

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANFORD
SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA

The City Council met at the Sanford Municipal Center, 225 E. Weatherspoon Street, on Tuesday, August 16, 2016, at 7 P.M., in the Council Chambers. The following people were present:

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| Mayor T. Chet Mann | Council Member James Williams |
| Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins | Council Member Rebecca Wyhof |
| Council Member Jimmy Haire | City Manager Hal Hegwer |
| Council Member Charles Taylor | City Clerk Bonnie Davis |
| Council Member Byron Buckels | City Attorney Susan Patterson |
| Council Member Norman Charles Post, III | |

Mayor Mann called the meeting to order. Council Member Williams delivered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT – (Exhibit A)

Steve Malloy, residing at 2615 Bellaire Drive, informed Council of something new that Adcock and Associates has started; it is called “Tour of Sanford Program.” Real estate agents are generally the first people newcomers meet when they come to Sanford. David Nester and he (co-owners of Adcock & Associates) decided to take a more proactive approach to selling Sanford. They give free tours of Sanford, based upon a newcomer’s/company’s interests and concerns. They want to address those concerns and hopefully the program will help sell homes but also sell Sanford. It is not a home-selling tour. Mr. Malloy asked everyone to “Save the Date” for Adcock & Associates 40th Anniversary Celebration on Tuesday, October 25, at the Dennis Wicker Civic Center. Council will receive an invitation.

Bonnie Rosensteel, residing at 1509 Dakota Loop, spoke in favor of the two-hour parking, and raising the fine from \$5 to \$25 and in favor of the hours from 9 AM to 8 PM. They previously resided in the Cary/Apex area for 15 years. She and her husband just moved to Sanford about a year ago and have purchased a building at 148 Steele Street. They have been renovating the building since January. She noted that a lot of the employees are parking in the parking spaces, leaving no spaces for the customers. They are seriously looking at purchasing a second building; however, if the parking doesn’t change, why would they invest. Other people are telling her that she will have problems with parking in Downtown also.

Julian “Jenks” Youngblood, residing on Midland Avenue, and owner of several properties on Moore Street and Lora Wright, residing at 1225 Cool Springs Road and owner of Southern Jewelers on Steele Street, were in favor of the two-hour parking and raising the fine to \$25. They expressed concern about the employees and owners of other businesses parking on Steele Street and occupying the parking spaces. Mrs. Wright also added that people who live there also park on Steele Street.

Bob Finch, residing at 1414 Carthage Street, stated that he did not feel the fine should be increased to \$25; it should stay \$5 for the first offender. He felt that more should be done to address the needs of the homeless in Sanford.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Mann requested to remove an item listed under Public Hearings - Consideration of an Application by Ameer Rental Properties, LLC - to rezone one 2.02 ± acre tract of land with frontage on Gunter Street and an unimproved portion of Poplar Street from the current zoning of Light Industrial (LI) to Multifamily (MF-12). The property is the same as depicted on Lee County Tax Map 9643.15 as Tax Parcel 9643-64-6390 Lee County Land Records and as illustrated as a 2.02 acre tract of land on a survey map recorded in Plat Cabinet 10, Slide 50-A of the Lee County Register of Deeds Office. There are only five planning board members present and one has asked to be recused due to the potential conflict of interest; therefore, there is no quorum on this item tonight.

Council Member Wyhof made the motion to approve the amended agenda. Seconded by Council Member Taylor, the motion carried unanimously.

CASES FOR PUBLIC HEARING: to be held jointly with the Planning Board.

Consideration of multiple text amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance to allow for "Wine Shops".

- Amendment to Article 4, Table 4.6.-1 Permitted Use Matrix, to add a new land use for "Wine Shops" and further indicate that wine shops shall be permitted in the Highway Commercial (HC), Light Commercial & Office (C-1), General Commercial (C-2), Central Business District (CBD), Light Industrial (LI) and Heavy Industrial (HI) zoning districts with supplemental development regulations. – (Exhibit B)
- Amendment to Article 5, Supplemental Development Regulations, to create a new SECTION 5.43 WINE SHOPS, in order to add supplemental standards for wine shops allowed in Highway Commercial (HC), Light Commercial & Office (C-1), General Commercial (C-2), Central Business District (CBD), Light Industrial (LI) and Heavy Industrial (HI) zoning districts. – Amendment to Appendix A Definitions, to add a definition for Wine Shops. – (Exhibit B)

Community Development Director Marshall Downey presented a summary of the amendments as listed on Exhibit B and answered questions pertaining to the new standards. These amendments were driven by individuals who would like to open a Wine Shop. The amendment would add "Wine Shops" as a new land use to the permitted use matrix and further indicate that such use shall be permitted in Highway Commercial (HC), Light Commercial and Office (C-1), General Commercial (C-2), and Central Business (CBD) zoning districts as well as in a Planned Unit Development (PUD) or Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND) with development regulations. It also adds the definition for Wine Shops.

The Joint Planning Commission met on this and made a couple of changes. However, they unanimously recommended adoption of the amendments, which are presented here tonight.

Mayor Mann opened the public hearing. Ryan Elliott, residing at 318 Mayflower Circle, spoke in favor. When discussing the potential of opening a wine shop in Sanford, he has received an

overwhelming response from a lot of people in the community. People who commute outside of the area of Sanford to work, typically spend money for their beer and wine outside Sanford such as Raleigh, Southern Pines and Pinehurst. He feels there is enough demand for a business like this to succeed. It is quite the standard for people to have a drink while you shop for wine or beer. He said this would be a retail business, not a bar or nightclub. They will have a drink maximum while on the premises, which will be best for maintaining the atmosphere that they think will be comfortable for people and keeping it a place to shop. They will have limited hours – probably 8 P.M. on the weekdays and 9 P.M. on the weekends.

Kevin Foushee, residing at 2656 Buckingham Drive, spoke in favor. He recently moved back to Sanford from Wake County. He echoed the same comments as Mr. Elliott. This business will provide a level of service that is not being offered in Sanford currently. You need someone to answer questions about wine and also sell beer that is not out of date. He added that it would bring people to the Downtown area.

Mr. Haire asked how do you measure the 40/60; the consumption on the premises does not exceed 40 percent. Mr. Downey replied it is the receipt. They would have to work with the property owner; it would be the 40 percent for the on-site consumption so they would have to demonstrate that over 60 percent of their sales are for off-site consumption. Mr. Haire what happens if it is 50/50. Mr. Downey replied it would be in violation. If it turned out over a 30-day period they were not meeting the standard, then it would be an entertainment establishment, and a zoning violation. Mr. Downey stated that this language is modeled after the ABC language, so there is nothing here that would be different than what the ABC agents would be looking at.

With no one else requesting to speak, the public hearing was closed.

- Consideration of an amendment to Article 11, Sign Regulations, Section 11.9 Outdoor Advertising (Billboard) Signs, to amend SECTION 11.9.1 STANDARDS FOR THE CITY OF SANFORD AND THE TOWN OF BROADWAY, by adding new Subsections and standards to allow nonconforming off-premises outdoor advertising (billboard) signs that existed as of July 1, 2016 within the City of Sanford to be modernized which may include replacement of the billboard sign with a new electronic/digital billboard sign, provided the modernization meets the Outdoor Advertising Control Act, and provided the sign is located in the same physical location of the pre-existing nonconforming sign. Note, SECTION 11.9.2 STANDARDS FOR LEE COUNTY shall remain in effect as written. Also, in conjunction with this amendment, Article 12, Section 12.5.1 Expansion of Nonconforming Structures, shall be amended to add a new Subsection 12.5.1.3 EXCEPTION FOR MODERNIZATION OF BILLBOARDS IN THE CITY OF SANFORD in accordance with Section 11.9. *(See attached memo for a summary of the proposed amendments)* – (Exhibit C)

Community Development Director Marshall Downey explained that this amendment includes two requested changes in two different sections of the Unified Development Ordinance. Staff was recently approached by a billboard company regarding the renovations/replacement of an existing outdoor advertising, commonly referred to as a billboard, sign along South Horner Boulevard within the City's zoning jurisdiction. The City's zoning ordinance, including the UDO, does not allow for any new billboards or outdoor advertising signs be placed in the City's jurisdiction. All of our existing billboards are grandfathered in and no new ones are allowed to be placed. However, in researching the issue and working with the billboard

industry and closely with the city attorney, we realized that a lot of communities are in the process of “modernizing” existing grandfathered billboards. This may include repair in place, some of the older existing billboards with the intent to try and take some of them before they begin to deteriorate into a more contemporary look and technology. Staff has put together a set of draft ordinances that we could add to our UDO that would allow for the existing grandfathered signs to be modernized. He referred to Exhibit C for the language to be added to the Article 11 Sign Regulations and Article 12 Section 12.5 Nonconforming Structures. The Joint Planning Commission recommended unanimously to approve these amendments.

Mayor Mann opened the public hearing. No one requested to speak in favor or in opposition. The public hearing was closed.

Consideration of an Application by Ameer Rental Properties, LLC - to rezone one 2.02 ± acre tract of land with frontage on Gunter Street and an unimproved portion of Poplar Street from the current zoning of Light Industrial (LI) to Multifamily (MF-12). The property is the same as depicted on Lee County Tax Map 9643.15 as Tax Parcel 9643-64-6390 Lee County Land Records and as illustrated as a 2.02 acre tract of land on a survey map recorded in Plat Cabinet 10, Slide 50-A of the Lee County Register of Deeds Office. – (Exhibit D)

This item was removed from the agenda.

The Planning Board retired to the West End Conference Room and recommendations will come back tonight to Council for a decision.

REGULAR AGENDA

Consider Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2016-2017 (Reappropriations) – (Exhibit E)

Financial Services Director Beth Kelly explained that this ordinance amends the operating budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. It is our annual reappropriation amendment for projects that were earmarked in 2015-2016 and were not completed as of June 30, 2016. Council Member Haire questioned the process of removing the antennas off the Spruce Street Water Tank in order for the tank to be painted.

City Engineer Paul Weeks explained that U.S. Cellular’s antennas are located on the Spruce Street Water Tank. We are working with U. S. Cellular to remove them, which has shut down the painting of the tank. The painting crew has primed the inside of the tank but has not yet started painting the inside because the items have to be removed from the outside of the tank. They have to do some welding on the tank. U. S. Cellular is aware that we want our tank back in operation as soon as possible. We informed them over 30 days ago to move the antennas. We do not have to pay for the painting equipment sitting there.

Mr. Hegwer explained that we receive revenue from the cell tower companies and it goes back into the utility fund. We need their antennas on our tank for the revenue. We do not want anyone to get hurt on these projects.

Mr. Weeks explained that the cell phone company will erect a temporary tower near the same location. The company is trying to get permission from landowners to use their land to erect a temporary tower on which to locate their equipment.

Council Member Taylor stated that in the past, they required 180 days' notice to temporarily remove their antennas off a water tank. He asked if it changed? Mr. Weeks replied it is substantially less. It only took Sprint 30 days to remove their antennas. There are two notices in the contract; one is a 90-day notice and the other is a 30-day notice. The 30-day notice is if they are doing anything that keeps you from using your water tank for its intended purpose. We are working together on the issue.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins made the motion to approve the Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2016-2017 (Reappropriations). Seconded by Council Member Post, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Reimbursement Resolution – Streetscape Capital Project – (Exhibit F)

Financial Services Director Beth Kelly stated that the resolution authorizes the City to be reimbursed in the amount of \$250,000 from future installment purchase proceeds for the alleyways that were discussed at the work session last week. This is part of the streetscape capital project.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins made the motion to approve the Reimbursement Resolution – Streetscape Capital Project. Seconded by Council Member Post, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Approval of Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 – (Exhibit G)

Financial Services Director Beth Kelly explained that this ordinance appropriates \$250,000 from fund balance to be contributed to the Streetscape Capital Project.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins made the motion to adopt the Approval of Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. Seconded by Council Member Post, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Capital Project Ordinance Amendment – Streetscape – (Exhibit H)

Financial Services Director Beth Kelly stated that this is the actual amendment to the capital project appropriating the \$250,000 as a contribution from the General Fund and appropriates \$14,051 in additional interest income that has been received on the project to date.

Council Member Wyhof made the motion to approve the Capital Project Ordinance Amendment – Streetscape. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Ordinance to Enact Two-Hour Parking on Certain Streets and to Amend Section 36-113, 36-114, 36-115, 36-141, and 36-147 of the City of Sanford Code of Ordinances Chapter 36, Traffic – (Exhibit I)

Council Member Taylor stated that he appreciates the work the parking committee has done and is in favor of the two-hour parking and raising the fine to \$25. He would like to see dialogue engaged between the parking committee, the mayor, and the city manager with the people from the Wilrik Hotel to see what ideas we can get them to buy into to help make this process easier. He felt that has been missing, whether it has been by choice - the Wilrik staff to participate in these meetings, or omission. He received a phone call from Mr. Robert Woods. Mr. Woods mentioned a sticker program for the Wilrik residents to have on all vehicles for Wilrik parking and this is a way to monitor the parking. Mr. Taylor wanted to make certain ADA requirements are met and that there is adequate lighting in the Cole Street parking. He felt it should be tabled no later than September 6 because he would like to see more spirit of cooperation; that is only two weeks. He wants to give the ability of the parking committee to have a sit-down meeting because a lot can be accomplished beyond just the parking issue.

Council Member Taylor said he would like to offer to table the ordinance to no later than September 6 as long as those requirements that he just mentioned and any more that may need to be added.

Council Member Buckels stated that he is 100 percent in favor of the two-hour parking and it benefits the businesses and customers. He felt the time from 9 AM to 8 PM, needs to be looked at; he thought it should be 9 AM – 5 PM or 9 AM – 6 PM. He said there are disabled veterans and disabled senior citizens that live in the Wilrik Building. Mr. Buckels did not feel that it is adequate for someone who lives in the Wilrik that is disabled to park a block away and carry groceries to the place to where they live. He felt we should look at a few more handicapped parking spaces. He would like to spend more time on this issue to make sure we get it right.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins made a motion to adopt this two-hour parking with the hours from 9 A.M. to 7 P.M., effective August 17 or as soon as the signs can be placed; that between August 17 and September 1, 2016, the tickets being issued are warning tickets only and effective on September 1, 2016, they ticket the cars ; once the signs are in place that towing can occur after someone has been sitting in the same spot for five hours; and the appropriate handicapped marking be put in place as well. The reason he is saying 9 AM – 7 PM, is for all intents and purposes that means if somebody parks after 5 PM, they are there. The businesses downtown are paying the highest tax rate in Lee County, by their own decision, in order to have the amenities that will help the businesses. Our businesses Downtown have been suffering tremendously because of the undue burden put on them from Duke, Charter, and Windstream – the extreme delays we have experienced with the streetscape. This is something we need to take action. He would like to spend more time discussing but every day we spend coming up with an answer is costing the businesses Downtown serious money. We do not need to ignore businesses Downtown going out of businesses. As far as the fine, you do not get a ticket if you do not violate the ordinance.

Council Member Buckels seconded Mr. Taylor's motion.

Council Member Wyhof asked were there any discussions about the Wilrik in the parking committee meetings? Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins said the parking committee had no specific conversations with the Wilrik. Downtown Sanford was present representing all the businesses Downtown including the Wilrik. He has spoken with people, other than those on the committee, and it has not been a secret as to what the committee has been doing.

Mayor Mann echoed Mr. Gaskins' comments and said that the parking committee has met four to six times. We have had public notices distributed. Mayor Mann asked Downtown Executive Director Jennifer St. Clair if the Wilrik had been notified of the meetings. Mrs. St. Clair replied yes, they were notified. Mayor Mann found it frustrating that this issue comes up tonight after the committee parking met for two months.

Mr. Buckels asked for more handicap parking spaces, because he felt more than 50 percent of the residents that live in the Wilrik Hotel are disabled/handicap, instead of having to walk a block away.

Mr. Taylor felt that we may be able to gain something from meeting with the people from the Wilrik Hotel. He felt it would be shortsighted for us not to take into consideration and have an opportunity for healing here, regardless of whether they chose not to attend a meeting; it is irrelevant. There are 80 plus people in the building; there might be some things we can learn from this process, that we can apply, in making our Cole Street parking lot better.

Mr. Williams commented that the committee met five to six times in the afternoon. The Downtown Association represents the merchants, whether they included them all, he did not know but we have to start somewhere. If we put in the two-hour parking, that will help the merchants that have spent the time to come to the meetings and bring their input; we can always go back and add to it. You will not always satisfy everybody.

After discussion on the existence and order of motions and seconds, a vote was taken on Council Member Taylor's motion to table until no later than September 6, with discussion with others including the Wilrik. The motion failed with three votes in favor and four against the motion. The three voting in favor were Council Member Buckels, Taylor, and Williams. The four voting against were Council Members Wyhof, Post, Haire and Gaskins.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins made the motion to adopt two-hour parking with the hours from 9 A.M. to 7 P.M., effective August 17 or as soon as the signs can be placed; that between August 17 and September 1, 2016 that the tickets being issued are warning tickets only and effective on September 1, 2016, they go to actually ticketing; once the signs are in place that towing can occur after someone has been sitting in the same spot for five hours and the appropriate handicapped marking be put in place as well. Seconded by Council Member Post, the motion carried in favor with a five to two vote. Council Members Charles Taylor and Byron Buckels cast the dissenting votes.

City Attorney Patterson made a clarification. Our current ordinances allow for towing when you park in a place where parking is prohibited, or parking in front of an alley, driveway or driveway blocking in another car. We have time in the morning from 4:30 A.M. to 6:30 A.M. on

certain days of the week that we sweep the streets, so parking is prohibited during that time and you are subject to be towed. Towing is not necessarily in place for enforcing two-hour parking; that is a citation.

Mr. Mann stated that he will be supportive of anybody wanting to help him organize a meeting of the Wilrik and further discuss their needs and what is fair to all that are challenged. Maybe with coordination with Downtown Sanford, we will get that underway. This ordinance is to enact two-hour parking, not to penalize anyone for anything else.

Consider Approval for Fireworks Demonstration – (Exhibit K)

City Manager Hal Hegwer explained that Council has discussed the idea of a celebration in Downtown whenever the streetscape project was complete. We have picked a date for that and hope we are going to be able to work towards having a Downtown Street Fest and Fireworks Celebration.

Deputy Fire Chief Ken Cotten explained that in the agenda is information regarding the fireworks test fire demonstration scheduled for August 30, 2016, which will determine the prime location to benefit the entire City in celebration of the completion of the streetscape project. They received approval from the County Commissioners last night. They also asked the County Commissioners to prepare a resolution for the City of Sanford so that from this day forward, we do not have to go to the County Commissioners to ask for permission to have such an event in the city limits; this was approved also. The August 30 will be a small demonstration/shoot. There will 22 different shoots of which one will be held on Market Street (old Whitin-Roberts building-concrete slab) and the other on vacant property on First Street to determine which location is more visible.

Council Member Taylor made the motion to approve the fireworks demonstration. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins, the motion carried unanimously.

Downtown Executive Director Jennifer St. Clair stated that they are hoping to hold the Downtown Street Fest and Fireworks by October 7. A resolution to temporarily close off some streets downtown will be brought before Council to show off our new Downtown, revitalized streets, sidewalks, and lighting. There will be food vendors, beer vendors, a big stage with music playing, a kids area and about 8:30 P.M., everyone will move toward Moore Street and Depot Park. Lee County Orchestra will play while the fireworks go off. They plan to have a pep rally to kick it off that afternoon at 5:30 P.M.

Consider a Supplemental Agreement with the Department of Transportation for the Nash and Bragg Street Sidewalk Project – (Exhibit L)

City Engineer Paul Weeks stated this is a supplemental agreement with the Department of Transportation for a project that is finished. It is the sidewalk project in front of the high school and this is a paperwork cleanup supplemental agreement. The original supplemental agreement said we would be done December 2015. We did not meet that date because we were waiting on Windstream to get their utility out of the way so we could install sidewalk. When they finally got their work done, our contractor did not want to start the work because it was winter time. The

contractor started in April of this year and finished the project in June. This supplemental agreement extends the completion date from December 2015 to December 2016.

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins made the motion to approve the Supplemental Agreement with the Department of Transportation for the Nash and Bragg Street Sidewalk Project. Council Member Post seconded the motion.

Mr. Weeks made Council aware that the contractor for the Horner Boulevard Sidewalk project starts tomorrow and he has 90 days to complete it. It was part of the bond funds and DOT contribution. Ronnie Turner with Sandhills Contractors is finishing up the sidewalk project which involves all the bond funds in the amount of approximately \$1.5 million.

Mayor Mann mentioned that the Division of Water Infrastructure reviewed our application for the Asset Inventory and Assessment Grant Program. The State Water Infrastructure Authority approved our project as eligible to receive a grant in the amount of \$150,000 with a required match of 10 percent. Mr. Weeks explained that the loan agencies and grant agencies with the state are starting to require municipalities that want to borrow money or given grant money need to have some type of asset management program in place. There will probably come a time that when you do not check that box off, you do not get any money. We were able to apply for and received the \$150,000 to put towards an asset management tool and performing some testing on some of our lines. We were informed through our consultant that the state recommends that we put in for another planning grant on the water side and we will be submitting a planning grant in December.

The vote was unanimous to approve the Supplemental Agreement with the Department of Transportation for the Nash and Bragg Street Sidewalk Project.

DECISIONS ON PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Consideration of Adoption of an Ordinance Regarding Multiple Text Amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance to Allow for "Wine Shops".

- Amendment to Article 4, Table 4.6.-1 Permitted Use Matrix to add a new land use for "Wine Shops" and further indicate that wine shops shall be permitted in the Highway Commercial (HC), Light Commercial & Office (C-1), General Commercial (C-2), Central Business District (CBD), Light Industrial (LI) and Heavy Industrial (HI) zoning districts with supplemental development regulations.
- Amendment to Article 5, Supplemental Development Regulations, to create a new SECTION 5.43 WINE SHOPS, in order to add supplemental standards for wine shops allowed in Highway Commercial (HC), Light Commercial & Office (C-1), General Commercial (C-2), Central Business District (CBD), Light Industrial (LI) and Heavy Industrial (HI) zoning districts. Amendment to Appendix A Definitions, to add a definition for Wine Shops

➤ Consider Adoption of Ordinance Amending the City of Sanford Unified Development Ordinance – (Exhibit M)

Community Development Director Marshall Downey stated that the Planning Board just met and voted unanimously to adopt the ordinance. Council Member Norman Charles Post III requested to be recused from voting on this matter. So moved by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins, the motion carried unanimously to recuse Council Member Post from voting on this matter.

Council Member Wyhof made the motion to approve the amendment to the UDO. Seconded by Council Member Taylor, the motion carried unanimously with Council Member Post being recused from voting.

Consideration of Adoption of an Ordinance Regarding an Amendment to Article 11 Sign Regulations, Section 11.9 Outdoor Advertising (Billboard) Signs, to amend SECTION 11.9.1 STANDARDS FOR THE CITY OF SANFORD AND THE TOWN OF BROADWAY, by adding new Subsections and standards to allow nonconforming off-premises outdoor advertising (billboard) signs that existed as of July 1, 2016 within the City of Sanford to be modernized which may include replacement of the billboard sign with a new electronic/digital billboard sign, provided the modernization meets the Outdoor Advertising Control Act, and provided the sign is located in the same physical location of the pre-existing nonconforming sign. Note, SECTION 11.9.2 STANDARDS FOR LEE COUNTY shall remain in effect as written. Also, in conjunction with this amendment, Article 12, Section 12.5.1 Expansion of Nonconforming Structures, shall be amended to add a new Subsection 12.5.1.3 EXCEPTION FOR MODERNIZATION OF BILLBOARDS IN THE CITY OF SANFORD in accordance with Section 11.9.

- **Consider Adoption of Ordinance Amending Section 11.9 of the City of Sanford Unified Development Ordinance (Article 11) – (Exhibit N)**

Community Development Director Marshall Downey stated that the Planning Board met and recommended unanimously that Council approve the amendment to Article 11, Section 11.9 and Article 12 of the Unified Development Ordinance. Council Member Post made the motion to adopt the Ordinance Amending Section 11.9 of the City of Sanford Unified Development Ordinance (Article 11). Seconded by Council Member Buckels, the motion carried unanimously.

- **Consider Adoption of Ordinance Amending Article 12 of the City of Sanford Unified Development Ordinance – (Article 12) – (Exhibit O)**

Council Member Buckels made the motion to adopt the Ordinance Amending Article 12 of the City of Sanford Unified Development Ordinance – (Article 12). Seconded by Council Member Post, the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS – (Items for discussion and action will only be taken if necessary. Otherwise, these items will be placed on the next agenda for approval.)

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Haire mentioned that Domino's Pizza will be located on the property going south, just past the courthouse; it will be dine-in also. It will be a two-story building with offices on the second floor.

Council Member Taylor commented that he, Manager Hegwer, and IT Director John Clayton rode around the area today. He noted that we have a lot of properties that need some action. We have notifications that have been on houses since August 2015 and there is a lot of due diligence based on the NC General Statutes and the process we have to follow. A lot of houses have fallen below minimum repair. He hopes that we can support Code Enforcement staff and look at what we can do to augment their efforts.

Mayor Mann wrote a thank you letter to an out-of-town resident today who has done a miraculous job of cleaning up a major corridor property, which came from the works of Code Enforcement. He stated that he has been informed by the Sanford Area Growth Alliance that we have more activities and more large projects that could ultimately lead to some serious job creation.

ALL EXHIBITS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.

ADJOURNMENT

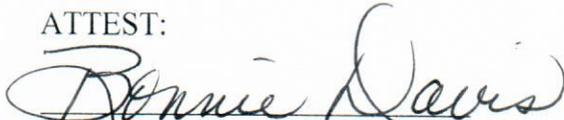
Council Member Williams made the motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



T. CHET MANN, MAYOR

ATTEST:


BONNIE DAVIS, CITY CLERK