

Mayor Elise Partin	Mayor Pro-Tem Phil Carter	Council Members Tiffany Aull Byron Thomas Alice Rose	City Manager Michael Conley	Assistant City Manager Wesley Crosby
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**City of Cayce
Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, January 21, 2026**

The January 21, 2026, Regular Council Meeting was held this evening at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Those present included Mayor Elise Partin, Mayor Pro Tem Phil Carter and Council Members Byron Thomas, Tiffany Aull and Alice Rose. City Manager Michael Conley, Assistant City Manager Wesley Crosby, Municipal Clerk Mendy Corder, Finance Director Allison Barrs, Human Resources Director Keisha Brunson, Assistant City Manager/Utilities Director Betsy Catchings, IT Director Jamie Beckham and City Attorney James Smith were also in attendance.

Mayor Elise Partin asked if members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the FOIA. Ms. Corder confirmed they were notified.

Call to Order

Mayor Partin called the Regular Council meeting to order and Council Member Rose gave the invocation. City staff member and Air Force Veteran Vince Osborne led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Thomas made a motion to approve the December 2, 2025, Regular Council Meeting minutes with the addition of his comments regarding the appointment of the City Attorney. Council Member Aull seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Chief A.G. Dantzler Celebration of Life

Mayor Partin stated that it was with great sadness that she had to share that former Chief of Cayce Public Safety, A.G. Dantzler, passed away on January 10, 2026. She stated that Chief Dantzler began working with the Cayce Department of Public Safety in 1959 and after his retirement in 1998 he served as a Cayce volunteer fireman and as a Commissioner for the Cayce Historical Museum. She stated that Cayce's Police and Fire buildings bear the name of A.G. Dantzler and he was inducted into the South Carolina Law Enforcement Hall of Fame in 2023. In May 2024, the City of Cayce presented Chief Dantzler with the key to the City for his many years of dedication to public safety and his love for the community. Mayor Partin asked everyone to take a moment of silence to remember and honor Chief Dantzler as they also kept his wife of more than 60 years, Ms. Barbara, and his family and many friends in their thoughts, prayers and hearts.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Ordinances

- A. Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 2026-01 Amending the Zoning Map and Rezoning Property Located at 1109 F Avenue (Tax Map Number 004634-07-004) from C-1 to RS-3 – Second Reading

Council Member Thomas made a motion to approve the rezoning Ordinance. Council Member Rose seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

- B. Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 2026-02 Amending the Zoning Map and Rezoning Property Located Near the Intersection of Dunbar Road and Millen Street, Abutting 1401 Dunbar Road (Tax Map Number 005766-03-008) from M-1 to RG-2 – Second Reading

Council Member Thomas made a motion to approve the rezoning Ordinance. Council Member Rose seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Committee Matters

- A. Appointments

Cayce Museum and Historical Commission – One (1) Position

Mayor Pro Tem Carter made a motion to appoint Ms. Kasey Lawson to the Cayce Museum and Historical Commission. Council Member Rose seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

- B. Discussion and Approval of Waiver of Attendance Policy for Museum and Historical Commissioner

City Manager Conley stated that Ms. Charlita Earle had requested a waiver of the City's attendance policy for City Committee members so she could complete her graduate coursework.

Mayor Pro Tem Carter made a motion to approve waiving the attendance policy for Ms. Earle. Council Member Thomas seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Conley stated that the Cayce Historical Museum Commission was sponsoring a genealogy day on January 24 at the Cayce Museum. He stated that the Museum was also hosting a lecture series sponsored by the Cayce Historic Foundation on January 29.

Council Comments

Council Member Thomas stated that he along with the Center for Heirs was holding a free wills clinic at Mt. Zion Church of Cayce that Saturday. He stated that the previous week Lexington County Council's Committee of the Whole chaired by Cayce's County Councilman Todd Cullum, unanimously approved a support letter regarding the FEMA \$29 million hazard grant and he was sure the City would continue to try to work with the State to get more funding for that if approved for that grant. He stated that it was a one-time grant due to the damage from Hurricane Helene and if awarded, money from the grant could be used towards continuing the projects on the Avenues to fix the drainage. He stated that the litter pick-up day he held in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King was a huge success and he and the volunteers removed over 500 pounds of litter.

Council Member Aull stated that she had received several calls about the Shell Station on the corner of Knox Abbott Drive from people who had heard that the University of South Carolina bought that property and student housing was going there. She stated that she, nor to her knowledge, anyone on Council had been made aware of that. She stated that she also received a call regarding the Cayce Newz and Views social media page. She stated that page was not affiliated with the City of Cayce, so if anyone was looking for information from the City of Cayce, she would encourage them to go to the City's website.

Mayor Partin stated that the Shell property was not zoned for apartments and was zoned for commercial use only. She stated that before apartments could be built there the property would have to be rezoned which would have to go before the City's Planning Commission and then before Council and it would be a very public process. She stated that it had not come before Council and if it ever did the public would have a lot of information. Mayor Partin stated that recently she along with two Council Members attended the Broadacres Neighborhood Meeting and the City's Fire Department and Police Department were there as well. She stated that they were phenomenal in the way they spoke to the residents and helped them to feel supported. She thanked them and stated that they were really informative, but also very personable and approachable, and that was customer service that mattered.

Executive Session

- A. Receipt of legal advice regarding intergovernmental relations and Council's participation and representation in the Lexington County Municipal Association

B. Discussion of potential economic development project

Council Member Thomas made a motion to move into Executive Session. Council Member Rose seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Reconvene

After the Executive Session was concluded, Council Member Rose made a motion to reconvene the Regular meeting. Council Member Thomas seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Mayor Partin announced that no vote was taken in Executive Session other than to adjourn and resume the Regular meeting.

Adjourn

Council Member Aull made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Carter seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:54pm.

Elise Partin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mendy Corder, CMC, Municipal Clerk

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON A MATTER APPEARING ON THE
MEETING AGENDA, PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW
PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING.* THANK YOU.**

COUNCIL MEETING SPEAKERS' LIST

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

***Appearance of citizens at Council meetings - City of Cayce Code of Ordinances, Sec. 2-71.** Any citizen of the municipality may speak at a regular meeting of the council on a matter pertaining to municipal services and operation, with the exception of personnel matters, by notifying the office of the city manager at least five working days prior to the meeting and stating the subject and purpose for speaking. Additionally, during the **public comment period** as specified on the agenda of a regular meeting of the council, a member of the public may speak on a matter appearing on the meeting agenda, with the exception of personnel matters by signing a speakers list maintained by the city clerk prior to the start of the public comment period. The number of speakers at a council meeting may be limited in the discretion of the mayor or presiding officer, the length of time for any speaker's presentation is limited to a maximum of five minutes, and a presentation may be curtailed if determined to be uncivil, contentious, or disruptive in the discretion of the mayor or presiding officer or by majority of vote of council.