

Regular Council Meeting
March 2, 2026
Council Chamber-Clemson City Hall

5:30 PM Public Hearing: 2026-R-01 Proposed Text Amendment (Neighborhood Conservation Overlay District)

Call to Order: Mayor Halfacre at 6:45 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Council Member Fulmer

Proclamations: Black History Month Honoree Earle Gaines, National School Breakfast Week.

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

Absent: None

Notification emailed: February 26, 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. MyCivic comment from Stephanie Platt, 103 Mountain View Lane, regarding the USA's 250th birthday banners and providing clarification on her previous question regarding a Council Members statement.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the February 16, 2026 Regular Council Meeting were approved as presented.

Reports/Discussion

Discuss a Franchise Fee Agreement with Wire3. - Deputy City Administrator Alli Gantte introduced Jai Ramachandran, CEO of Wire3 who will be applying for a franchise agreement to provide high speed internet in the Clemson area. This will be a 20 million dollar project once it is completed.

Receive a Presentation from Miss Clemson. - Mayor Halfacre introduced Dale Maddox the Miss Clemson Pageant's executive director. He has been with the Miss America organization for 40 years. The winners of Miss Clemson, Miss Clemson Teen, Miss Tigertown, Miss Tigertown Teen, and Miss Pickens County's Teen presented their service platforms.

Discuss a Mutual Aid Agreement with the City of North Myrtle Beach. - Police Chief Jorge Campos presented the terms are the same as last year and our costs will be reimbursed by the hosting agency.

Discuss the Anderson Regional Joint Water System Voting Representative. - Interim Utilities Director Dusty Hayes was not in attendance so Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods presented on his behalf that this is needed due to former Utilities Director Benjie McGill's retirement. The proposed primary representative is Interim Utilities Director Dusty Hayes, with City Engineer Nathan Hinkle as the proposed alternate.

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Discuss the 2026-R-01 Proposed Text Amendment (Neighborhood Conservation Overlay District). -

Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods explained the feedback he received in the homeowner meetings. He also explained the reasoning behind the boundary lines and the data supporting it. City Council discussed the various feedback on the overlay district. Catherine Huddle, 204 Edgewood Avenue, MyCivic comment regarding including other areas in the overlay. Doug Hayes, 307 Woodland Way, MyCivic comment in opposition of the overlay. MyCivic comment from Susanna Schantz, 309 Oak Street, regarding including other areas in the overlay. MyCivic comment from Jena Cox, 215 Wyatt Avenue, regarding questions about the overlay. MyCivic comment from Shaun Haney, 211 Riggs Drive, in support of the overlay. Mayor Halfacre recapped the issue and thanked staff for their work. Ric Ware, 100 Holiday West, comment regarding the uses of the property.

Staff Reports

City Administrator Andy Blondeau: David Chastain's son was in a bad car accident, but is recovering well. The Statement of Economic Interest is due 3/30 at noon. The State of Clemson is next Monday.

Policy Action

Ordinances

Consider 2nd reading of a text amendment to Chapter 2-47-f regarding abstentions. - Council

Member Jones noted nothing has changed since the previous meeting. Council Member Scott made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve 2nd reading of a text amendment to Chapter 2-47-f regarding abstentions. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider 2nd reading of a proposed amendment to the townhouse definition in the Rental Housing Ordinance. -

Zoning and Codes Administrator Jacob Peabody presented there had been no changes since the last meeting. Council Member Scott made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve 2nd reading of a proposed amendment to the townhouse definition in the Rental Housing Ordinance. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider 1st Reading of an Ordinance confirming and ratifying the annexation of, and/or annexing, certain property contiguous to the city limits, and enlarging the city limits; and for providing other related matters. -

City Administrator Andy Blondeau had nothing new to add. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Scott, to approve 1st reading of an Ordinance confirming and ratifying the annexation of, and/or annexing, certain property contiguous to the city limits, and enlarging the city limits; and for providing other related matters. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Other Policy Items

Consider declaring Utilities vehicles and equipment surplus. - Interim Utility Administrator Dusty Hayes was not in attendance so Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods presented on his behalf that nothing has changed since the previous meeting. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Scott, to approve declaring Utilities vehicles and equipment surplus. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Mayor-Council reports/comments/new business

Mayor Halfacre: Kudos to Morgan, Lowell, Jaquial, DK, Daja, and Shannon for their hard work with the Black History Month Dinner.

Council Member Evans: Addressed the MyCivic comment made by Stephanie Platt.

Council Member Fulmer: The friends of the Green Crescent Trail has asked him to be on their board.

Council Member Jones: Requested a camera be placed facing the audience in City Council chambers.

Council Member Scott: Congratulated the 10U Girls and 14U Boys Western District Champions.

Council Member Smith: Echoed Mayor Halfacre's comments on the Black History Month Dinner.

Women's History Month nominations are open until March 9th.

Executive Session

The planned executive session was as there is no update.

There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeremiah Jackson, MBL

Approved

By: 

G. Robert Halfacre, Mayor