City of Cayce Special Council Meeting September 14, 2010

A Special Council Meeting was held this afternoon at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers. Those presented included Mayor Elise Partin, Councilmen Steve Isom, James Jenkins, Interim City Manager Steve Brown, Municipal Clerk, Tammy Barkley, and Ken Knudsen, Director of Planning & Development. City Attorney, Danny Crowe was also in attendance. Councilmembers Jumper and Myers were not in attendance due to a conflict in schedules. Mayor Partin advised that members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the FOIA.

Mayor Partin opened the meeting and Mr. Jenkins gave the invocation. Mayor Partin led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Other

A. Approval of Text Amendment to the City of Cayce's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance to add the new Richland County FIRM Effective Date – First Reading

Mayor Partin, for the record, asked Mr. Knudsen to begin with providing an explanation of why a Special Council meeting was needed. Mr. Knudsen advised that the city was recently notified by SC DNR that FEMA has changed its rules and that a text amendment to the city's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance adding the new Richland County FIRM effective date was required to be passed by Council by no later than September 29, 2010. He stated that the procedure is that the Planning Commission would need to hold a public hearing and vote on a recommendation. Notification was received too late to schedule a public hearing at the August Planning Commission meeting, and the September meeting date was change to hold the public hearing earlier than the regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting. In order to meet the deadline, Mr. Knudsen stated that Council needed to schedule two special meetings to review the text amendment and have first and second readings of the Ordinance amendment. He stated that staff contacted SC DNR to request an extension on the September 29, 2010 deadline, but the request was denied.

Mr. Knudsen stated that the proposed amendments include clarification of Lexington County's Flood Insurance Study date, the addition of the Richland County's Flood Insurance Study date of September 29, 2010, and the rewording of Article III. Section E, paragraph 2. He stated the original wording was taken exactly as it appeared in FEMA's model ordinance. However, apparently there was a minor change that the city was not notified. He stated that the Planning Commission unanimously recommends approval of the text amendment. He stated there were no comments from

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the public and no meaningful discussion by the Commission on the issue. He stated that the Ordinance has to be exactly as FEMA requests otherwise the city's whole program is in jeopardy.

Councilmember Jenkins made a motion to approve the Text Amendment to the City of Cayce's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance as recommended. Councilmember Isom seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Mayor Partin asked that a copy of the changes highlighted be provided to Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

	Elise Partin, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Tammy P. Barkley, CMC, Municipal Clerk	