

MINUTES
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
NOVEMBER 12, 2012
CONFERENCE ROOM D
5:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting date, time, place and agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Council Office and made available to the newspapers, radio stations and television stations and concerned citizens.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN, BOB TAYLOR
JIM BURNS
SID CATES
BUTCH KIRVEN
WILLIS MEADOWS

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
JOE KERNELL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
WENDY MCNATT, SOLID WASTE
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET MANAGER
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
DAN POWELL, PLANNING
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY
KIM WUNDER, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Taylor called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Meadows provided the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 6, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

GRANT APPLICATIONS:

SC HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM GRANT:

This is SC Hospital Preparedness Program Grant in the amount of \$48,364.94. The grant will be used to purchase radios and digital cameras for the Coroner's Office. This grant does not require a County match.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager, was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the SC Hospital Preparedness Program Grant in the amount of \$48,354.94. The motion carried unanimously.

2013 COMMUNITY PRIDE GRANT – SOLID WASTE:

This is the 2013 Community Pride Grant in the amount of \$6,460. The grant will allow the Solid Waste Division to provide promotional materials and supplies for several recycling and anti-litter programs and recycling bins to schools and the community for special events. The grant does not require a County match.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager and Wendy McNatt, Solid Waste, were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the 2013 Community Pride Grant in the amount of \$6,460. The motion carried unanimously.

2013 COMMUNITY PRIDE GRANT – SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION:

This is the 2012 Community Pride Grant in the amount of \$9,000. This grant request is being divided between the Sheriff's Office (\$5,000) and the Historic Preservation Commission (\$4,000). The Sheriff's Office would use the funds to purchase equipment and acquire Litter Enforcement Training. The Historic Preservation Commission would use the funds to purchase a historical marker.

Dan Powell, Planning Department and Dr. Anne Peden, Chairman of the Historic Preservation Commission, were present to answer questions of the committee.

Mr. Powell requested to withdraw the \$5,000 portion of the grant for the Sheriff's Office. The grant request was only for \$4,000 for the Historic Preservation Commission.

Councilor Cates asked if there had been any consideration given to placing a marker in the northern area of the county for Dicey Langston. He asked that the Historic Preservation Commission consider the request for a marker for Ms. Langston in the future.

Councilor Burns moved to approve the 2013 Community Pride Grant in the amount of \$4,000 for the Historic Preservation Commission for the purchase of a historical marker. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilor Burns moved to go into executive session at 5:44 to discuss a contractual matter. The motion carried unanimously.

This Finance committee came out of executive session at 5:55.

PROJECT GUARDIAN:

Councilor Burns moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax and incentive agreement between Greenville County and Project Guardian and a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of fee in lieu of tax and incentive agreement between Greenville County and Project Guardian. The motion carried unanimously.

ARENA DISTRICT BOARD CAPITAL PLAN:

This is an ordinance which consents to the issuance by the Greenville Arena District of one or more Series of Accommodations Fee Revenue Bonds, approves an Intergovernmental Agreement among Greenville County, Greenville Arena District, The City of Greenville and an escrow agent, approves an Escrow Agreement among Greenville County, The City of Greenville and an escrow agent and amends Ordinance No. 2594 which established the implementation and collection of a Local Accommodations Fee.

Joe Kernell, County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee. Michael Cawley, Financial Advisor and Jeff Gilstrap, Chairman, Arena District Board were also present to answer questions.

Councilor Burns moved to approve the ordinance which consents to the issuance by the Greenville Arena District of one or more Series of Accommodations Fee Revenue Bonds, approves an Intergovernmental Agreement among Greenville County, Greenville Arena District, The City of Greenville and an escrow agent, approves an Escrow Agreement among Greenville County, The City of Greenville and an escrow agent and amends Ordinance No. 2594 which established the implementation and collection of a Local Accommodations Fee. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:12.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Payne
Executive Assistant