

**CITY OF CAYCE
Special Meeting
November 27, 2007**

A Special meeting of Cayce City Council was held today at 3:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Those present included Mayor Avery B. Wilkerson, Jr., Councilmen James Jenkins, Robert Malpass, and Rick Myers, City Manager John C. Sharpe, Municipal Clerk, Tammy Barkley, and Municipal Treasurer, Garry Huddle. Councilman Ken Jumper was not present for the beginning of the meeting, but did arrive later. Mayor Wilkerson advised that members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the FOIA.

Mayor Wilkerson called the meeting to order. Mr. Malpass opened the meeting with the invocation and Mayor Wilkerson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. Approval of Resolution and Lease Note Contract for Capital Equipment

The City Manager advised that at the September 2006 Council meeting, Council awarded the low bid for the purchase of a new vacuum and water jet combo truck to Rodders and Jet Supply Co. in the amount of \$269,990.00. He stated that since the truck was a pre-emission truck, it was on back order for some time. He stated that the truck should be delivered to the City some time this week. He advised that bids were solicited for a capital lease/purchase contract for the equipment and that BB&T had submitted the lowest bid with a 3.19% rate for a 36-month contract. He stated that bid invitations were sent to Congaree State Bank, but no response was received from them. Mayor Wilkerson advised that Congaree State Bank uses an out of house firm for this type of financing. Mr. Malpass made a motion to approve the resolution and lease note contract for capital equipment awarding the bid to the low bidder, BB&T for a 36-month contract at 3.19%. Mr. Jenkins seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

B. Presentations by Public Relations Firms

Mayor Wilkerson stated that as the city continues to develop and move forward with so much happening on 12th Street, on I-77 with the county opening an industrial park and the farmers market, the city really needed to have someone if at all possible, give us some ideas on where

to take the city into the next decade. He stated that Council agrees that the city currently does not have anyone on staff with the time or expertise to do this and felt that at some point in time, the city would need to have someone who could do economic development and public relations full time. He stated that Council had asked staff to bring in some groups to make presentations to Council and provide their ideas on how they can help the city accomplish its goals as it moves forward in 2008. The City Manager advised that those who would be making presentations were selected by Council at a previous Council Meeting and presentations would be made in alphabetical order.

The Clare Morris Agency – Ms. Clare Morris and Ms. Karen Owens appeared before Council to make a presentation on providing PR services for the City.

Ferillo & Associates – Mr. Bud Ferillo and Ms. Geah Pressgrove appeared before Council to make a presentation on providing PR services for the City.

Mr. Jumper came in during Mr. Ferillo's presentation.

Solutions! Ink – Ms. Ann Addy and Mr. Nick Kask appeared before Council to make a presentation on providing PR services for the city.

Mayor Wilkerson advised each firm that the city was waiting on results from a citizens' survey being conducted by the University of South Carolina and that a decision on which firm to hire would probably be made in January 2008.

C. Presentation by Mr. Bob Milhous of FY2006/2007 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

Mr. Bob Milhous, the City's Auditor, appeared before Council to review the FY2006-2007 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). He provided Council with a very favorable unqualified report. The FY 2006-2007 CAFR was accepted by Council with no comment.

Mayor Wilkerson thanked Mr. Milhous for his time and effort. Mayor Wilkerson introduced Mr. Cliff LeBlanc who is now the city's media representative with The State.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Avery B. Wilkerson, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy P. Barkley, CMC, Municipal Clerk