

**MINUTES OF
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
LORIS CITY HALL – CONFERENCE ROOM
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:	MAYOR	MICHAEL E. SUGGS
	COUNCIL	ANDREA L. COLEMAN
		JOAN S. GAUSE
		KELLI D. GERALD
		CARROLL D. PADGETT, JR.
		TONYA F. SYKES
		LEWIS C. HARDEE, JR.
PRESENT:	INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR	ANGEL R NEIGHBOURS
ABSENT:	CLERK	MELINDA T. PRICE
ABSENT:	ATTORNEY	JOHN C. ZILINSKY

CALL TO ORDER:

The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Suggs at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 21, 2025.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Councilman Padgett.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Suggs.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called by Mayor Suggs.

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Attorney John Zilinsky was unable to attend due to medical reasons. Attorney Brad Smith attended the meeting in Attorney John Zilinsky's absence. City Clerk Melinda T. Price did not attend the meeting. Councilman Lewis C Hardee, Jr arrived at 7:10 PM due to work.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Suggs stated that one legal matter and one contractual matter needed to be discussed in executive session. A motion was made by Councilwoman Gerald, seconded by Councilwoman Gause, to enter executive session at to discuss the legal and contractual matter. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. Motion passed. Councilman Hardee was not present for the vote. Council entered executive session at 7:04pm.

Councilman Hardee arrived at 7:10pm due to an obligation at work and joined council in executive session.

Upon returning from executive session at 8:19pm, a motion was made by Councilwoman Gause, seconded by Councilwoman Sykes to exit executive session and reconvene in open session. Mayor Suggs and all members voted favorably. Motion passed.

Mayor Suggs stated that in executive session council received an update on a pending legal matter from attorney Brad Smith and discussed a contractual matter. No vote and no action was taken in executive session

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gerald and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to authorize city attorney Brad Smith to enter negotiations with Horry County regarding a real estate matter. Mayor Suggs and all members voted favorably. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gause, seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to adjourn the Special City Council Meeting. Mayor Suggs and all members voted favorably. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

ATTEST:



MELINDA T. PRICE
CITY CLERK



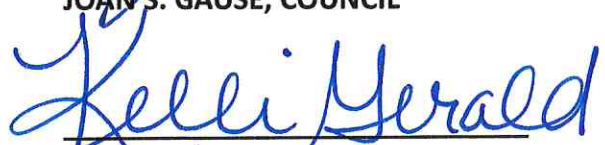
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