

GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
JULY 13, 2020
4:00 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.

The Finance Committee met remotely to handle requests submitted to the committee for consideration.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN BOB TAYLOR
SID CATES
BUTCH KIRVEN
WILLIS MEADOWS
XANTHENE NORRIS
LIZ SEMAN

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET MANAGER
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY
NICOLE WOOD, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Taylor called the Finance Committee meeting to order.

INVOCATION:

Councilor Meadows provided the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the minutes of June 8, 2020 and June 16, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

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GRANT APPLICATIONS:

HUMAN SOCIETY OF THE US (HSUS) #SPAY TOGETHER/NEUTER GRANT:

This is the Humane Society of the US #Spay Together/Neuter Grant in the amount of \$3,090. The funds will be used by Animal Care Services to provide 96 free spay and neuter surgeries to the under-served communities in Greenville County. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Seman moved to approve the Humane Society of the US #Spay Together/Neuter Grant in the amount of \$3,090. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2021 SOLID WASTE EDUCATION/OUTREACH GRANT:

This is the FY2021 Solid Waste Grant in the amount of \$10,000. The funds will be used for an outreach and educational campaign to promote the existing food scrap recycling program at Enoree Residential Waste and Recycling Center. 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 FY2021 Solid Waste Educational Grant in the amount of \$10,000. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2021 USED OIL GRANT:

This is the FY2021 Used Oil Grant in the amount of \$13,420. The funds will be used to promote oil, oil filter and oil recycling. Funds will also be used to provide information related to the environmental importance of recycling used oil and all locations available for recycling. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Norris moved to approve the FY2021 Used Oil Grant in the amount of \$13,420. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2021 WASTE TIRE GRANT:

This is the FY2021 Waste Tire Grant in the amount of \$572,250. The grant will fund the Solid Waste Division's contractor costs for current generation tires and provide funds for professional development and public education in the area of waste tire reduction and recycling. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Seman moved to approve the FY2021 Waste Tire Grant in the amount of \$572,250. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2020/2021 ACCOMMODATIONS TAX RECOMMENDATIONS:

This is a request to allocate the remaining funds of the FY2021 Accommodations Tax in the amount of \$28,500. The Advisory Committee recommended that allocations be distributed as follows: Discover Upcountry Carolina - \$15,000, Upcountry History Museum - \$6,750 and Ville to Ville - \$6,750.

B.J. Koonce, Chair, Advisory Committee was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Cates moved to approve the Advisory Committee's recommendation to distribute the funds as follows: Discover Upcountry Carolina - \$15,000, Upcountry History Museum - \$6,750 and Ville to Ville - \$6,750. The motion carried unanimously.

GREATER GREENVILLE SANITATION MILLAGE AND FEE REQUEST:

Greater Greenville Sanitation is requesting an increase of five-tenths mill which represents CPI and population growth of 3.55% as allowed by Section 6-1-320A of the South Carolina Code of Laws and the implementation of a proposed annual recycling fee of \$30 for residential and \$50 for commercial properties to offset recycling disposal costs.

Steve Cole, Executive Director was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Meadows moved to explore the feasibility of lowering the recycling fee to \$5.00 per month rather than \$30.

Councilor Cates moved to approve holding a public hearing and approving a resolution to increase the millage rate. The motion includes Greater Greenville Sanitation providing some additional options regarding recycling. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Finance Committee went into executive session at 4:40 to discuss contractual matters. The committee came out of executive session at 5:17.

PROJECT TUESDAY:

Councilor Seman moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County and Project Tuesday. The motion carried unanimously.

PROJECT LIGHTHOUSE:

Councilor Seman moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County and Project Lighthouse. The motion carried unanimously.


SPAN PACKAGING SERVICES, LLC:

Councilor Seman moved to approve consenting to the assignment of the fee in lieu of tax agreement between Greenville County, Span Packaging Services, LLC and Mdth Circuit, LLC. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:19.

Respectfully submitted,



Vanessa Payne
Executive Assistant