

Regular Council Meeting
January 5th, 2026
Council Chamber-Clemson City Hall

Call to Order: Mayor Halfacre at 6:15 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Halfacre

Members present: Mayor Halfacre presiding, Council Members Evans, Fulmer, Jones, Scott, Sherrill, and Smith.

Absent: None

Notification emailed: January 2, 2026 to the Greenville News, the Journal, the Independent Mail, the Post and Courier, the Pickens Sentinel, the Easley Progress, WSNW Radio, WYFF, WSPA, and Fox Carolina.

Public Session: Mayor Pro Tem Scott presiding. Rupert McGinty, 206 N Clemson Avenue, regarding prepared statements. MyCivic comment from Stephanie Platt, 103 Mountain View Lane, regarding Flock cameras, paving schedules, and traffic light turn signals.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the December 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting were approved as presented.

Reports/Discussion

Discuss entering into a contractual agreement with Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service to remain a member of the Anderson and Pickens County Stormwater Partners. – Interim Utilities Director Dusty Hayes explained this is a compliance requirement with our SMS4 permit. The fee structure is based on population, and our costs will be \$10,000 per year for 5 years. Stormwater Manager Ethan Barnette explained the history behind the partnership.

Staff Reports

City Administrator Andy Blondeau: The City Council budget planning retreat date set was set for 1/29 from 11am to 7pm with the location still to be determined.

Deputy City Administrator Alli Gantte free holiday parking downtown ends January 6th.

Policy Action

Ordinances

Consider 2nd reading of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 18 (Traffic), Section 18-34 (Metered and Leased Parking). City Administrator Andy Blondeau noted there are no changes since the last meeting. Council Member Scott made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve 2nd reading of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 18 (Traffic), Section 18-34 (Metered and Leased Parking). Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Resolutions

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Consider a resolution to invoke the Pending Ordinance Doctrine and amend Chapter 13, Article 3, Section 13-55 (Townhouses). – Zoning and Codes Administrator Jacob Peabody gave an overview of the recent court case. City Administrator Andy Blondeau recommended doing this step to match the courts ruling. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Evans, to approve a resolution to invoke the Pending Ordinance Doctrine and amend Chapter 13, Article 3, Section 13-55 (Townhouses). Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Other Policy Items

Consider a contract with Favor Upstate for opioid recovery services. – Police Chief Jorge Campos stated this item is pending grant funding which is expected in the next 3 weeks. He explained the rolling application and grant process. Council Member Scott made a motion, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve a contract with Favor Upstate for opioid recovery services. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider allowing the Old Stone Church & Cemetery Association, Inc to install a stacked wood fence on the ROW of US 76 & Stone Circle. – City Engineer Nathan Hinkle presented that this is what was discussed at the last meeting. Council Member Scott noted that the letter had not been received yet. Council Member Scott made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve allowing the Old Stone Church & Cemetery Association, Inc to install a stacked wood fence on the ROW of US 76 & Stone Circle pending receipt of the amended letter stating responsibility for maintenance, install, modification, and removal. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Mayor-Council reports/comments/new business

Council Member Fulmer: The Shaw Center gave away 80 fire blankets and 50 fire extinguishers right before Christmas.

Council Member Sherrill: Complemented the free swim lessons for 3rd graders being offered in a partnership with the City and Clemson Elementary School.

Executive Session

Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Scott to enter into Executive Session to Consider Appointments to City Boards and Commissions: Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Board of Architectural Review, Building and Fire Board of Appeals; SC Code Section 30-4-70(a)(1). Vote on this motion was unanimous.

After discussion, motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously voted to exit Executive Session and return to the open session.

Following Executive Session,

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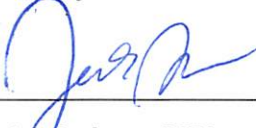
Council Member Scott made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to appoint Greg Rice and Tiffany Franks for terms of 4 years and Tanya Hyatt for a term of 2 years to the Planning Commission. Council Member Jones made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to appoint Shannon David Calloway for the professional seat and Cason Collins for the business owner seat for the Board of Architectural Review, both for a term of 4 years. Council Members Fulmer, Jones, Scott, Sherrill, and Smith and Mayor Halfacre in support. Council Members Evans in opposition. Motion passed 6 to 1 in favor.

Council Member Smith made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer to appoint Brad Holliman to a term of 3 years for the Building and Fire Board of Appeals. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

The Board of Zoning Appeals will be readvertised to receive more applicants.

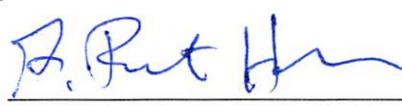
There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeremiah Jackson, MBL

Approved

By: 

G. Robert Halfacre, Mayor