



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022 | 6 PM

3rd committee meeting

The Committee will meet in Mauldin City Hall at 5 East Butler Road in the Council Chambers at 6 p.m.

The meeting will be available remotely through Zoom. Please visit the City's website at <https://cityofmauldin.org/your-government/meeting-minutes-agendas/> to access the meeting via audio and videoconferencing.
A quorum of Council will be present.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2022, 6PM
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5 E. BUTLER ROAD**

Committee Members: Carol King (Chair), Frank Allgood, and Jason Kraeling

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| 1. <u>Call to Order</u> | The Honorable Carol King |
| 2. <u>Public Comment</u> | The Honorable Carol King |
| 3. <u>Reading and Approval of Minutes</u> | The Honorable Carol King |
| a. Public Safety Committee Meeting: August 1, 2022
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| 4. <u>Reports or Communications from City Officers</u> | The Honorable Carol King |
| a. Fire Chief Brian McHone | |
| i. Budget Review | |
| b. Clerk of Court | |
| i. Budget Review | |
| c. Police Chief George Miller | |
| i. Budget Review | |
| 5. <u>Unfinished Business</u> | The Honorable Carol King |
| There is no unfinished business. | |
| 6. <u>New Business</u> | The Honorable Carol King |
| a. Open Burning Ordinance [Pages | |
| b. Bid for K9 car upfit [Pages | |
| c. Bid for Police Car upfit [Pages | |
| d. Record Retention Schedule [Pages | |
| e. Contract with DJJ [Pages | |
| 7. <u>Public Comment</u> | The Honorable Carol King |
| 8. <u>Committee Concerns</u> | The Honorable Carol King |
| 9. <u>Adjournment</u> | |

MINUTES
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
AUGUST 1, 2022, 6PM
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5 E. BUTLER ROAD
3rd meeting

Committee Members present: Carol King (Chair), Frank Allgood, and Jason Kraeling
Others present: Fire Chief Brian McHone, Police Chief George Miller, Interim City Administrator Rebecca Vance

1. Call to Order- Chairwoman King
2. Public Comment- None
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes
 - a. Public Safety Committee Meeting: July 5, 2022

Motion: Councilman Kraeling made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Allgood seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

4. Reports or Communications from City Officers
 - a. Fire Chief Brian McHone
 - i. Budget Review

The budget is on track.

Hydroseeding has been done at the new fire station.

The fire department went to Mauldin High School band camp and sprayed the members with water in the hot afternoon.

- b. Police Chief George Miller
 - i. Budget Review- The department is under budget.

The Youth Academy went well. Citizens' Academy will start in October.
National Night Out is tomorrow evening.

Officer Sefcik brought Margo to the meeting for an update. The department received her on April 28th of this year. She is being used about 50% of the time on calls. She participates in community outreach, calls for service, employee wellness, and even business crime prevention. They are LEAP certified. Margo has passed her beginner and intermediate classes. She will go to Florida for her therapy dog certification.

Her food is 100% paid for by Hollywood Feed for the rest of her life. Roper Mountain Animal Hospital will cover her vet costs for the rest of her life. She goes to Paws and Claws for Grooming, and Astro Kennels is providing training for her. Never Forget 911 Foundation is going to raise money for her K9 Equipment and vehicle.

Several agencies in South Carolina have contacted us and North Charleston PD for contact with Leslie's Goldendoodles, Margo's breeder. One department in Illinois has also contacted us for help with their therapy dog program.

Margo Monday will be a reading program for K-5th grade where she will go and have the students read to Margo for practice. Officer Sefcik is also working on a motorcycle awareness week in honor of Officer Gotowka.

Chairwoman King said there is a young girl in the community who has cancer. Margo went to visit her. Chairwoman King said she was so happy to see that the little girl was smiling and able to play with Margo and she made her feel better while going through treatments.

5. Unfinished Business- There is no unfinished business.

6. New Business

a. Clemson University Mutual Aid Agreement

We have assisted Clemson University with their home football games for about 15 years. Council approves the mutual aid agreement every year.

Motion: Councilman Kraeling made a motion to send this item to Council with Councilman Allgood seconding.

Councilman Allgood asked how this impacts the community here. Chief Miller answered this is for off-duty officers and does not affect the City's police presence.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

b. Open Burning Permit for Adams Glen

Terra Flex Group is the developer for Adams Glen and has asked for a burn permit. This property is off of Ashmore Bridge Road. No open burning is allowed in the City so a permit must be approved by Council.

Councilman Allgood asked if the land is over 5 acres and if what would be burned is native to the site. Andy Brown from Terra Flex answered that the property is 108 acres and most of what will be burned is dead debris. Mr. Brown thinks it will take 5-6 days to burn.

Motion: Councilman Allgood made a motion to send this item to Council with Councilman Kraeling seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

7. Public Comment- None
8. Committee Concerns- Mr. Allgood thanked Judge Martin for her service to the City. Chairwoman King asked if the Building Codes committee could look at the possibility of striking the open burn permit approval from Council from the codes. She believes staff is able to make this decision without Council direction.
9. Adjournment- Chairwoman King adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: September 6, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: 6a

TO: Public Safety Committee
FROM: Chief Brian McHone
SUBJECT: Amend Standards for Open Burning

REQUEST

To consider an ordinance to amend certain standards pertaining to open burning.

HISTORY/BACKGROUND

The City of Mauldin's current code of ordinances states all open burn permits must be approved by City Council. In last month's Public Safety Committee meeting, there was discussion to remove this requirement from the code.

ANALYSIS or STAFF FINDINGS

City Attorney Daniel Hughes has reviewed the draft ordinance to remove the requirement for Council approval of open burning.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

RECOMMENDATION

Forward to Council for approval on first reading

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed ordinance

ORDINANCE # _____

AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 20, ARTICLE I, GENERAL FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION, OF THE MAULDIN CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND CERTAIN STANDARDS PERTAINING TO OPEN BURNING AND FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the Mauldin City Council at various times reviews the city ordinances to make necessary improvements and/or changes; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Mauldin recognizes the need to impose regulations pertaining to open burning in order to protect public health, safety, and general welfare; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Mauldin finds that the following amendments to Chapter 20, Article I promote the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens and residents of the City of Mauldin.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Mauldin, South Carolina, in council assembled and by the authority thereof that the Mauldin Municipal Code be amended as follows:

Section 1 Amendment. Amend Chapter 20, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article I, In General, as follows (*language that is ~~struck through~~ is language proposed to be deleted, underlined language is language proposed to be added, language is not ~~struck through~~ or underlined is not to be changed, and *** represents sections of the Zoning Ordinance that have been skipped and remain unchanged*):

CHAPTER 20 – FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

ARTICLE I. – IN GENERAL

Sec. 20-8. – Open burning.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to start, or cause to be started, an open fire to burn any woodlands, brush, grass, structures, leaves, debris or other matter, except as provided in this section.
- (b) The city fire department may burn for official training purposes.
- (c) The city may issue a burning permit, at its discretion, for the burning of trees, brush, and undergrowth on land in excess of five acres where such land has been cleared for development, under the following conditions:
 - (1) Burning for land clearing shall only be performed by a contractor duly licensed in the state of South Carolina. The applicant shall give the city notice in writing of all information required by the city. This notice shall include, but not be

limited to, the location of the proposed burn, the material to be burned, the times and dates of the proposed burn, and the location of public roads, streets, property lines, and dwellings in the proximity of the burn.

- (2) The applicant shall clear the area around the burn site and have immediately available sufficient equipment and personnel to adequately secure the fire and prevent its spread. If, in the opinion of the fire department, it is necessary for the city to send fire department equipment to the burn site, the applicant shall be responsible to pay for the reasonable cost thereof, as determined by the city. Should burning become a danger to life or to property, the city may, without prior notice, put out the fire.
- (3) Only debris generated from the site may be burned. No matter may be burned which is not native to the site. No materials shall be burned in violation of any DHEC regulations.
- (4) The applicant shall conduct the burn at such location and under such conditions that smoke or fumes will not go onto any roadway or the property of others and not pose a health or environmental hazard. Weather, atmospheric conditions and recent rainfall shall also be factors to be considered. Burning is permitted only during such weather conditions as may deemed favorable for burning by the chief of the fire department. Should adverse weather conditions arise after the commencement of burning, the contractor shall put out any fires if directed to do so by the chief of the fire department or his or her designee.
- (5) No burning shall be carried out during any period which the governor or other authorized official has declared that an emergency exists in connection with forest fires or open burning.
- (6) The applicant agrees to be fully responsible for any damages or injuries to others as a result of the burning activity. The city requires the applicant to provide proof of liability insurance through an insurance company licensed with the state of South Carolina in such amounts as determined by the city and not less than \$300,000.00.
- (7) The city may impose such other conditions and restrictions as are deemed appropriate based on the type and size of the proposed burn.
- (8) The chief of the fire department and city administrator are authorized to establish additional rules and regulations for burning permits. Should the contractor or anyone else conducting a burning operation fail to comply with any directions or conditions set by the chief or city administrator, the burning operation shall immediately cease.
- (9) The applicant will pay a permit fee, if any, as determined by resolution of the city council. The permit shall be valid for a period of 30 days from the date of issuance. ~~No permit shall be issued without the approval of the city council.~~

- (d) This section shall not prohibit cooking fires built in fireplaces, grills or barbecue pits which shall be kept under competent and continuous supervision.
- (e) The city may issue permits for open fires as part of special events under such terms and conditions as provided by the city.
- (f) Any person violating any provision of this section shall be subject to the penalties provided for in Chapter 1, Section 1-6 of this Code.

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective upon and after its final passage.

Passed on First Reading: _____

Passed on Second Reading: _____

CITY OF MAULDIN, SOUTH CAROLINA

BY: _____
Terry Merritt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Miller, Municipal Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Daniel Hughes, City Attorney

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: September 06, 2022
AGENDA ITEM: 6b

TO: Public Safety Committee
FROM: Chief George Miller
SUBJECT: Award Bid for the Upfit of the K-9 Vehicle

REQUEST

Approve the bid for the upfit of the K-9 Vehicle to Unique Lighting Solutions in Spartanburg.

HISTORY/BACKGROUND

An RFP was sent out through different sources for the upfit of the K-9 Vehicle as per city policy. A time frame was set for the quotes to be sent in.

ANALYSIS or STAFF FINDINGS

At the date of the deadline only one business, Unique Lighting Solutions, had turned in a quote. They met all specifications that were required for the RFP.

FISCAL IMPACT

See RFP Book that will be provided.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends we accept the quote from Unique Lighting Solutions and award the bid to them.

ATTACHMENTS

RFP Book will be provided