

**Regular Council Meeting
July 20, 2026
Council Chamber-Clemson City Hall**

Call to Order Work Session: Mayor Pro Tem Scott at 5:30 p.m.

Work Session: Parking Study: Jim Corbett with Walker Consultants presented the draft report. Some of the recommended changes include adding Saturday enforcement, changing from a reserved space program to a permit program, and hiring an additional part time parking enforcement officer. Doing a branding refresh was also suggested as the item with the “biggest bang for the buck.” There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn the Work Session at 6:18 p.m.

Call to Order Regular Council Meeting: Mayor Pro Tem Scott at 6:30 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Pro Tem Scott

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

Absent: Mayor Halfacre

Notification emailed: July 16, 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. Philisa Bennett, 126 Curtis Circle, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Robert Lee, 113 Pressley Drive, regarding Arts Center policy. Cedric Brocman, Abel Baptist Church, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Linda Davis, New Hope Baptist Church, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Taquella Young, Easley, SC, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Jackie Young, 102 Young Drive, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Carleathea Benson, Seneca, SC, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Henry Young, 137 Cochran Road, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Rosa Graydon, Central, SC, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. MyCivic comment from Martha Farver, 215 Evergreen Drive, in support of the Abel rezoning. MyCivic comment from Maria Margarita Bruce, 113 Karen Drive, no information. MyCivic comment from Suzette Andrus, Seneca, SC, no information. MyCivic comment from Beth Poole, 209 Knollwood Drive, in support of the Abel rezoning. MyCivic comment from Nancy Cook, 420 Issaqueena Trail, in support of the Abel rezoning. MyCivic comment from Sandra Woodward, 106 Hill Pine Court, in support of the Abel rezoning. MyCivic comment from Lauren Hamrick, Liberty, SC, in support of the Abel rezoning. MyCivic comment from Candi Forester-Smith, 167 Somerset Lane, in support of the Abel rezoning. Nicki Harvey, 121 Sikes Avenue, in support of the Abel rezoning. Ansley Fraser, Seneca, SC, in support of the Abel rezoning. Kathy Hunter, 268 Riggs Drive, in support of the Abel rezoning. Joel Williams, 108 Vista Drive, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Julie Morgan-Ryan, 103 Catawbah, in support of the Abel rezoning. Peggy Bodie, 114

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Fuller Estate Drive, in support of the Abel rezoning. Philisa Bennett, 126 Curtis Circle, in opposition to the Abel rezoning. Viviea Rogers, Pendleton, SC, in support of the Abel rezoning.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the July 6, 2026 Regular Council Meeting were approved as presented.

Reports/Discussion

Discuss allowing the Holiday East neighborhood to install twenty-five (25) feet of wood palisade fence on the ROW of Holiday East. - City Engineer Nathan Hinkle presented that currently there is vegetation on the site, that will be replaced by the fence.

Discuss a request from First Baptist Clemson to be included as one of the nonprofit agencies allowed to use the electronic message board. - City Administrator Andy Blondeau explained that currently City Council has to approve the organizations. He recommended doing away with the program and finding other ways to help. Robert Lee, 113 Pressley Drive, regarding driver distraction time.

Staff Reports

City Administrator Andy Blondeau: Reminder that tomorrow night from 5pm to 7pm Healing Bridges is having an open house.

Policy Action

Consider 2nd reading of proposed planned development (1310 Tiger Blvd). - Assistant City Administrator Nathan Woods gave some background on the project. Linda Davis, New Hope Baptist Church, in support. Russell Oglesby, 133 Abel Road, in support. Viola Austin, Golden View Baptist Church, in support. Rosa Graydon, Central, SC, in support. MyCivic comment from Tim Dunmeyer, 103 Lewis Road, in opposition. MyCivic comment from Stephanie Platt, 103 Mountain View Lane, in opposition. Council Member Smith made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fulmer to approve 2nd reading of proposed planned development (1310 Tiger Blvd). Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider 1st Reading of Proposed Text Amendment, Middle Housing Standards. - Zoning Official Jacob Peabody explained that with this change we may be eligible for new federal grants. Jason Mann, 600 Anderson Highway Apartment 111, in support. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Jones to approve 1st Reading of Proposed Text Amendment, Middle Housing Standards. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Consider 1st Reading of Proposed Map Amendment, Rezoning Hamilton Drive. - Zoning Official Jacob Peabody explained the property owners are wanting to do a private security office and small engine repair shop. Council Member Fulmer made a motion, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve

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1st Reading of Proposed Map Amendment, Rezoning Hamilton Drive. Vote on this motion was unanimous.

Mayor-Council reports/comments/new business

Council Member Sherrill: A Declaration Day event will be held August 2 at 2:30pm at the Pickens County Courthouse.

Council Member Jones: Suggested having a uniform code of conduct.

There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeremiah Jackson, MBL

Approved

By: 

G. Robert Halfacre, Mayor