

## COUNCIL CHAMBER

Special Meeting

August 26, 2019

A Special Meeting of City Council of Charleston was held August 26, 2019 convening at 1:20 p.m. at City Hall.

A notice of this meeting and an agenda were made available on the City's website on August 23, 2019.

### PRESENT (12)

The Honorable John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor

Councilmember White	District 1	Councilmember Waring	District 7
Councilmember Shealy	District 2	Councilmember Seekings	District 8
Councilmember Lewis	District 3	Councilmember Shahid	District 9
Councilmember Mitchell	District 4	Councilmember Griffin	District 10
Councilmember Wagner	District 5	Councilmember Moody ( <i>absent</i> )	District 11
Councilmember Gregorie	District 6	Councilmember Jackson	District 12

Mayor Tecklenburg called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m.

The Clerk called the roll.

Mayor Tecklenburg said, "Councilmember Mitchell, would you please lead us in an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance?"

Councilmember Mitchell opened the meeting with an invocation.

Councilmember Mitchell then led City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Tecklenburg said, "First up is Council Committee Reports, Committee on Ways and Means. Councilmember White."

Councilmember White said, "I'll move for the adoption of the report."

Councilmember Shahid said, "Second."

Mayor Tecklenburg said, "We have a second. Is there any discussion?"

No one asked to speak.

On a motion of Councilmember White, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, City Council voted to adopt the Committee on Ways and Means Report as amended:

- Executive session to receive legal advice related to a proposed contractual matter pursuant to S.C. Code Sec.30-4-70(a). Action may or may not be taken.
- Housing and Community Development: Grant permission to the Department of Housing and Community Development staff to submit a proposal to High Ridge Costa, Inc. for the acquisition of Bridgeview Apartments located @ 108 Romney Street in Charleston, SC
- Prioritize the Septima Clark drainage project grant application over the Low Battery seawall grant application **(Councilmembers Lewis, Seekings, Shahid, and Jackson voted nay. Mayor Tecklenburg abstained.)**
- Stormwater Management: Approval to apply for the SIB financial assistance program in support of the \$64,000,000 Low Battery Seawall project. The application is requesting \$32,000,000 in SIB funds with a 50/50 City match of \$32,000,000. The application will be submitted on August 29, 2019 to meet the deadline on September 1, 2019. The City currently has \$23,000,000 of the required match. With approval of this grant, City Council is committing future allocations of Municipal Accommodations Tax and Hospitality fees over the next 10 years to meet the total match requirement. **(The vote was not unanimous. Councilmembers Shealy, Waring, and Griffin voted nay on Item 4 of the report.)**
- Stormwater Management: Approval to request additional funding from the State Infrastructure Bank for the Spring / Fishburne Drainage project and allocate City matching funds as amended to submit a request for additional 2019 funds. **(The vote was not unanimous. Mayor Tecklenburg and Councilwoman Jackson voted nay on Item 5 of the report.)**

The vote was not unanimous. Councilmembers Lewis, Seekings, Shahid, and Jackson voted nay regarding the prioritization of the Septima Clark drainage project grant application and Mayor Tecklenburg abstained. Councilmembers Shealy, Waring, and Griffin voted nay on Item 4 of the report. Mayor Tecklenburg and Councilwoman Jackson voted nay on Item 5 of the report.

Mayor Tecklenburg said, "The next meeting of City Council will be on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> right here at City Hall. Is there any further business to come before us today?"

No one asked to speak.

Mayor Tecklenburg said, "If not, we stand adjourned."

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

Vanessa Turner Maybank  
Clerk of Council