

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
OF THE
MANNING CITY COUNCIL**

Tuesday, August 3, 2010
6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
Manning City Hall

Members Present:

Mayor Johnson
Councilmember Georgia
Councilmember Gordon
Councilmember Pack
Councilmember Welle
Councilmember Witherspoon

Members Absent-

E=Excused/U=Unexcused:

Mayor Pro-tem Davis- E

- I. Welcome/Introductory Remarks:** Mayor Johnson welcomed all present and stated that the media was notified and acknowledged the following:

News Media: Bobby Baker, *The Item*.
Daniel Lackey, *The Manning Times*.

- II. Invocation:** Mr. Daniel Lackey.

- III. Pledge:** Councilmember Johnny E. Gordon.

IV. Approval of Agenda:

Mayor Johnson asked Council's permission to amend the agenda to move Item VI to Executive Session since it was an on-going contractual matter.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia to amend the agenda to move Item VI to Executive Session. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

V. Approval of Bid Award for Auditing Services:

Mayor Johnson stated that Council had agreed to advertise a request for auditing services for the city and noted that five proposals were received. Mayor Johnson stated that the Administrator, Finance Director and the Finance Committee ranked the firms individually and noted that one firm had the highest score.

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In addition, Mayor Johnson stated that the Committee would recommend that Council hire that firm to perform the city's audit for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010, with the option to extend the services for an additional two years. Next, Mayor Johnson asked Mrs. Rhodes to comment. Mrs. Rhodes stated that the city received five RFP's and that the highest ranking firm was The Hobbs Group from Columbia, SC. Mrs. Rhodes stated that Cline Brandt Kochenower & Co., PA was ranked number 2 and that McGregor and Company, L.L.P. was ranked number 3.

A **motion** was made by the Committee to recommend that Council approve the selection of The Hobbs Group as the city's auditor. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

VI. Discussion of EDA Grant Application for Have Faith Community Development Corporation:

This item was moved to Executive Session.

VII. Executive Session:

1) Utility Department: Contractual Matters.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Gordon and was seconded by Councilmember Welle to enter into Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter in the Utility Department and a contractual matter dealing with the Have Faith Community Development Corporation. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

Time: 6:10 p.m.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Witherspoon and was seconded by Councilmember Welle to come out of Executive Session. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

Time: 7:40 p.m.

VIII. Adjournment:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia to adjourn. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

Time: 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daun Davis
Administrative Services Coordinator/Clerk