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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

80 Broad Street
City Hall, First Floor Conference Room
Tuesday, January 28, 2020
2:00 p.m.

Mayor John J. Tecklenburg
Councilmember Peter Shahid, Chair
Councilmember Michael Seekings, Vice Chair
Councilmember Jason Sakran
Councilmember Kevin Shealy

AGENDA

1. Moment of Silence

2. Approval of minutes

   - January 21, 2020 *(Deferred)*

3. Fire Station #11 Update

4. Executive Session in accordance with Section 30-4-70(a)(2) of the South Carolina Code to receive legal advice relating to Fire Station #11 if necessary

5. A Resolution urging the South Carolina General Assembly to adopt H. 3063, "Hate Bill." *(Requested by Councilmember Perry K. Waring)*

6. Adjournment

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RESOLUTION

URGING THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ADOPT H. 3063, "HATE BILL."

WHEREAS, according to the Federal Bureau of Investigations, in 2017 hate crimes across the United States rose by 17 percent and nearly three out of five incidents were related to race and ethnicity ("Incident, Offenses, Victims, and Known Offenders by Bias Motivation, 2017"); and

WHEREAS, City Council adopted the Hate Intimidation Ordinance set forth in Sec. 21-1 of the Code of the City of Charleston which provides penalties for persons convicted of a crime set forth in Chapter 21 of the Code with the intent to intimidate another person because of the actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, ancestry, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental disability, or national origin; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina is one of only five states in the United States that does not have any laws on hate crimes; and

WHEREAS, H. 3063 is currently being considered by the House Judiciary Committee; and

WHEREAS, H. 3063 provides penalties for a person convicted of a crime with the intent to assault, intimidate, or threaten a person because of his or her race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, sexual orientation, or homelessness; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens and visitors of the City of Charleston by urging the South Carolina General Assembly to support H. 3063, "Hate Crime Bill."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Charleston City Council urges the South Carolina General Assembly to support H. 3063, "Hate Crime Bill."

RESOLVED this 28th day of January 2020, in City Council Chambers.

John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor
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ATTEST:

Vanessa Turner Maybank,
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