# CITY OF LAURENS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MUNICIPAL CENTER 250 WEST LAURENS STREET, LAURENS, SC 29360 MAY 28, 2024 5:30PM

# **PRESENT**

Mayor Nathan Senn, Councilor Johnnie Bolt, Councilor Cassandra Campbell, Councilor Sara Latimore, Councilor Martin Lowry, Councilor Marian Miller, Councilor Alicia Sullivan, City Administrator Eric Delgado, IT Director Colby Rice, and City Clerk Leslie Mattison

### PRESS IN ATTENDANCE

Judith Brown - Advertiser

# THE MEDIA WAS NOTIFIED BY AN EMAILED AGENDA.

### **CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION**

Mayor Senn called the meeting to order with Councilor Miller giving the invocation and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### CONSENT AGENDA

**Approval of the May 28, 2024 Regular Meeting Agenda and April 16, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes -** A motion was made by Councilor Miller and seconded by Councilor Latimore to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Ordinance 5-24-1:** An ordinance to provide for the levy of taxes for the City of Laurens for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, imposing certain fees and charges within such budget; to provide for the execution of and to put into effect the consolidated budget; and to provide budgetary control of the city's fiscal affairs and other matters relating thereto - Mayor Senn began by stating that this year's budget was developed on the part of City Council at this year's Budget Workshop. A tremendous amount of work went into it by City Administrator Delgado. The \$9,744,476.00 budget does not raise taxes and it keeps the city's millage the same.

Councilor Latimore inquired as to why a contribution to Bridging the Gap was not included in the FY 24-25 budget and what is the procedure for requesting donations. Mayor Senn and City Administrator Delgado explained that Calvin Whitmire, director of Bridging the Gap, did not have his request in before the budget meeting in April. All requests must be turned in before council's yearly budget meetings.

A motion was made by Councilor Campbell and seconded by Councilor Sullivan to approve Ordinance 5-24-1. The motion was approved unanimously.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilor Bolt and seconded by Councilor Campbell to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

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NATHAN SENN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LESLIE MATTISON, CITY CLERK