

# Town of Hilton Head Island U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee Wednesday, November 17, 2021, 10:00 a.m. AGENDA

The Town Council meeting will be conducted virtually and can be viewed on the <u>Town of</u> Hilton Head Island Public Meetings Facebook Page.

- 1. Call to Order
- **2. FOIA Compliance:** Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of Hilton Head Island.
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Approval of the Agenda
- 5. Approval of the Minutes
  - **a.** February 5, 2020
- 6. Presentation of Refined Local Concepts and Recommendations for the William Hilton Parkway Gateway Corridor Project
- 7. Appearance by Citizens

Citizens who wish to address the Committee must contact the Town Clerk at 843.341.4701 no later than 9:00 a.m. the day of the meeting. Citizens should be prepared to provide (i) full spelling of first and last name, (ii) phone number and email address, and (iii) topic or item you will be addressing.

Citizens may also submit written comments via the <u>Town's Open Town Hall Portal</u>. The portal will also close at 9:00 a.m. the day of the meeting. Comments submitted through the portal will be shared with Town Council and made part of the official record.

- 8. Chairman's Comments
- 9. Adjournment



#### Town of Hilton Head Island

# **U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee**

Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Benjamin M. Racusin Council Chambers

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**Present From the Committee:** David Johnson, Jr., *Chairman;* Sarah Steward, *Co-Chair;* Frank Babel, Alex Brown, Tom Crews, Craig Forrest, Hannah Horne, Tom Peeples, Kyle Theodore, Brendan Reilley, John Taylor, *Members;* 

**Absent from Committee:**; Jerry Cutrer, David Lunka, *Members; Marc Grant, Hilton Head Island Liaison; Larry McElynn, Beaufort County Liaison;* Dan Wood, *Bluffton Liaison*;

**Present from Town Council & Town Staff:** David Ames, *Town Council;* Charles Cousins, *Assistant to the Town Manager*, Shawn Colin, *Director of Community Development;* Anne Cyran, *Senior Planner;* Sheryse DuBose, *Historic Neighborhoods Preservation Administrator;* Krista Wiedmeyer, *Exec. Assistant/Town Clerk* 

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. FOIA Compliance – Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and mailed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act and the Town of Hilton Head Island requirements.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes - January 29, 2020

Mr. Crews moved to approve. Mr. Peeples seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

## 4. Interim Report and Strategy Recommendations to Town Council

Chairman Johnson opened the discussion noting that everything included in the document was pulled together from all the recommendations/drafts reviewed in the previous meetings. He said that he felt the only thing that really needed to be discussed was the cover letter to be included.

Several members of the committee noted that the cover letter was ok, needed a little more "tweaking" but overall was ok. The biggest concerns the committee had was with the recommendations going forward to Town Council for consideration. Members noted that they wanted to tell a story of here is what happened and here is where we are going. Most members felt the language contained therein should be stronger and requested that the Town have more authority when it comes to the project and communications to the SCDOT. During the meeting, the committee made some revisions to the documentation and recommendations being sent to the Town Council. After several different motions were considered, Mr. Babel moved to accept the document as written, but modifying the language throughout the materials to include business owners and operators. Mr. Peeples seconded. After much discussion and consideration, Mr. Peeples asked the Chair to call the vote. The motion carried by a vote of 9-2, Mrs. Stewart and Mr. Brown opposing.

#### 5. Chairman's Comments

Chairman Johnson stated that he would be working with Town staff to finalize the changes and a copy of the final recommendations would be provided to the Committee prior to being presented to the Town Council.

#### 6. Public Comment

Chairman Johnson opened the discussion to questions and comments from the general public. The public at large addressed the committee, making statements as they related to their concerns of the project as a whole. There was still public request for the Town/County to pay for an independent traffic study and supply it to the SCDOT once completed. Chairman Johnson, said that he thought the Committee had made it clear during the last meeting, that a recommendation would not be made to include an additional independent study. Many members of the Committee acknowledged that an independent study at this junction would not be appropriate at this time, but maybe after the preferred alternative was released. Chairman Johnson repeated and noted that in the recommendation that was being submitted to Council for review, would not include such a recommendation.

7. Adjournment - The meeting concluded and was adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Submitted by: Krista Wiedmeyer, Exec. Assistant/Town Clerk

