

**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2021 6:00 P.M. ZOOM**

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Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81485443141?pwd=TitDdlQSDJnR255SU1FS1Z2ejNaQT09>

Meeting ID: 814 8544 3141 Passcode: 363503 or dial in 1-929-205-6099

The following members were present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro-Tempore, Grant Bumgarner, Rick Floyd, Kelly Byers, Brantly Vest, Shaniece Criss, and Sara Gilstrap. Also present were: Eric Vinson, City Administrator, Charlene Carter, Ben Ford, Police Chief, Greg Robertson, Fire Chief, Phillip Tate, PW Director, Brennan Williams, Planning Director. The media were notified, and 26 participants logged into the meeting.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. OTHER BUSINESS

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember Criss

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on December 17, 2020. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Criss and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

1. Chantal Patton
323 Watson Road
Travelers Rest, SC
Ms. Patton presented concerns and questions she has about the Staytion Project TR 20-09 Annexation.

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

1. Councilmember Vest made the motion for second reading of the Ordinance O-01-21 to Annex and Rezone TR 2020-08 Hawkins Road Tax Map No. 0503020103701, 0503020103710, 050302103706, 0503020103707. Councilmember Byers seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided the Public Works committee approved minutes for the prior month. The report discussion included the replacement sidewalk at Midwood, litter pick up quantities and Recycle Cart roll out for March.

Chair Floyd provided the summary for Public Safety Committee meeting held and approved the minutes for the prior month.

Chair Vest called on Director Williams for the Planning and Development report. Director Williams provided the monthly report which included a new development report to provide details of projects permitted, stage of development, applications for development and short-term rentals.

Director Williams presented plans and application request for TR 20-09 Old Buncombe Road re-zoning and annexation. A motion was made to send to full Council.

The Ways and Means committee did not meet for committee. Chair Bumgarner made a motion to approve the December 2020 financial report. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

H. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

1. Councilmember Vest made the motion for first reading of the Ordinance O-03-21 to Annex and Rezone TR 20-09 Old Buncombe Road Tax Map No. 0484000100808 and 0485000101323 to Zoning classification Flexible Review District with annexation into the City. He also stated the Planning Commission and Staff recommended with the following conditions as well:

Conditions required:

1. Each proposed building must meet its individual off-street parking requirements prior to the issuance of a Building Permit. Buildings may be phased.

2. A Temporary Use Permit is required for events with 50 or more guests on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday to detail parking plans and provide a local contact,
3. All pervious stone paving material must be engineered with a honeycomb support or comparable support system to ensure stone material remains in place,
4. All structures must be setback 12.5 feet from the property line along the Swamp Rabbit Trail on Parcel 1 (0485000101323),
5. All structures must be setback 20 feet from the property line along the Swamp Rabbit Trail on Parcel 2 (0484000100808),
6. The cottages must be managed and maintained by a property manager on-site or located within 30 minutes of the property. The property manager's contact information must be kept on file with the City of Travelers Rest,
7. All structures must be setback 30 feet from the property line along the southern property line. This is the same property line along Hillside Creek, and
8. The applicant must conduct a traffic study in consultation with the South Carolina Department of Transportation and must include the Edwards Road, Old Buncombe Road, and Highway 276 intersections.

Councilmember Vest made the motion to approve the annexation and rezoning and Councilmember Bumgarner made the second. Councilmember Choplin put forth a number of concerns and voted no, all other member voted yes.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

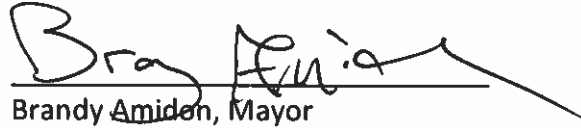
Councilmember Byers made the motion to appoint Mr. Nathan Brown to the Board of Zoning Appeals to fill the vacated seat of Phillip Smith. The term ends December 31, 2022. Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

None

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin and carried unanimously. Concluded 6:38 pm.


Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by


Charlene Carter, City Clerk & Treasurer

Reviewed by


Eric Vinson, City Administrator

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1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. OTHER BUSINESS

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember Vest

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on January 21, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Criss and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Ms. Imma Nwobodu Greenville County Redevelopment Authority Annual Action Plan Presentation. She provided an overview of the organization, CDBG funding and projects in Travelers Rest. The proposed budget for FY 2021 is \$76,692 and may change with additional resources available. During FY 2020 GCRA assisted 959 households with rent/mortgage/utilities. No questions or discussion were presented.

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

None

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

1. Councilmember Vest made the motion for second reading Ordinance O-03-21 to Annex and Rezone TR 20-09 Old Buncombe Road Tax Map No. 0484000100808 and 0485000101323 to Zoning classification Flexible Review District with annexation into the City. The Ordinance includes 8 conditions approved by Council also. Councilmember Bumgarner made the second. Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin raised concerns with the project regarding road concerns and traffic study.
The Council voted six in favor, one no and one absent. The motion passed.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided the Public Works committee approved minutes for the prior month. The report discussion Recycle Cart roll out for March.

Chair Floyd provided the summary for Public Safety Committee meeting held and approved the minutes for the prior month.

Chair Vest called on Director Williams for the Planning and Development report. Director Williams provided the monthly report including details of projects permitted, stage of development, applications for development and short-term rentals.

The Ways and Means committee did meet for committee. Chair Bumgarner made the motion to send FY 21 Budget Amendment including General Fund, Accommodations, Hospitality and Sewer on to full Council for first reading.

Chair Bumgarner made a motion to approve the February 2021 financial report. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

H. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider first reading of the Ordinance O-04-21 to Amend the General Fund Budget for FY 2020-2021. Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin made the second and motion carried unanimously.
2. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider first reading of the Ordinance O-05-21 to Amend the Local Hospitality and Local Accommodations Budget for FY 2020-2021. Councilmember Floyd seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.
3. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider first reading of the Ordinance O-06-21 to Amend the Sewer System Operations Budget for FY 2020-2021. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.

4. Mayor Amidon introduced and motioned for first reading of the Ordinance O-07-21 to Revise/Repeal sections of the City Code. Councilmember Floyd seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.
5. Councilmember Bumgarner made the motion to approve reading of the Resolution R-01-21 Allocation of Greenville County CDBG and Home Funds for FY 2021-2022. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.
6. Councilmember Floyd made the motion for reading of Resolution R-02-21 Appointment of Fire Chief. Councilmember Choplin made the second and motion carried unanimously. Mr. James "Mac" McMakin is appointed City of Travelers Rest Fire Chief from February 23-March 30, 2021.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS


None

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Reminder of Joint Workshop on February 25, 2021 and New Fire Truck has arrived.

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin and carried unanimously. Concluded 7:21 pm.



Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by



Charlene Carter, City Clerk & Treasurer

Reviewed by



Eric Vinson, City Administrator

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A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin called the meeting to order
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. OTHER BUSINESS

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember Floyd

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Councilmember George made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on February 18, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Floyd and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

1. A Public Hearing was held for the Budget Amendment for FY 2021. No public comments were made.

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

None

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider second reading of the Ordinance O-04-21 to Amend the General Fund Budget for FY 2020-2021. Councilmember George made the second and motion carried unanimously.

2. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider second reading of the Ordinance O-05-21 to Amend the Local Hospitality and Local Accommodations Budget for FY 2020-2021. Councilmember Floyd seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.
3. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider second reading of the Ordinance O-06-21 to Amend the Sewer System Operations Budget for FY 2020-2021. Councilmember George seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.
4. Councilmember Byers motioned for second reading of the Ordinance O-07-21 to Revise/Repeal sections of the City Code. Councilmember Gilstrap seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided the Public Works committee approved minutes for the prior month. The only discussion included Recycle Cart roll out.

Chair Floyd provided the summary for Public Safety Committee meeting held and approved the minutes for the prior month.

Chair Vest called on Director Williams for the Planning and Development report. Director Williams provided the monthly report including details of projects permitted, stage of development, applications for development and short-term rentals.

Chair Bumgarner stated the Ways and Means Committee did not meet in March, however the Council did receive the February financial report. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to approve the February 2021 financial report. Councilmember Floyd seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

H. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

1. Councilmember Vest made the motion for first reading of the Ordinance O-08-21 to Rezone TR 21-02 6709 State Park Road from C-1 to PD-R tax map No. 0485000100200. The ordinance includes a condition for dwellings limited to no more than two stories in height from the front of the dwelling. Director Williams advised the addition and change will follow the same phase development as the rest of the project. Councilmember Byers made the second and carried unanimously.
2. Councilmember Byers made the motion for first reading of the Ordinance O-10-21 to prohibit through trucks on Roe Road between Old Buncombe Road and Hwy. 25. Councilmember George made the second and carried unanimously. The Council was advised signage will be posted and service trucks to businesses will not be impacted.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Floyd made the motion to enter Executive Session to discuss Fire Personnel (section 30-4-70.1). Councilmember George seconded the motion and carried unanimously. Councilmember Floyd made the motion to return from Executive Session and Councilmember Bumgarner made the second and motion carried unanimously. Councilmember Floyd made the comment no vote was taken while in Executive Session and then made a motion for Administrator Vinson to complete Fire Chief Greg Robertson re-hire process. Councilmember Bumgardner seconded the motion and carried unanimously. Councilmember Floyd read Resolution R-03-21 and made a motion to approve. Councilmember Bumgarner made the second and the Resolution was approved unanimously.

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

New Fire Truck induction on March 26, 2021 at 9 am. Administrator Vinson provided an update on Recycle Cart roll out and requests.

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin and carried unanimously. Concluded 6:48 pm.


Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro Tempore

Completed by


Charlene Carter, City Clerk & Treasurer

Reviewed by


Eric Vinson, City Administrator

Agenda
City of Travelers Rest Municipal Election Commission
March 15, 2021 10:30 am-noon
City Hall Council Chambers

1. Call to Order Chair Wilson
2. Review County provided documents
3. Discuss Proposed agreement
4. Review Meeting schedule, Election Schedule, Important Dates
5. Adjournment Chair Wilson

May, 1980

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Election Commission has advised the Greenville County Council that it would be in the best interest of Greenville County if all elections in the County, other than those now held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November in even-numbered years, were held on the same date in odd-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, under existing law the Greenville County Council has authority to alter the election dates of commissioners of special service districts so as to provide a uniform election date; but

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21-2803 of the 1962 South Carolina Code of Laws as last amended by Act No. 737 of 1976, trustees of the Greenville County School District are elected for staggered four-year terms on the second Tuesday in February of the even-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, under their city codes, the mayors, councilmen, and other elected officials of the cities of Greenville and Mauldin are elected on the third Tuesday in May of the odd-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, elected officials of the cities of City View and Travelers Rest are elected on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the odd-numbered years, but elected officials of Greer, Simpsonville, and Fountain Inn are elected on the first Tuesday in November in the odd-numbered years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Greenville County Council in meeting duly assembled that the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina be requested to amend Section 21-2803 of the 1962 South Carolina Code of Laws, as last amended by Act No. 737 of 1976, so as to provide that the members of the Board of Trustees of the Greenville County School District representing the even-numbered years be elected on the first Tuesday in November in the odd-numbered years;

areas shall serve until their successors are elected in the election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1983, and those members elected from the odd-numbered areas shall serve until their successors are elected in the election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1985, and thereafter, upon the expiration of the term of each member of the Board, his successor shall be elected for a term of four years at an election to be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November in each four year anniversary thereafter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the city councils of the cities of Greenville and Mauldin be requested to amend their city codes so as to provide for election of their mayors, councilmen, and other elected officials on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the odd-numbered years, beginning with the first elections which will not cause the terms of any incumbent officials to be shortened; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the city councils of Greer, Simpsonville and Fountain Inn be requested to amend their city codes so as to provide for the election of their mayors, councilmen, and other elected officials on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the odd-numbered years.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS 6th DAY OF MAY, 1980.

Melvin M. P.
Chairman, Greenville County Council

Frank Ellenburg
County Administrator

ATTEST:

Mary L. Turner
Clerk, Greenville County Council



Greenville County

May 18, 1981

Mrs. Nelle Power
Registration and Election
Courthouse Annex
Greenville, S.C. 29601

Dear Nelle:

On May 6, 1980, Greenville County Council adopted a resolution to provide for a uniform election date for all special service district commissioners, School District trustees and municipal elected officials. Under this unified election date, Greenville County would pay the cost of conducting the elections.

Sincerely,

Mary T. Turner, Clerk
Greenville County Council

/t

AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE FIRST TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER OF EACH ODD-NUMBERED YEAR AS A UNIFORM DATE FOR HOLDING ELECTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF GOVERNING BODIES OF SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICTS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL:

Section 1. Definition. As used herein, a "special service district" shall mean a district, having its own elected governing body, which was created either by act of the General Assembly or ordinance of Greenville County Council to provide proprietary services such as fire protection, water supply, electric lighting, public health services, sewerage, and police protection, in a defined area of Greenville County which is not included within the boundaries of any incorporated city or town. The term shall not include districts which are located partially in Greenville County and partially in another county or counties.

Section 2. Uniform Election Dates. Beginning in the year 1981, members of the governing bodies of special service districts who are elected under existing laws or ordinances shall be elected in an election to be held on the First Tuesday after the first Monday ^{in November} in each odd-numbered year. Such election shall be conducted by the Greenville County Election Commission, and candidates shall qualify in accordance with the requirements of the general law of the state or the enabling legislation for their particular district, whichever may be applicable.

Section 3. Extension and Commencement of Terms. To permit all members of the governing bodies of special service districts to be elected on the uniform date specified in Section 2 above, terms of incumbent members shall be extended as follows: for those whose terms expire at any time during 1981, such terms shall be extended to December 31, 1981; for those whose terms expire in 1983, such terms shall be extended to December 31, 1983; and for those whose terms expire in 1985, such terms shall be extended to December 31, 1985. Terms of newly elected members shall commence on the first day of January in the year following their election.

Section 4. Authority. This ordinance is authorized by Section 6-11-70 of the 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

Section 5. Time Effective. This ordinance shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS 3rd DAY OF March, 1981.

H Michael Spruill
Chairman

Frank Ellenburg
County Administrator

ATTEST:

Mary L. Turner
Clerk

June, 1991

County of Greenville

MEMORANDUM

TO: W. J. ESTABROOK, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
FROM: NELLE G. POWER, ADMINISTRATOR, REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS *NLP*
SUBJECT: SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT ELECTIONS
DATE: JUNE 10, 1991

On May 6, 1980, upon the recommendation of the Greenville County Election Commission, the Greenville County Council adopted a resolution to provide for a uniform election date for all special service district commissioners, school district trustees, and municipal elected officials. Under this unified election date, Greenville County would pay the cost of conducting the elections.

This recommendation made in order to:

1. improve the election process
2. reduce the cost of elections
3. generate more interest in elections
4. avoid confusion for the electorate, candidates, poll workers, and in the administration of elections

The Board of Trustees of the Greenville County School District made a decision to have their election at the time of the November General Election.

On March 3, 1981, the Greenville County Council passed Ordinance No. 880 specifying the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in each odd-numbered year as the uniform election date for special service district commissioners and municipal elected officials.

The cost of the special service district portion of the November 7, 1989 elections was approximately \$7,025.00.

Expectations when working with the County Election office (with the County conducting the election for the municipality under previous agreement with County). Items can change as per agreement between County Election office and municipality.

Election preparations for any Town or City:

- I. Poll worker recruitment (certified and qualified) by County
- II. Establish number of voting machines to be used by County
- III. Polling places secured (with Clerk's help)
- IV. Public Notice prepared and sent to newspaper (Clerk handles)
- V. Preparation of candidate listing for ballot and ballot issues by County
- VI. Order election list from State Election Commission - County
- VII. Filing for offices to be conducted – Clerk will handle
- VIII. Clerk transmits to County Election office, candidates to be placed on ballot
- IX. Absentee voting process handled by County Voter Registration Offices BY LAW.
- X. All election supplies, processes, and coordination of materials handled by County office.
- XI. Poll worker pick-up or delivery of materials, ballots, and machines coordinated by County office.
- XII. Almost all 'election day' problems will be handled by County office, unless it is necessary for the Municipal Commission to become involved. Clerk should be main contact for County and MEC
- XIII. After polls close, all ballots, materials and equipment are returned to County Election Commission - IMMEDIATELY. RESULTS ARE TABULATED IMMEDIATELY AND RESULTS ARE TRANSMITTED TO THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION COMMISSION (UNOFFICIAL RESULTS). Clerk should be main contact here.
- XIV. Unless addressed in City ordinances, certification will be on Friday, usually at 12 noon, but surely before 1 P.M., the Municipal Election Commission meets at the county office to officially certify the results of the Election. Clerk should see that MEC knows and attends. Reason for the County Square meeting place is that ALL election material is at that location and if any questions arise, the material that has be secured at the County office is available.
- XV. If protests are filed, all is handled by the Municipal Election Commission of municipality. Clerk coordinates (with assistance from the County office).

AGREEMENT
Greenville County Elections
And
City of Travelers Rest

Greenville County Election Office conducts all elections for the City of Travelers Rest. The listed items below are designated by roles and responsibilities. Items may change per mutual agreement between the County Election Office and the City.

Election process for The City of Travelers Rest:

- I. Poll worker recruitment -certified and qualified by County
- II. Establish number of voting machines to be used by County
- III. Polling places secured-with City Clerk Assistance
- IV. Public Notice prepared and sent to newspaper-City Clerk
- V. Preparation of candidate listing for ballot and ballot issued by County
Approved by City
- VI. Order election list from State Election Commission - County
- VII. Filing for offices to be conducted – City Clerk
- VIII. Clerk transmits to County Election office, candidates to be placed on ballot-MEC/Clerk
- IX. Absentee voting process handled by County Voter Registration Offices BY LAW.
- X. All election supplies, processes, and coordination of materials handled by County office
- XI. Poll worker pick-up or delivery of materials, ballots, and machines coordinated by County office with the City Clerk
- XII. Almost all 'election day' problems will be handled by County office unless it is necessary for the Municipal Commission to become involved. City Clerk should be main contact for County and MEC
- XIII. MEC & Clerk perform precinct visits and review process throughout Election Day
- XIV. After polls close, all ballots, materials and equipment are returned to County Election Commission - IMMEDIATELY. RESULTS ARE TABULATED IMMEDIATELY AND RESULTS ARE TRANSMITTED TO THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION COMMISSION (UNOFFICIAL RESULTS) City Clerk should be main contact
- XV. XIV. Per City ordinances certification will be on Friday, usually at 12 noon, but surely before 1 P.M. The Municipal Election Commission and the City Clerk will meet at the County office to officially certify the results of the Election. ALL election materials are located at the County and if any questions arise, the materials are secure and available.
- XVI. If protests are filed, all will be handled by the Municipal Election Commission(MEC) of the City of Travelers Rest. City Clerk coordinates with the County.

Greenville County Elections Director

Date: _____

Elections Office Witness

Date: _____

City of Travelers Rest City Clerk

Date: _____

MEC Chair

Commissioner

Commissioner

City of Travelers Rest Municipal Election Commission

City Administrator
City of Travelers Rest

Date: _____



Registration and Election Office

Alfreda Parks, Administrative Assistant
(864) 467-7260
aparks@greenvillecounty.org

Date: March 11, 2021

To: Municipal Clerks
From: Alfreda Parks
Date: February 22, 2021
RE: Candidate Filing Dates

Below are the Municipals Candidate Filing Dates. Please check your dates for accuracy. If there are any errors, please correct and email the correct dates.

City of Greenville	March 16 th – March 30 th	Noon
City of Fountain Inn	July 15 th – August 16 th	Noon
City of Greer	July 15 th – August 16 th	Noon
City of Mauldin	July 15 th – August 16 th	Noon
City of Simpsonville	July 15 th – August 16 th	Noon
City of Travelers Rest	July 15 th – August 16 th	Noon
County of Greenville (Public Service Districts)	July 15 th – August 16 th	Noon

Thank You,

Alfreda

Alfreda Parks
Administrative Assistant
301 University Ridge.
Suite 1900
Greenville, SC 29601
(864) 467-7260 office

Statement of Intention of Candidacy - Nonpartisan

- This form must be completed by a candidate seeking nonpartisan office. Contact the receiving authority for filing deadlines.
- The S.C. Constitution prohibits a person who has been convicted of a felony from filing for public office for 15 years after the completion of the sentence, including probation and parole time, unless previously pardoned.

Name					
Office					
County or City	City of Travelers Rest	Election Date	November 2, 2021		
Address		City		Zip	
Email Address					
Telephone	Cell		Home		Work
Voter Registration Number					
Guidelines for a Candidate's Name to appear on the ballot: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A given name or a derivative may be used ▪ The name may not contain quotations, parentheses, or other distinguishing marks ▪ Nicknames are allowed if they are used in good faith for honest purposes and do not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Imply professional or social status ▪ Include an office or military rank ▪ Exceed 15 letters 					
Name as you wish it to appear on ballot (please print)					

Candidate's Oath	
I affirm I meet, or will meet by the time of the general or special election, the qualifications for this office.	
Candidate's Signature	

To be Completed by Receiving Authority				
Date Received		Time Received		Filing Fee Amount Paid
Received By		Receiving Authority		

Tentative Meeting Schedule

Time frame	Agenda
April-May	Agreement signed and complete, Notice of Election, Public Notice of Election
August	Review Candidate Statement of intent, candidate list, Ballot
October	Review election day engagement and responsibilities
November 2, 2021	Election

2021 Municipal Election for candidacy

Mayor seat and 4 Council member's seats

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A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. OTHER BUSINESS

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember Criss

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on April 15, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember George and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

None

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

1. Councilmember Vest made the motion for second reading of the Ordinance O-08-21 to Rezone TR 21-02 6709 State Park Road from C-1 to PD-R tax map No. 0485000100200. The ordinance includes a condition for dwellings limited to no more than two stories in height from the front of the dwelling. Director Williams advised the addition and change will follow the same phase development as the rest of the project. Councilmember Byers made the second and carried unanimously.

2. Councilmember Byers made the motion for second reading of the Ordinance O-10-21 to prohibit through trucks on Roe Road between Old Buncombe Road and Hwy. 25. Councilmember George made the second and carried unanimously. The Council was advised signage will be posted and service trucks to businesses will not be impacted

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided the Public Works committee approved minutes for the prior month.

Chair Floyd provided the summary for Public Safety Committee meeting held and approved the minutes for the prior month. The Public Safety Committee welcomed Fire Chief Robertson back and extended appreciation to Assistant Chief McMakin efforts as Chief. Fire calls have increased and are attributed to growth per the Chief. Chief Ford responded to Mayor Amidon about trail stop signs, yield signs and working with HOA's to educate on parking laws.

Chair Vest called on Director Williams for the Planning and Development report. Director Williams provided overview of planning report and Planning Commission meeting for March. He also provided an update on Hawkins Townhomes and upcoming neighborhood meeting for Krieger Drive property.

Chair Bumgarner stated the Ways and Means Committee did not meet in March, however the Council did receive the March financial report. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to approve the March 2021 financial report. Councilmember George seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

H. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

None

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

None

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman George and carried unanimously. Concluded 6:13 pm.

Brandy Amid Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by Charlene Carter Charlene Carter, City Clerk & Treasurer

Eric Vinson Eric Vinson, City Administrator

**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 20, 2021 6:00 P.M.**

The City has implemented changes to our Public Meetings due to COVID-19. We invite the public to join us by way of Facebook or in person. Please note we have a limited capacity in chambers of 15 additional attendees. You may connect by smart phone, tablet or computer and use this weblink: View on Facebook live <http://www.Facebook.com/DiscoverTravelersRest> (did not stream due technical issue)

The following members were present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro Tempore, Grant Bumgarner, Rick Floyd, Jeff George, Kelly Byers, Brantly Vest, Shaniece Criss, and Sara Gilstrap. Also, present were: Eric Vinson, City Administrator, Charlene Carter, Phillip Tate, PW Director, Ben Ford, Police Chief, Greg Robertson, Brennan Williams, Planning Director and Beth Sicignano. The media were notified and did not attend. There were 10 members of the public who attended.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. OTHER BUSINESS

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember Byers

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Councilmember Byers made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on April 15, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Criss and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

None

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

None

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided the summary for the Public Works committee meeting and approved minutes for the prior month. The meeting included Director Tate's update on trail widening and increase in residential recycling customers from 550 to 768.

Chair Floyd provided the summary for the Public Safety Committee meeting and approved the minutes for the prior month. The meeting included information on fire multi-jurisdictional training. Chief Ford advised Kayla Campbell passed the Police Academy and police is fully staffed.

Chair Vest called on Director Williams for the Planning and Development report. Director Williams provided an update of Trailview Townhomes completion. He advised Council of the requested rezoning for 409 Old Buncombe Rd.

Chair Bumgarner stated the Ways and Means Committee did meet twice in May and Council did receive the April financial report. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to approve the April 2021 financial report. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

H. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

1. Councilmember Vest made a motion to consider Ordinance O-11-21 to rezone 409 Old Buncombe Road from R-M, Multi-Family District to C-2, Commercial Development District. This property is a partial re-zone of .66 of the total 4.17 parcel and listed as tax map number 0486000103801. This rezoning was recommended by the Planning Commission and Staff. Councilmember Floyd made the second and carried unanimously.
2. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-13-21 to adopt FY 22 General Fund Budget to include the Rate Fee Schedule and CIP Plan. Councilmember Byers requested the discussion, Councilmember George made the second and a lengthy discussion ensued. Administrator Vinson provided details to include monthly billing option with Greenville Water for the sanitation fee, costs, and the option of adding on County tax bills. Administrator Vinson stated the City is the second highest in millage rates and said we do not have as much commercial industry revenue to influence the City's revenues. He also advised a mill is valued as \$23,000. Councilmember Criss and Vest asked why the growth revenue could not cover the expenses of new personnel? Councilmember Vest asked if the City could function with option 1 and stated he was not willing to impose the fee. Administrator Vinson advised option 2 included the addition of 4 new FTE positions including 2 Police Officers, 1 Permit licensing clerk and a Fire Marshall. Mayor Pro Tempore asked what are Greenville Water's cut off procedures because fixed income residents may not be able to pay the increasing bill? Councilmember Byers stated although she had some concerns, she believed administration had been creative with the options and she

avored the option for monthly billing to the residential addresses as opposed to the property tax holder. The discussion also included that 12 % of the tax bill for property owners is applied to pay for sanitation fees. Administrator Vinson stated option 2 was necessary to keep up with the demands of the City and the lack of police officers according to national poll. Councilmember Criss asked and motioned for an option to be explored of an incremental increase over the next 3 years. She also requested for billing amount to be reflective and adjusted with actual costs billed from Greater Greenville. Councilmember Bumgarner also requested the Ways and Means Committee meet again before second reading of the ordinance.

Councilmember George called the question. The motion of option two carried with Mayor Amidon, Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin, Councilmember's Bumgarner, Byers, George and Criss. Councilmembers Floyd, Vest and Gilstrap opposed the Ordinance. Motion passed 6 to 3.

3. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-14-21 to adopt FY 22 Local Hospitality and Local Accommodations Budget. Councilmember George seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
4. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-15-21 to adopt FY 22 Sewer Fund Budget. Councilmember George seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
5. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-16-21 to adopt FY 22 Victims Advocate Budget. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
6. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-17-21 to adopt General Obligation Bond Series 2021A and Series 2021B not to exceed \$125,000. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
7. Councilmember made the motion to consider Ordinance O-18-21 to adopt a Collection Fee for Solid Waste. Councilmember Byers made the second. Councilmember Criss again requested a possible amendment for second reading. The ordinance as presented tonight in favor with Mayor Amidon, Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin, Councilmember's Bumgarner, Byers, George and Criss. Councilmembers Floyd, Vest and Gilstrap opposed the Ordinance. Motion passed 6 to 3.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mr. Todd Highsmith from Highsmith & Highsmith , LLC CPA presented the City's annual audit for year ending June 30, 2020. Mr. Highsmith stated the overall function and

operations of the city financial process without issue and records provided. He also stated the City incurred a surplus of \$1,048,919 in governmental funds. The total debt for the City decreased by \$222,979. The City's governmental activities increased the City's net position by \$791, 067. He also provided analysis of Sewer system funds, retirement funds and employee compensated absences is estimated at \$377,034.

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Administrator Vinson updated Council on the Summer concert series and movies returning to Trailblazer Park.

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman George and carried unanimously.

Brandy Amidon Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by Charlene Carter Charlene Carter, City Clerk & Treasurer

Eric Vinson Eric Vinson, City Administrator

**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 17, 2021 6:00 P.M.**

The following members were present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro Tempore, Grant Bumgarner, Rick Floyd, Jeff George, Kelly Byers, Brantly Vest, Shaniece Criss, and Sara Gilstrap. Also, present were: Eric Vinson, City Administrator, Renee Smouse, Administrative Assistant, Phillip Tate, PW Director, Ben Ford, Police Chief, Greg Robertson, Fire Chief, Brennan Williams, Planning Director. The media were notified and Fox News was present. There were 23 members of the public who attended.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. INVOCATION

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember George

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Councilmember Criss made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on May 20, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

The following citizens addressed the council: Lisa Lane, Tom Low, Carey Morgan, Wayne McCall and Diane Mullinax.

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

None

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

1. Councilmember Vest made a motion to approve Ordinance O-11-21 to rezone 409 Old Buncombe Road from R-M, Multi-Family District to C-2, Commercial Development District. This property is a partial re-zone of .66 of the total 4.17 parcel and listed as tax map number 0486000103801. This rezoning was recommended by the Planning Commission and Staff. Councilmember Floyd seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

2. Councilmember Bumgarner made the motion to consider Ordinance O-18-21 to adopt a Collection Fee for Solid Waste with the amendment to adopt a \$6.00 fee. Councilmember George made the second. The ordinance was approved as amended with Mayor Amidon, Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin, and Councilmembers Bumgarner, George and Criss in favor. Councilmembers Floyd, Vest, Byers and Gilstrap opposed the Ordinance. Motion passed 5 to 4.
3. Councilmember Bumgarner made the motion to consider Ordinance O-13-21 to adopt FY 22 General Fund Budget as presented in the agenda packet to include a \$6.00 sanitation fee. The motion included adoption of the Rate Fee Schedule and 5-year CIP. Councilmember Choplin made the second. The ordinance was approved as amended with Mayor Amidon, Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin, and Councilmembers Bumgarner, Byers, George and Criss in favor. Councilmembers Floyd, Vest and Gilstrap opposed the Ordinance. Motion passed 6 to 3.
4. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-14-21 to adopt FY 22 Local Hospitality and Local Accommodations Budget. Councilmember George seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
5. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-15-21 to adopt FY 22 Sewer Fund Budget. Councilmember George seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
6. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-16-21 to adopt FY 22 Victims Advocate Budget. Councilmember Byers seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
7. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider Ordinance O-17-21 to adopt General Obligation Bond Series 2021A and Series 2021B not to exceed \$125,000. Mayor Pro Tempore Choplin seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided the summary for the Public Works committee meeting. The meeting included Director Tate advising committee that the widening of the trail has been completed.

Chair Floyd provided the summary for the Public Safety Committee meeting. Chief Ford reported that Officer Thomas Lite will attend the academy 7/18 and Officer Kayla Campbell is still in FTO training. Police are increasing their crosswalk monitoring.

Chair Vest called on Director Williams for the Planning and Development report. Director Williams explained the rezoning of 409 Old Buncombe Road was to clean up a split zoning situation.

Chair Bumgarner provided the summary for the Ways and Means Committee meeting. The May 2021 financial report was not available, therefore Chair Bumgarner moved for it to be on next month's council meeting agenda for approval.

H. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

Councilmember Vest gave a summary of actions on Rezoning Case # TR-21-08. He made a motion to deny the request. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

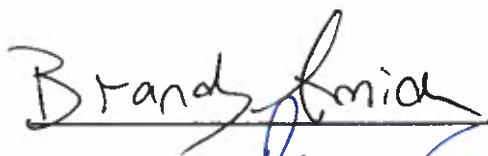
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K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

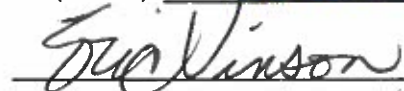
Administrator Vinson updated Council on the construction of the crosswalk at the corner of Roe Road and Main Street. He also updated Council that the construction of the crosswalk on Center Street and McIlhaney will begin in August. He informed Council that a new City Clerk has been hired, Lori Sondov. She will start on July 1.

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman George and carried unanimously.

 Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by  Renee Smouse, Administrative Assistant

 Eric Vinson, City Administrator

**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 15, 2021 6:00 P.M.**

The following members were present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro Tempore, Grant Bumgarner, Rick Floyd, Jeff George, Kelly Byers, Brantly Vest, Shaniece Criss, and Sara Gilstrap. Also, present were: Eric Vinson, City Administrator, Lori Sondov, City Clerk, Phillip Tate, PW Director, Ben Ford, Police Chief, Mac McMakin, Assistant Fire Chief, Brennan Williams, Planning Director. The media were notified. There were six members of the public who attended.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. INVOCATION

1. The invocation was given by Mayor Amidon

At this time, Mayor Amidon made a motion to amend tonight's agenda to include the following item: Consider Ordinance O-19-2021 to rezone a portion of 208 N. Poinsett Highway (Tax Map Number 0497000500300) from S-1, Service District, to R-M, Residential, Multi-family District. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bumgarner and carried unanimously.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on June 17, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Byers and carried unanimously.

At this time, Mayor Amidon introduced Lori Sondov as the new City Clerk and Treasurer for the City of Travelers Rest. Ms. Sondov previously served six years as the Deputy City Clerk for the City of Greenville.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

None

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

None

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided the summary for the Public Works committee meeting.

Chair Floyd provided the summary for the Public Safety Committee meeting. Police Chief Ford and Assistant Fire Chief McMakin provided updates to the committee.

Chair Bumgarner provided the summary for the Ways and Means Committee meeting. Chair Bumgarner made a motion to approve the May and June Financial Reports. Administrator Vinson stated the hospitality tax has been a pleasant surprise despite COVID. Chair Bumgarner thanked the City's Department heads and Administrator Vinson for their fiscal responsibility during COVID. The motion to approve the reports was seconded by Councilmember Byers and carried unanimously.

Chair Vest called on Director Williams for the Planning and Development report. Chair Vest stated Director Williams presented the report on the Planning Commission and said the committee heard about a redevelopment at 208 N. Poinsett Highway as well as amending the Planning Commission By-laws.

H. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

1. Mayor Amidon made a motion to consider Resolution R-4-21 to authorize Lori Sondov to sign checks, correspondence, and other documents on behalf of the City of Travelers Rest. Councilmember George seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
2. Councilmember Criss made a motion to consider Resolution R-5-21 to amend the Planning Commission By-laws. Councilmember Choplin seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
3. Councilmember Vest made a motion to consider Ordinance O-19-21 to rezone a portion of 208 N. Poinsett Highway (Tax Map Number 0497000500300) from S-1, Service District, to R-M, Residential, Multifamily District. Councilmember Bumgarner seconded the motion and discussion was held. Councilmember Choplin stated he did not believe Council had enough time to consider the Ordinance. Councilmember Vest agreed and added if Council approves first reading, it has a month to give the issue thought before the second reading is held. Councilmember Criss asked if the main concern is about the current residents who live in the mobile home park. Mayor Amidon clarified the rezoning is not for property where any mobile homes are currently located. The motion passed 5-4 with Mayor Amidon and Councilmembers Bumgarner, George, Vest, and Gilstrap voting in favor of it and Councilmembers Choplin, Floyd, Byers, and Criss voting against it.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Administrator Vinson stated he would be sending Council more information regarding next week's Annual Municipal Association of South Carolina Meeting. Mayor Amidon said the meeting gives the representatives of Travelers Rest the opportunity to meet with other municipalities from across the state.

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Byers and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Brandy Amidon

Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by Lori Sondov

Lori Sondov, CMC, City Clerk and Treasurer

Eric Vinson

Eric Vinson, City Administrator

**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 19, 2021 6:00 P.M.**

The following members were present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro Tempore, Grant Bumgarner, Rick Floyd, Kelly Byers, Brantly Vest, Shaniece Criss, and Sara Gilstrap. Also, present were: Eric Vinson, City Administrator, Lori Sondov, City Clerk, Phillip Tate, PW Director, Ben Ford, Police Chief, Greg Robertson, Fire Chief, and Brennan Williams, Planning Director. The media were notified. There were seven members of the public who attended. Absent: Jeff George.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. INVOCATION

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember Criss

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on July 15, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Floyd and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

1. Matt Gilstrap, 9 Lipscomb Street, spoke on public safety with regards to several issues, including crosswalks and the Swamp Rabbit Trail. Mr. Gilstrap presented a list of petitions, which can be found attached to these minutes.

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

1. Councilmember Criss made the motion to consider Ordinance O-19-21 to rezone approximately 2.15 acres of real property located at 208 North Poinsett Highway and listed as Tax Map Number 0497000500300) (TR 21-10) from S-1, Services District, to R-M Residential, Multifamily District. This rezoning was recommended by the Planning Commission and Staff. Councilmember Bumgarner made the second.

Graham Mullikin addressed Council on behalf of the developer and stated there are no firm development plans for the property at this time. Mr. Mullikin stated the developer wants to work with the City to create a good site plan.

Planning Director Williams confirmed there are no tenants on the property being rezoned. Councilmembers discussed their concerns over potential development on the property without passing the rezoning. Councilmember Choplin referred to a letter from the property owner to offer reassurance of a longer timeline if the mobile home residents living on the adjacent property were displaced and stated he is still concerned about gentrification. Mayor Amidon expressed appreciation for the transparency of the developer and asked for Mr. Mullikin to share Council's interest in affordable housing to with the owner.

The motion passed 7-1 with Councilmember Choplin opposed.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided the summary for the Public Works committee meeting.

Chair Floyd provided the summary for the Public Safety Committee meeting. Police Chief Ford and Fire Chief Robertson provided updates to the committee.

Chair Bumgarner provided the summary for the Ways and Means Committee meeting.

Chair Vest provided the summary for the Planning and Development report with additional information provided by Director Williams.

H. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

None

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Administrator Vinson commented on the following items:

1. A new City Administrative Assistant, Sarah Edick, has been hired.
2. Movement is being made on the Roe Road intersection project (the future Pinestone Development) and the City is hoping to obtain additional paving on Roe Center Court.

3. An application is being presented to the C-Fund Committee to ask for half of the \$4.2 million Poinsett Project.
4. An air conditioning unit went out in the Old City Hall and Public Works Director Tate had it replaced.
5. The City has received the picnic tables it purchased through a grant. The Public Works team will be installing these in several areas throughout the City, including Trailblazer Park and near the History Museum.
6. A free mini-library will be installed in the upcoming week in Trailblazer Park.

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Floyd and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Brandy Amidon

Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by

Lori Sondov

Lori Sondov, CMC, City Clerk and Treasurer

Eric Vinson

Eric Vinson, City Administrator

Good evening and thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak.

First, I would like to state that I have much respect for our police officers and first responders and consider some my friends.

I have a few petitions and little time so I ask that you actively listen with no interruptions. Also, I do understand that some items may require the city, county, and state to work together.

TR is only going to grow. When moving to the upstate, the place people want to live is TR.

With that, I believe that public safety should be a top priority. Specifically with regard to the swamp rabbit trail and pedestrian traffic amongst city streets.

First, I would like to see speed strips or rumble strips when coming off of highway 276 on to main st where the speed limit goes from 50 to 35 to 25 within a 1/4 mile. This will heighten motorist's awareness of the reduced speed zone when coming into a heavily foot-trafficked area.

2nd, I would like to see ground lights on non-traffic light crosswalks. These should light up the road bright yellow when the button is pressed on the crosswalk post. This will alert motorists that someone is about to cross the road. I would also like to see the rectangular crosswalk signs that are about 4' high in the middle of the crosswalk. I am a member of Anytime Fitness, and when I want to jog the Swamp Rabbit Trail before working out, I use the crosswalk; however, I have to play frogger to get across the road.

3rd, I would like to see more patrol enforcing pedestrian crosswalk motorist's violations. This should be doable in September when the trash fee, that was rammed through without much citizen support, is implemented to allow for one more officer to patrol the city streets. While on this topic, once council member asked, "When is a good time to raise fees and taxes?" I would like to respond by saying there really isn't a good time; however, there definitely is a bad time. Like on the outside of a pandemic, when people have lost their jobs and livelihood, when inflation is at an all-time high, when property taxes are up, when hundreds of families will be moving into the Pinestone development, need I go on? I would like to recognize one council member that recognized the societal crisis going on and simply stated, "The fee might need to happen, but now is not the time." Anyways, I am not encouraging officers to go on a ticketing spree, but rather to hand out warnings and to educate motorists on pedestrian right of ways.

4th, there needs to be a non-light crosswalk on N Poinsett in close proximity to Chicora Alley. This is one of the more popular restaurants within the city and people usually have to park across the street in the gravel lot. I understand that there will be a crosswalk in Spring of 2022 at the new stop light at the intersection of Tubbs. Mtn and N Poinsett. However, I consider it foolish thinking to assume that people are going to walk 200 yards to the intersection, cross the street, and then another 200 yards back to the restaurant. A non-traffic light crosswalk needs to be here and it cannot wait until Spring of 2022.

6th, as TR main st branches down Poinsett and center st, the speed limit should not be 35, but rather keeping with the same speed limit as main st, which is 25.

7th, I'd like to see more focus on encouraging cyclists to obey traffic laws. This is for the cyclists' safety as well as the driver's safety. We have seen a few incidents recently in Greenville County where motorists and cyclists collided, and the last thing we want to happen is someone get injured or killed.

I believe that if these items are implemented, TR will be a much safer place.

Thank you

**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 16, 2021 6:00 P.M.**

The following members were present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro Tempore, Grant Bumgarner, Rick Floyd, Jeff George, Kelly Byers, Brantly Vest, Shaniece Criss, and Sara Gilstrap. Also, present were: Eric Vinson, City Administrator, Lori Sondov, City Clerk, Phillip Tate, PW Director, Ben Ford, Police Chief, Mac McMakin, Assistant Fire Chief, and Brennan Williams, Planning Director. The media were notified. There were three members of the public and three employees who attended.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. INVOCATION

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember Choplin

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on August 19, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Choplin and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

None

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

None

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Due to the September Committee meeting not having a quorum, Committee Reports will be presented tonight.

Chair Byers called the Public Works Committee to order. Public Works Director Tate presented the Public Works report and provided the summary for the Public Works

committee meeting. Public Works Director Tate reported the following: Swamp Rabbit Trail widening is complete; the grant from Duke has been closed out; picnic tables have been installed in Trailblazer park, on the trail, and at the History Museum; a clean-up day was held at the Athens Park and Public Works Maintenance Technician David Garland was thanked for his assistance in organizing the effort; a second day will be held at Athens Park this weekend and a Community Day will be held at the park in October; and pruning was held on Hwy. 25.

Councilmember Choplin also thanked Public Works Director Tate for his efforts in the clean-up of Athens Park.

Councilmember Gilstrap made a motion to adjourn and Councilmember George seconded the motion.

Chair Floyd called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order. Assistant Fire Chief McMakin provided information from the Fire Department: the Department continues to have longer wait times at scenes due to waiting for Greenville County EMS to arrive. Police Chief Ford introduced employees newly hired within the past few months to Council: Thomas Light, Lauren Huffman, Jordan Weems, Matt Sewell, and Alyssa Durham.

Councilmember Floyd asked about the crime level at WalMart. Chief Ford stated, prior to this meeting, he had a conversation with the new manager at WalMart regarding the store's efforts to combat crime.

Councilmember Byers made a motion to adjourn and Councilmember Choplin seconded the motion.

Chair Bumgarner stated the Ways and Means Committee has not met, but he made a motion to accept the financial reports for the months of July and August. Councilmember Criss seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Chair Vest called the Planning and Development Committee to order. Planning Director Williams reported on the following: proposals from consultants for the Downtown Overlay District have been received, interviews will be scheduled with them soon, and there is anticipation of seeing progress being made in six to nine months on this project.

Councilmember Bumgarner asked Planning Director Williams to explain the Overlay Project. Planning Director Williams stated the consultants will assist the City in overlaying a zoning that would help maintain the character of Main Street and neighboring streets.

Mayor Amidon asked for clarification regarding the date of the five year plan and Planning Director Williams stated it is due next year.

Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn and Councilmember Criss seconded the motion.

H. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

None

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Administrator Vinson discussed the following: upcoming events at Trailblazer Park will include this Saturday being the last for the Saturday's Farmer Market for the season and a Car Show Fundraiser for Veterans' Last Patrol; the Athens Park clean-up will be held this Saturday and appreciation was given to Public Works Director Tate and Maintenance Technician David Garland; visits from several other cities have been held including groups from Newberry and North Augusta; the funding from the American Rescue Plan is expected to arrive this month as it is allocated to all cities throughout the state; thanks were given to Steve Borklund and David Waddell for hosting the 9-11 Barbecue in the Park; the United Way Campaign will kick off in October for two weeks; Furman Weekend will be held October 16, which will showcase the City at the football game; Browse and Stroll Market resumes on September 16; and a concert will be held this Saturday night.

Assistant Fire Chief McMakin presented awards given by Greenville County, Prisma Health System, and Bon Secours Health System in recognition of first responders who have performed CPR on individuals who go to the hospital and survive their health scare. Due to COVID, these awards were not presented last year, thus they cover 2019 and 2020.

Recognized were the following: Larry Hermin, Brad McCarson, Adam Little, James McMakin, Lee Perkins, Chris Smith, Jake Shupe, Josh Lollis (from the Police Department), and Assistant Fire Chief McMakin.

Also, the Fire Department and South Carolina Governor Henry McMaster recognized four employees for having saved the lives of individuals in need by administering Narcan to reverse the life-threatening effects of a known opioid overdose: Lee Perkins, Matthew Gilstrap, Josh Almeida, and James McMakin. Investigator Kobler of the Police Department recognized police officers who have assisted with providing Narcan in opioid overdose cases: Cpl. Rob Lewis and Josh Lollis. Investigator Kobler also recognized Officer Lollis as a candidate for the Russ Sorrow Award for his many attributes including feeding the homeless and even persons he has arrested; performing successful CPR three times in two days; administering Narcan to several opioid overdose cases; and applying a tourniquet to a shooting victim to save his life. Chief Ford acknowledged Officer Lollis has also received an honorable mention as Officer of the Year from the Crimestoppers organization.

Councilmember Bumgarner thanked Chief Ford, Chief Robertson, and Assistant Chief McMakin for their leadership in making successful employees.

Assistant Chief McMakin also stated the Fire Department had gone through an ISO Audit and

noted the City's last best rating was a three. After this year's audit, the new rating is a class two with one being the best possible ISO rating.

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vest and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Brandy Amidon

Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by Lori O. Sondov

Lori O. Sondov, CMC, City Clerk and Treasurer

Eric Vinson

Eric Vinson, City Administrator

**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 21, 2021 6:00 P.M.**

The following members were present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro Tempore, Grant Bumgarner, Rick Floyd, Jeff George, Kelly Byers, Brantly Vest, Shaniece Criss, and Sara Gilstrap. Also present were: Eric Vinson, City Administrator, Lori Sondov, City Clerk, Phillip Tate, PW Director, Ben Ford, Police Chief, Mac McMakin, Assistant Fire Chief, and Brennan Williams, Planning Director. The media were notified. There were twelve members of the public who attended.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. INVOCATION

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember Byers

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on September 16, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember George and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

1. Reggie Small, Past President of the Foothills Rotary Club of Travelers Rest, made a presentation on behalf of the organization to the Travelers Rest Police Department of \$2,000 toward the purchase of a drone.

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

None

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided a summary of the Public Works Committee report.

Chair Floyd provided a summary of the Public Safety Committee report.

Chair Bumgarner stated the Ways and Means Committee met to discuss the Ordinance to repeal and replace the Business License Ordinance.

Chair Vest provided a summary of the Planning and Development Committee report.

H. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider an Ordinance to adopt a revised Business License Ordinance in accordance with the Business License Standardization Act (2020 Act No. 176). Councilmember George seconded the motion and discussion was held. Councilmember Bumgarner explained the Ordinance, which is necessitated by a state standardization of the business license and the classification system, recognized Administrator Vinson's work on the issue, and stated some business licenses may decrease while others may increase. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Amidon and Administrator Vinson also recognized Business License and Permitting Specialist Renee Smouse for her work on the business license standardization process.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Boards and Commissions – Ways and Means Committee Chair Bumgarner made a motion to recommend the following people for appointment to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee:
Crystal Calhoun, for a term of 2021-2023
Wendy Lyman, for a term of 2021-22
Kristen Heiselman, for a term of 2021-23
Michelle Evett, for a term of 2021-22
Kristin Laroy, for a term of 2021-23
Dave Smits, for a term of 2021-22
Kem Theisen, for a term of 2021-22
Councilmember Criss seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

1. Mayor Amidon presented a proclamation in recognition of Upstate Young Marines for their efforts during for Red Ribbon Week to Georgette "Ali" Owens, a member of the UYM.
2. Administrator Vinson discussed the following: He thanked the Travelers Rest Area Chamber of Commerce for hosting an employee appreciation picnic at Trailblazer Park for all City employees and stated the City was recently approved for the Poinsett Project funding request by the Greenville County Legislative Delegation Transportation

Committee in the amount of \$2.25 million, which will go toward the Poinsett Corridor Revitalization Project including streetscaping and working on the roadway. City Clerk Sondov provided the following updates: the United Way drive will conclude on Monday, October 25, and the City's Christmas Toy Drive began taking applications for assistance as well as donations of cash and toys on October 18.

3. Mayor Amidon recognized Councilmember Gilstrap as this meeting is her last one due to her moving out of city limits.
4. Mayor Amidon attended the groundbreaking for Ace Hardware Company as well as Councilmembers Floyd and George.
5. Councilmember Choplin and Chief Ford reminded Council there will be a "Night Out" style event at Athens Park on October 28 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. with a bounce house, hot dogs, and hamburgers. Chief Ford stated the event is a good opportunity to meet the neighbors in the community.

L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember George and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Brandy Amidon

Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by Lori O. Sondov

Lori O. Sondov, CMC, City Clerk and Treasurer

Eric Vinson

Eric Vinson, City Administrator

**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2021 6:00 P.M.**

The following members were present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Harvey Choplin, Mayor Pro Tempore, Grant Bumgarner, Rick Floyd, Jeff George, Kelly Byers, Brantly Vest, and Shaniece Criss. Also present were: Eric Vinson, City Administrator, Lori Sondov, City Clerk, Phillip Tate, Public Works Director, Ben Ford, Police Chief, Mac McMakin, Assistant Fire Chief, and Brennan Williams, Planning Director. The media were notified. There were eight members of the public in attendance.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. INVOCATION

1. The invocation was given by Councilmember George

At this time, Chief Ford introduced new Police Officer Andrew Dollar.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Councilmember Criss made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on October 21, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Floyd and carried unanimously.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (5-minute max)

1. Nathan Galbreath
131 Falls Street
Greenville, SC 29601
Mr. Galbreath gave a presentation to introduce the Upstate Greenways and Trails Alliance to City Council and an overview of a new trail project. The presentation is attached to these minutes. Mr. Galbreath said UGATA hopes to partner with the City on this project. Councilmember Criss asked for the cost of the project and Mr. Galbreath said the estimated cost is \$600,000 to \$800,000.
2. Ellen Drager
3 Rilletta Lane

Ms. Drager asked if there were any plans to put a live speed sign (which records speed) at the curve on North Main Street just past Travelers Rest High School; if the City has funds set aside regarding land in perpetuity for the view, for future passive parks or just to remove from development as other cities do; and if Council believes the City has a good police presence given the current political climate regarding the police and recruitment.

Mayor Amidon encouraged Ms. Drager to speak with a Councilmember following the meeting to get more information. Administrator Vinson stated the City has looked into purchasing the electronic speed limit signs and said Chief Ford has investigated and will continue to look into grants to pay for those signs, which cost approximately \$3,500 each. Administrator Vinson added the City does have a mobile speed trailer which it uses throughout City limits, and he said he would meet with Ms. Drager if she would like.

F. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider an Ordinance to adopt a revised Business License Ordinance in accordance with the Business License Standardization Act (2020 Act No. 176). Councilmember Criss seconded the motion and discussion was held. Councilmember Bumgarner gave a brief summary of the Ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Byers provided a summary of the November 8, 2021 Public Works Committee report.

Chair Floyd provided a summary of the November 8, 2021 Public Safety Committee report.

Chair Bumgarner stated the Ways and Means Committee discussed on November 8, 2021 an Accommodations and Hospitality Revenue Bond Ordinance for the Poinsett Corridor Streetscape Project. Chair Bumgarner made a motion to accept the September and October Financial Reports. Councilmember Byers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Chair Vest provided a summary of the November 8, 2021 Planning and Development Committee report.

H. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

1. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider an Accommodations and Hospitality Revenue Bond Ordinance for the Poinsett Corridor Streetscape Project not to exceed \$1.5 million. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Criss and carried unanimously. Councilmember Bumgarner provided a summary of the project, stating it will cover Center Street to Hawkins Road, and said the bond will be needed to match funds coming from the Greenville County Transportation Committee. Councilmember Bumgarner stated the County has allocated \$2.5 million and explained the funding for the

remaining \$1 million will come from monies from the former City Hall building sale, Federal American Rescue Plan funds, and funds from the Hospitality Fund balance. Councilmember Byers confirmed the funding needed would have no impact on City residents.

2. Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to consider a Resolution to express the intention of the City Council of the city of Travelers Rest, South Carolina to cause the city of Travelers Rest, South Carolina to be reimbursed for certain costs for certain public improvements with the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Byers and carried unanimously. Councilmember Bumgarner provided a summary of the Resolution.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

1. Administrator Vinson discussed the following item: He crafted a letter to send to all City residents about the new trash service fee of \$6. The letter is attached to these minutes.
2. City Clerk Sondov gave an update on the City's Christmas Toy Drive, stating there are collection boxes at numerous City businesses and several monetary and toy donations have been made. City Clerk Sondov also mentioned a couple of staff members serving on the Toy Drive Committee who have been assisting with gathering donations, including Police Dispatcher Lauren Huffman, whose parents' ministry donated \$800 worth of toys, and Firefighter Josh Almeida, whose aunt's Sunday School Class plans to donate \$330. City Clerk Sondov also said the individual who won the second place prize in the Scarecrow Contest used the prize money to purchase toys for the drive.

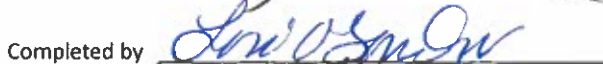
L. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Bumgarner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember George and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.



Brandy Amidon, Mayor

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Lori O. Sondov, CMC, City Clerk and Treasurer



Eric Vinson, City Administrator



Dear Property Owner or Resident:

To continue to provide excellent solid waste collection services, the City of Travelers Rest adopted a solid waste collection fee in July 2021. For your convenience, this fee will be assessed on your monthly Greenville Water bill and will be included in your November billing cycle.

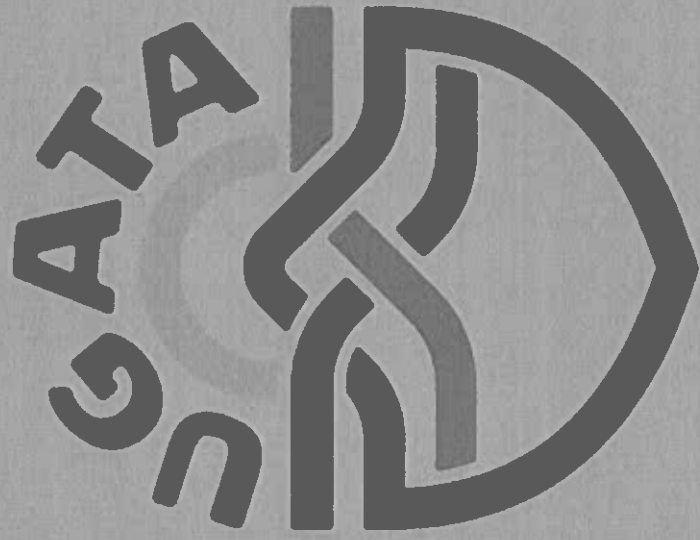
The City places a lot of emphasis on providing excellent customer service and maintaining a sustainable trash collection program. The cost for residential solid waste collection continues to increase annually with the expenses incurred by the City for such collection and disposal. This expense has become a significant amount of the annual budget for the City.

A service fee for residential solid waste collection and disposal in the amount of \$6.00 per month will be assessed to each parcel receiving service beginning in November 2021 to equally and fairly distribute the cost of solid waste services. This fee covers a portion of the total costs associated with the City's residential solid waste services. It is assessed to the users of the service rather than the general taxpayers.

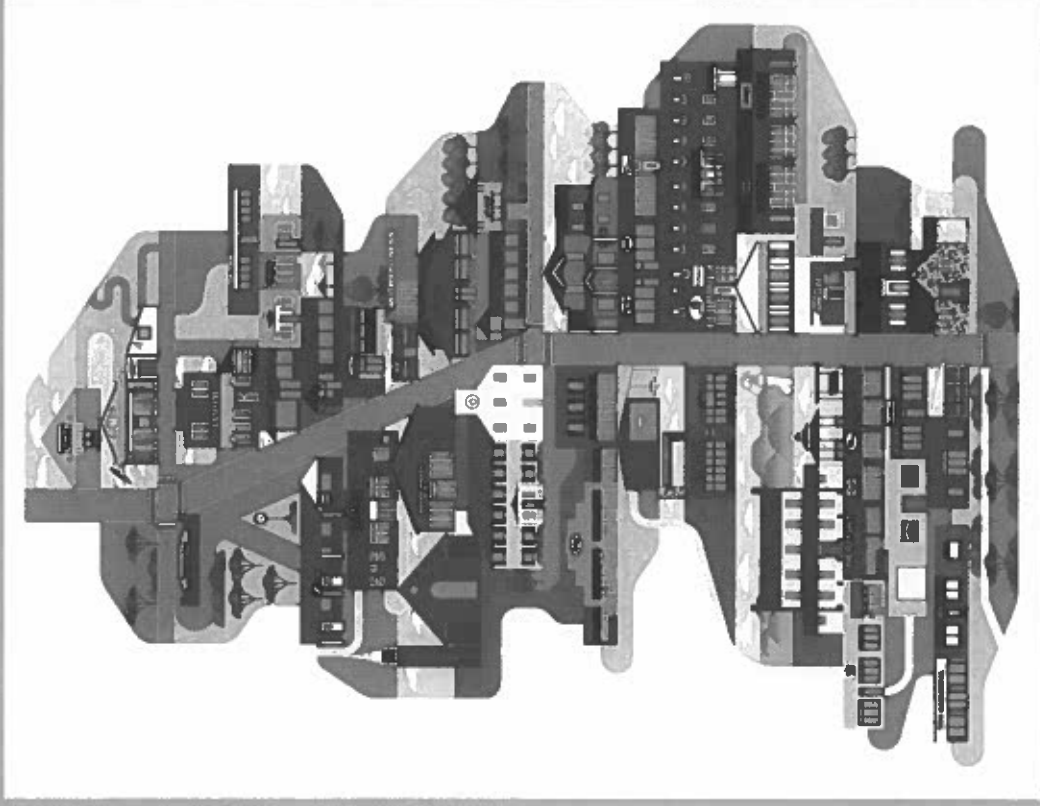
Recognizing that some of our residents are on fixed incomes, persons who qualify for the Homestead Exemption may be exempted from the fee. Persons who wish to qualify for the exemption shall provide proof of their homestead tax exemption from Greenville County for the residential property that receives solid waste collection services from the City. If you would like to find out more information or have questions about this program or fee exemption, please call City Hall at 864-834-8740.

Best Regards,

Eric Vinson
City Administrator
City of Travelers Rest



Upstate Greenways and Trails Alliance



Travelers Rest has built an identity around being a bike and pedestrian friendly town with strong community roots.

Trails and Greenways are featured prominently in:

- 2015 Bicycle Master Plan
- 2018 TR Master Plan
- 2019 TR Downtown Master Plan



Upstate Greenways and Trails Alliance (UGATA) also has a bike and pedestrian centered vision:

For Upstate South Carolina to have the most expansive network of multi-use trails and greenways in the United States.



Upstate Greenways and Trails Alliance (UGATA)

- 501(c)3
- Locally founded and focused
- Advocates for active infrastructure
- Builders and Doers



The Alliance

UGATA is made up of over 100 Upstate businesses and organizations that come together for a more active and well connected Upstate.

We can assist our municipal and county partners by bringing a unified voice and will to projects.



Trailside Businesses



Builders and Real Estate Businesses



BERKSHIRE
HATHAWAY
HomeServices
C. Dan Joyner, REALTORS®



N&S | NELSON &
GALBREATH
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Marchant
REAL ESTATE
The Marchant Company, Inc.



CENTRAL REALTY HOLDINGS
Real Estate Investment



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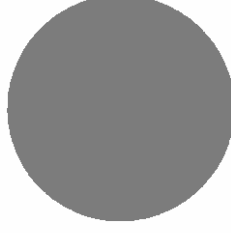
COLDWELL BANKER
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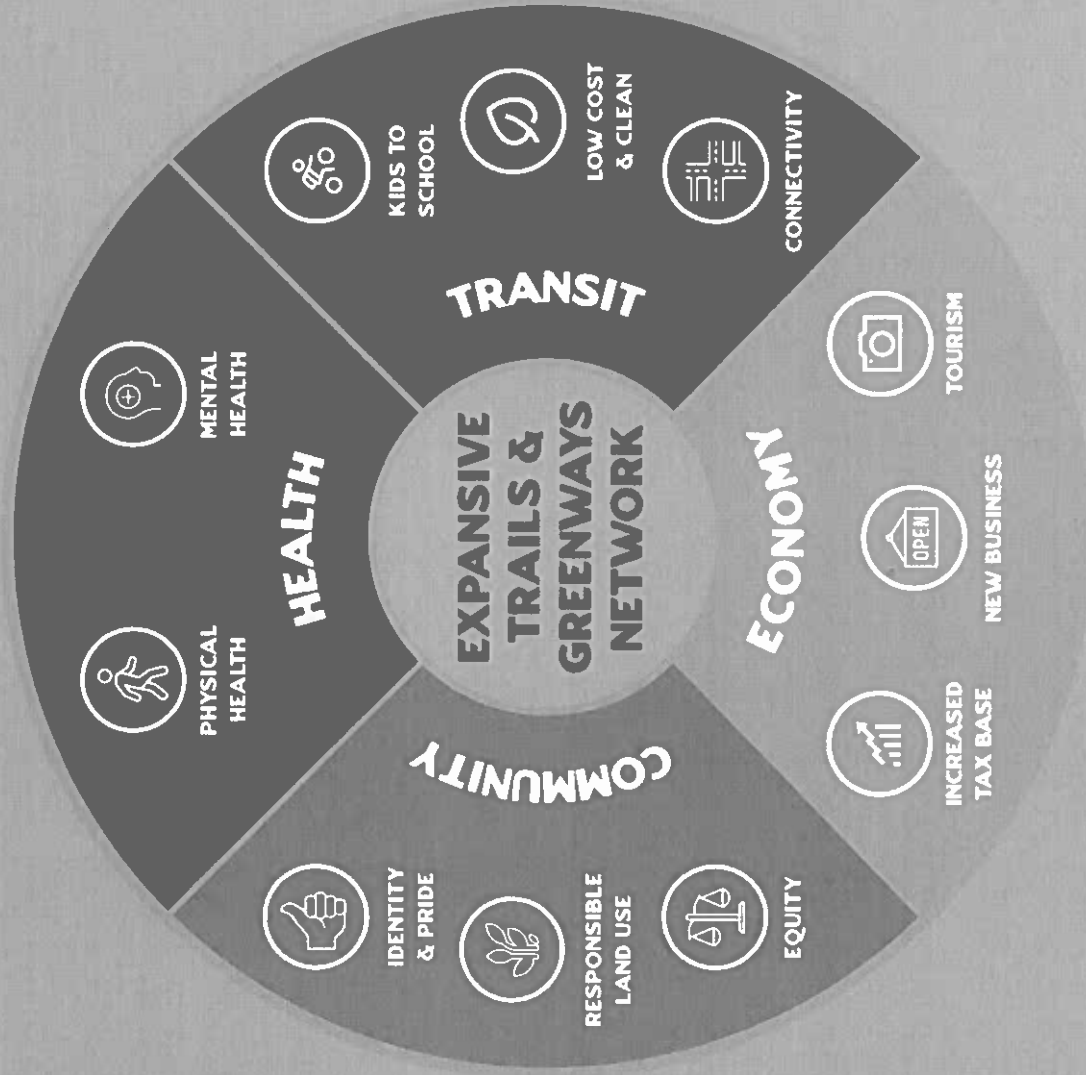
Fitness and Tourism Businesses



Neighborhood Associations and other Nonprofits



UGATA'S Wheel of Benefits



70 miles of greenway in
North Carolina's Triangle
region generate \$87
million in economic
benefits
EVERY YEAR.*

*The Impact of Greenways in the Triangle. Alta Planning and Design. September 2017



Atlanta's BeltLine project has had positive return on investment of over 10-to-1



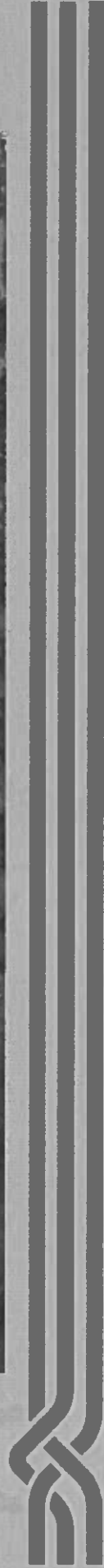


How UGATA partners with the City of Travelers Rest

- We form partnerships between public institutions and private citizens to identify, plan and implement projects that achieve common goals.
- With the powerful, collective voice of our alliance, we advocate for important projects.
- We actually build trails and greenways.

UGATA is excited to be working with the City of Travelers Rest,
Greenville County School District, private citizens, and
the George I. Theisen YMCA to build
a new 1.6 mile connector greenway in the heart of downtown TR.





Travelers Rest High School to the YMCA Greenway Benefits

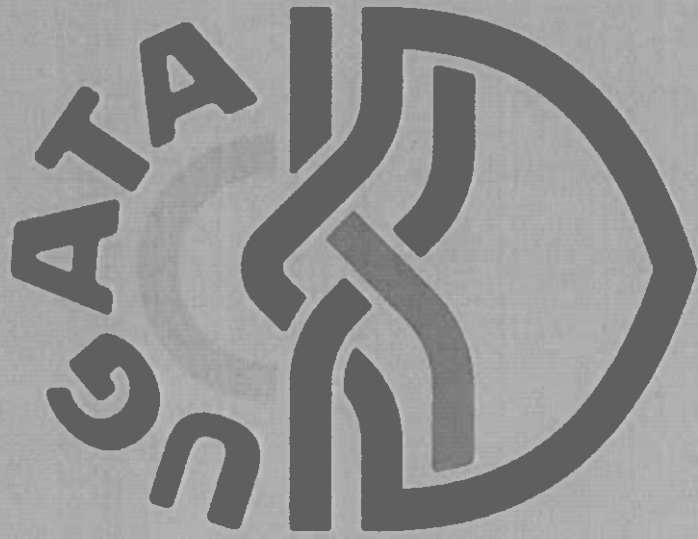
- Provide a safe route for ~150 households (with more to be built) to access downtown TR without using a car
- Allow citizens to access the YMCA from downtown and the current Swamp Rabbit Trail by foot or bike
- Connect a beloved local amenity to the heart of downtown TR.
- Add 1.6 new miles of greenway where citizens can recreate and exercise
- Provide abundant educational opportunities



Upstate Greenways and Trails
Alliance (UGATA) is excited
to partner with Travelers Rest
City Council.



Thank you for your time!



**CITY OF TRAVELERS REST
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
City Hall Council Chambers
Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.**

The City has implemented changes to our Public Meetings due to COVID-19. We will meet in Council Chambers and suggest a maximum of 12 guests for this meeting. We invite the public to join us on Facebook live <http://www.Facebook.com/DiscoverTravelersRest>.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Amidon

B. INVOCATION

Councilmember Floyd

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Regular Council Meeting on November 18, 2021

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None

F. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

1. Consider an Accommodations and Hospitality Revenue Bond Ordinance for the Poinsett Corridor Streetscape Project

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Public Works Committee monthly report from December 6, 2021-Chair Byers
2. Public Safety Committee monthly report from December 6, 2021-Chair Floyd
3. Ways and Means Committee monthly report from December 6, 2021-Chair Bumgarner
4. Planning and Development monthly report from December 6, 2021-Chair Vest

H. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

1. Consider a Resolution to approve premium pay to certain employees with American Rescue Plan Act Funds and declaring that such pay is a one-time, lump sum payment and not part of the regular salary base

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of the American Rescue Plan Funding Appropriations including funding for the following three additional projects: Sewer Rehabilitation, Poinsett Corridor Sewer and Stormwater Improvements, and Façade Improvement Program

K. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

1. Proclamation for Councilmember Harvey Choplin in honor of his 29 years of service to Council
2. Administrative Update

L. Executive Session

1. Boards and Commissions

M. ADJOURNMENT