

MINUTES  
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
FEBRUARY 11, 2013  
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, WILLIS MEADOWS  
JIM BURNS  
SID CATES  
BUTCH KIRVEN  
BOB TAYLOR

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

NONE

**OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

XANTHENE NORRIS

**STAFF PRESENT:**

JIM DORRIETY, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
BROOKE FERGUSON, CODES AND COMPLIANCE  
JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
JACKIE KELETT, FORENSICS DIRECTOR  
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET MANAGER  
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT  
SHELLY SIMMONS, ANIMAL CARE SERVICES  
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
SANDRA YUDICE, ASSISTANT TO COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**INVOCATION**

Councilor Taylor provided the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 20, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

**MEETING DATES/TIMES:**

Chairman Meadows requested suggestions from the committee regarding the meeting day and time for the Finance Committee. Councilor Taylor moved to keep the Finance Committee the same; the meetings will be scheduled for the Monday opposite Council week at 5:30 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

**GRANT APPLICATIONS:**

**SC PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM GRANT:**

This is the SC Public Health Preparedness Program Grant in the amount of \$38,700. The grant would allow the Greenville County Emergency Operations Center to develop a countywide hazard vulnerability assessment. The grant does not require a county match.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager and Jay Marett, Emergency Preparedness were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilman Taylor moved to approve the SC Public Health Preparedness Program Grant in the amount of \$38,700. The motion carried unanimously.

**JUVENILE ACCOUNTALIBITY BLOCK GRANT:**

This is the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant in the amount of \$184,320. The grant would allow the Greenville County Detention Center to fund five security staff positions for a Juvenile Detention Center. Funds are also requested for training, operational items, and equipment. The grant requires a county match of \$18,435.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager and Jim Dorriety, Assistant County Administrator were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Burns moved to approve the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant in the amount of \$184,320. The motion carried unanimously.

**SC JAG – POLICE OFFICER SAFETY EQUIPMENT:**

This is the SC JAG Police Officer Safety Equipment Grant in the amount of \$21,905. The grant would allow the Greenville County Public Safety Department to replace/purchase police officer safety equipment such as firearms, two-way radio equipment and mobile data terminal. The grant requires a county match of \$2,192.

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

Councilor Burns moved to approve the SC JAG Police Officer Safety Equipment Grant in the amount of \$21,905. The motion carried unanimously.

**ASPCA LOST AND FOUND PET INITIATIVE GRANT:**

This is the ASPCA Lost and Found Pet Initiative Grant in the amount of \$27,200. The grant would allow Animal Care Services to introduce a proactive redemption and pet reclamation service with the goal to reduce euthanasia and increase the return to owner rate by 2% at least in the first year with a long term goal to increase the rate of returns to owners by 10% or higher within five years. The grant would also fund a lost and found coordinator and funding to operate a monthly microchip and ID tag day. The grant requires a county match of \$6,390.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager and Shelly Simmons, Animal Care Services were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the ASPCA Lost and Found Pet Initiative Grant in the amount of \$27,200. The motion carried unanimously.

**OUR TOWN - ARTS ON TRAILS CONNECTING COMUNITIES:**

This is a request to ratify submission of the application to the National Endowment for the Arts. The total grant is for \$290,318. The grant would fund the placement of creative public art on the Swamp Rabbit Trail. The grant requires a county match of \$20,000 and in-kind services of \$18,872.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager and Sandra Yudice, Assistant to the County Administrator were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Burns moved to approve ratifying submission of the application to the National Endowment for the Arts in the amount of \$290,318. The motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS:**

This is an ordinance for the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$25,000,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended, the payment thereof and other matters relating thereto. The refinancing of the Series 2004, 2004A, 2005, and 2005A General Obligation bonds result in a savings of approximately \$1,225,000.

John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator and Brad Love, Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Burns moved to approve the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$25,000,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended, the payment thereof and other matters relating thereto. The motion carried unanimously.

**FIFTH SUPPLEMETNAL ORDINANCE – SCTAC:**

This is a Fifth Supplemental Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of a not exceeding \$425,000 Revenue Refunding Bond (Series 2013A) and a not exceeding \$2,000,000 Revenue Bond (Series 2013B) for South Carolina Technology and Aviation Center Project. The Series 2013A bonds allow for a savings in debt service through the refunding of the Series 2008 bond and the 2013B bonds shall establish a construction fund for the acquisition of land and the construction of facilities at SCTAC.

**FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDINANCE – SCTAC CONT'D:**

John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator and Brad Love, Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd were present to answer questions of the committee

Councilor Cates moved to approve the Fifth Supplemental Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of a not exceeding \$425,000 Revenue Refunding Bond (Series 2013A) and a not exceeding \$2,000,000 Revenue Bond (Series 2013B) for South Carolina Technology and Aviation Center Project. The motion carried unanimously.

**AMENDED GADC BYLAWS:**

This is a request to amend the bylaws of the Greenville Area Development Corporation.

Jerry Howard, GADC President, Jo Hackl and Bob Howard, Board Members were present to answer questions of the committee.

After some discussion, Councilor Taylor moved to approve the amended bylaws of the Greenville Area Development Corporation. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Cates mentioned the Local Government Funding and asked staff about the outlook for Greenville County.

There being no further business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:17.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vanessa Payne  
Executive Assistant