

**CITY OF INMAN
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018
PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION MINUTES**

The City Council held a public information session on Tuesday, March 20th, 2018 at 5:30 PM at the American Legion, located at American Legion Post #45, 44 Bishop Street, Inman, SC 29349. The purpose of the public information session was to share updates on the streetscape renovation project with members of the public.

Mayor Huff was present, along with City Councilmembers Fowler, McGuire, Newman, and Rogers. City Administrator Jeremy Caudle was present.

Mayor Huff called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and read the FOIA statement concerning notification of the meeting.

Rev. Ed Stallworth with Inman United Methodist Church gave the invocation. Planning Commission Chair Pete Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmember Fowler's motion to approve the agenda was approved.

Mayor Huff opened the floor to Capitol Construction Project Manager Trey Alexander. Mr. Alexander discussed the following changes to the scope of the project, as directed by the City Council earlier that evening: (1) certain bump-outs on Main Street will be moved and the project engineer will provide final plans for the moved bump-outs to Capitol Construction; (2) the sidewalk improvements will not extend into building owners' entranceways (in other words, the improvements will only come up to the building face, or the location of the current sidewalk); (3) for the sidewalks, the project will involve stained concrete and saw-cutting, and for the bump-outs, the project will involve colored concrete and stamped patterns, which will allow the contractor to "jump around" to accommodate business owners' schedules.

Mayor Huff then opened the floor for each City Councilmember to make a brief presentation to the members of the public on the importance of the streetscape project. Next, Mayor Huff opened the public comment and question section of the meeting.

Tammy MacDonald with 39 N. Main St., owner of New to You consignment, discussed the need to be informed about project progress, as well as concerns about adequate parking.

Sandy Green, owner of Gifts for All Seasons, asked about who would be responsible for damage to buildings once construction is underway.

Bobby Gowan, owner of Fran's, stated that he was glad to hear that certain bump-outs would be moved and that work would not take place within owners' entranceways.

Richard Braswell of 25 N. Main Street requested clarification on the contractor's plan to complete the sidewalk demolition and construction in one section at a time.

Stacey Ishikawa of 3 Blackstock Rd. stated that the improvements are great but that she would like to see the plans.

Andrew Higgins of 545 Ridgefield Rd. stated that he recently moved to Inman and is glad to be here.

David Grayshock, president of the Inman Area Chamber of Commerce, stated that he is looking forward to the project taking place and being completed.

Roger Newman, owner of the Frame House, stated that he is happy that the City received grant funding for the project.

Jason Miller of 18 S. Main St. had a question about how the sidewalk improvements in front of his business would affect the ability of his work trucks to move in and out of his parking lot.

Amanda Blackwell of 3 Mill St. talked about her excitement about the City receiving grant funding and changing people's perception of the City for the better.

Rev. Ed Stallworth closed the meeting with a prayer. Mayor Huff adjourned the meeting at 6:15 PM.

Submitted by:



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City Administrator