Flemming, Kenneth C. Gibson, Wil Brasington, Russell H. Stall, and Dorothy H. Dowe

CITY STAFF: City Attorney Leigh B. Paoletti; City Clerk Camilla G. Pitman

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

**Traffic Management / Intelligent Transportation System (ITS)**

Engineering Services Director Clint Link provided a presentation as included in Council's agenda packet and stated the project began last year. Mr. Link provided an overview of the Department's 18 employees and annual budget as well as the work the City performs, including maintaining 206 signals and approximately 10,000 signs as well as installing pavement markings.

Councilmember Brasington stated while public safety and emergency response is two of the most important items, he receives calls every day on many of the other goals and objectives listed as well.

Councilmember Dowe referred to only 10% percent of the signals being owned by the City. Mr. Link stated that the City coordinates with SCDOT and performs much of the maintenance on the DOT signals by agreement. Mr. Link advised that the speed signals cost approximately \$4,200 each and they are installed internally by staff.

Mr. Link provided information regarding investments in traffic management from the City and the South Carolina Department of Transportation, the impact of the Neighborhood Investment Bond (NIB), and referenced to other key investments.

Councilmember Brasington asked what other aspirations peer cities are pursuing and are we receiving all the funding the SCDOT can provide to the City. Mr. Link responded that he believes the City is capitalizing on all the funding it can. Mr. Link stated that SCDOT is currently working on a master plan as well.

Mr. Link provided a summary of information on the ITS Master Plan, including objectives and recommendations for the following: (1) telecommunications, (2) signal operations and maintenance, (3) traffic monitoring, (4) field infrastructure, (5) emerging technologies, and, (6) transportation management.

Councilmember Dowe stated a NIB was needed because we have not kept up, and she added this is a huge investment. Councilmember Dowe stated going forward it needs to be a part of the operating budget. Traffic Engineering Manager Valerie Holmes assisted with providing information regarding each of the six objectives.

Mr. Link reviewed projects scheduled for the Central Business District, Stone Avenue, Augusta Street, and North Pleasantburg Drive. Ms. Holmes and Council discussed the traffic center and the capabilities it will provide once it is up and running.

Councilmember Dowe asked if the City could tie the energy to the master plan with work to improve certain intersections. Ms. Holmes responded that it is difficult to add a performance measure to a study. Mr. Link stated that when a development comes in, they will evaluate the level of service and work to improve performance measures.

**Motion - Executive Session**

During the open Work Session, Mayor White asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. City Attorney Leigh Paoletti recommended going into executive session under S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2) to discuss a proposed public/private partnership requiring a contractual agreement and an update on negotiations regarding a proposed contract for the purchase of property in the Westend and under (a)(5) to discuss two proposed economic development incentives known as Project Power and Lima One.

Councilmember Gibson moved, seconded by Councilmember Flemming, to go into Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously.

(Executive Session)

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

With no further discussions, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Camilla G. Pitman, MMC, Certified PLS  
City Clerk

Meeting notice posted on June 23, 2023.