

**Regular Council Meeting
June 15, 2026
Council Chamber-Clemson City Hall**

Call to Order Public Hearing: Mayor Halfacre at 5:30 p.m.

Public Hearing: Proposed Planned Development (1310 Tiger Blvd). Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods gave the history of the project and introduced the developer Kennedy Wilson with Mariel Arias presenting.

There being no further business, Mayor Halfacre adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:23 p.m.

Call to Order Regular Council Meeting: Mayor Halfacre at 6:40 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Council Member Evans

Members present: Mayor Halfacre presiding, Council Members Evans, Fulmer, Jones, Scott, Smith, and Sherrill. Council Member Scott left at 8:36 pm.

Absent: None

Notification emailed: June 11, 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.

Oath of Office: Business License Inspector

Proclamation: Scoliosis Early Detection Awareness Month

Public Session: Mayor Pro Tem Scott presiding. Fran McGuire, 103 Rippleview Drive, regarding abstentions. Robert Lee, 113 Pressley Drive, with a poem regarding the Green Crescent Trail.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the June 1, 2026 Regular Council Meeting were approved as presented.

Reports/Discussion

Discuss Proposed Planned Development (1310 Tiger Blvd). - Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods introduced the developer Kennedy Wilson with Mariel Arias presenting. Council Members asked various questions of the development team. The developer also is able to do a version of the project by right instead of as a planned development.

Discuss having Public Hearings and the corresponding discussion items on the same night or at separate meetings. - Council Member Smith explained she wanted to be considerate for timing for those that cannot make it. Robert Lee, 113 Pressley Drive, regarding public hearing comments.

Discuss a contractual agreement between the School District of Pickens County and the City of Clemson for supplying a School Resource Officer at Clemson Elementary for the 2026 - 2027 school year. - Police Chief Jorge Campos explained this standard contract is done yearly.

Staff Reports

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City Administrator Andy Blondeau: City offices will be closed for Juneteenth. There will be a Juneteenth Block party at Littlejohn Community Center from 5pm to 9pm. CAAAM is hosting the Sounds of Freedom Movie Nights on June 18th and June 25th both at 7pm.

City Engineer Nathan Hinkle: Explained how traffic studies work and that they are done by licensed engineering firms.

Policy Action

Consider 3rd Reading of Proposed Map Amendment of a parcel on 108 Elm Street. - Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods introduced the property owners, Chris Olson and Pick Lindsay, who presented their reasoning for the requested change. There was no motion made on this item.

Consider 2nd Reading of an ordinance to adopt the FY 2027 operating budget. -Finance Director Leslie Wilder highlighted no increases in the millage rate of 92.9 mills. The budget proposes adding 7 new full-time positions and it would increase the average water bill by \$4 per month. Council Member Scott made a motion, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve 2nd Reading of an ordinance to adopt the FY 2027 operating budget. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider 2nd Reading of Proposed Planned Development (201 Pine Street). -Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods gave background on the project. Charles Usry, 218 Pine Street, in opposition. Professor Chou, 205 Strawberry Lane, in opposition. Lauren Crouch, 104 Folger Street, in opposition. Paul Bowen, 215 Strawberry Lane, in opposition. Mr. Bowen submitted a petition into the record with the City Clerk. Ethel Pettigrew, 109 Hillcrest Avenue, in opposition. Johannes Schmidt, 112 Folger Street, in opposition. CC Bates, 149 Folger Street, in opposition. Gay Eitenmiller, 110 Strawberry Lane, in opposition. Lynne Fairey, 220 Strawberry Lane, in opposition. Judy Fairey, 218 Strawberry Lane, in opposition. Rupert McGinty, 206 N Clemson Avenue, in opposition. Robert Lee, 113 Pressley Drive, neutral position. Taylor Seawell, 121 Essex Drive, in opposition. Chris Eleazer, 115 Folger Street, in opposition. Scott Allison, 106 Hunnicutt Lane, in opposition. MyCivic Comment from Shannon Sharkey, 101 Poole Lane, in opposition. MyCivic comment from Chris Shelnut, 100 Dogwood Drive, in opposition. Council Members gave their reasoning for their vote on the project. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve 2nd Reading of Proposed Planned Development (201 Pine Street). Mayor Halfacre did a roll call vote. Council Member Fulmer yes. Council Member Sherrill no. Council Member Evans no. Mayor Halfacre yes. Council Member Scott no. Council Member Smith no. Council Member Jones Yes. The motion failed 3 to 4.

Consider 1st reading of an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a franchise agreement between the City of Clemson and Wire3; and providing for related matters. - City Administrator Andy

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Blondeau explained that Wire 3 is an internet provider looking to come into the area and recommended the standard 5% franchise fee. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve 1st reading of an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a franchise agreement between the City of Clemson and Wire3; and providing for related matters. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider a Resolution to adopt the Procurement Policy and Procedure Manual for the City of Clemson to be effective July 1, 2026. - Finance Director Leslie Wilder explained the resolution. Robert Lee, 113 Pressley Drive, in opposition. Council Member Smith made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve a Resolution to adopt the Procurement Policy and Procedure Manual for the City of Clemson to be effective July 1, 2026. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Other Policy Items

Consider a partnership with the Community Foundation of Greater Clemson to start an endowment to fund projects that benefit those who qualify as having a low or moderate income and the creation of a nonprofit support fund. - City Administrator Andy Blondeau explained the reasoning behind the endowment and the nonprofit support fund. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Evans, to approve a partnership with the Community Foundation of Greater Clemson to start an endowment to fund projects that benefit those who qualify as having a low or moderate income and the creation of a nonprofit support fund. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider a contractual agreement between Clemson University and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. - Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods explained the rate change. Council Member Evans made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve a contractual agreement between Clemson University and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider a contractual agreement between the Town of Central and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. - Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods explained the rate change. Council Member Evans made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve a contractual agreement between the Town of Central and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider a contractual agreement between the Town of Pendleton and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. - Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods explained the rate change. Council Member Evans made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve a contractual agreement between the Town of Pendleton and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

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Consider a contractual agreement between Highpointe and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. - Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods explained the rate change. Council Member Evans made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve a contractual agreement between Highpointe and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider a contractual agreement between the Pier (Core SVA) and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. - Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods explained the rate change. Council Member Evans made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to approve a contractual agreement between the Pier (Core SVA) and the City of Clemson for CATbus transportation services in FY 2027. Vote on this motion was unanimous. Robert Lee, 113 Pressley Drive, regarding the use of a consent agenda.

Consider awarding the develop Strategic Asset Management Plan to Raftelis Financial Consulting in the amount of \$145,422.00. - City Engineer Nathan Hinkle explained this is the long-term plan of how we manage our assets over time, including sidewalks, infrastructure and other items. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Smith, to award the develop Strategic Asset Management Plan to Raftelis Financial Consulting in the amount of \$145,422.00. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider awarding the Property and Casualty Brokerage Services Contract to Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services LLC in the amount of \$275,000. -City Clerk Jeremiah Jackson explained that this will help us negotiate a lower rate on our insurance premiums and help with claim support. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Evans, to award the Property and Casualty Brokerage Services Contract to Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services LLC in the amount of \$275,000. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Mayor-Council reports/comments/new business

Council Member Evans: Commented about her abstention in the last meeting.

Mayor Halfacre: Kudos for Sarah for her work on the Community Connection.

Council Member Jones: Addressed the abstention comments related to Fran Mcguire.

Executive Session

Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Smith to enter into Executive Session to Consider appointments to the Parks, Recreation, Arts, Culture, and Tourism Advisory Committee and the Police Advisory Board; SC Code Section 30-4-70 (a)(1).

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

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Following Executive Session,

Council Member Sherrill made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer, to appoint Agastya Sharma as the High School Student, and Camryn MacAlarney as the Clemson University Student to the Police Advisory Board both for a 1-year terms. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Evans, to appoint Jennifer Gooch to the Parks, Recreation, Arts, Culture, and Tourism Committee for a term ending in February 2028. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved (Council Member Jones yes via abstention) to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeremiah Jackson, MBL

Approved

By: 

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Robert Halfacre', written over a horizontal line.

G. Robert Halfacre, Mayor