

MINUTES
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
MAY 8, 2023
5:00 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.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN, BUTCH KIRVEN
VICE CHAIRMAN, LIZ SEMAN
BENTON BLOUNT
ENNIS FANT
CHRIS HARRISON

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

DAN TRIPP

STAFF PRESENT:

JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
SHANNON HERMAN, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
JOE KERNELL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
REGINA MCCASKILL, CLERK TO COUNTY COUNCIL
IMMA NWOBODU, GREENVILLE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Kirven called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

INVOCATION:

Councilor Seman provided the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilor Seman moved to approve the regular minutes of April 24, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

GRANT APPLICATIONS:

PETCO LOVE GRANT:

This is the Petco Love Grant in the amount of \$65,000. The grant funds provide Greenville County Animal Care Services a livesaving investment from Petco Love to be used for live-saving purposes. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Harrison moved to approve the Petco Love Grant in the amount of \$65,000. The motion carried unanimously.

BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF SOUTH CAROLINA FOUNDATION GRANT:

This is the BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Foundation Grant in the amount of \$223,501. The grant funds will be used by EMS to purchase an electronic quality improvements program (called FirstWatch and FirstPass) to improve the department's ability to monitor patient care, identify areas of improvement, and capture patient safety concerns. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Harrison moved to approve the BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Foundation Grant in the amount of \$223,501. The motion carried unanimously.

UPSTATE HEALTH COALITION GRANT:

This is the Upstate Health Coalition Grant in the amount of \$76,000. The grant funds will be used by EMS to coordinate Advanced Hazmat Life Support Training classes. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Harrison moved to approve the Upstate Health Coalition Grant in the amount of \$76,000. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2023 DNA CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT AND BACKLOG REDUCTION PROGRAM:

This is the FY2023 Waste Tire Grant in the amount of \$130,673. This grant would fund overtime, associated benefits, supplies, and accreditation fees for the DNA Lab to continue to offer forensic biology/DNA services to regional upstate SC agencies at a no-cost basis; reduce backlog of forensic biology/DNA cases; and continue to meet accreditation standards. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Harrison moved to approve the FY2023 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program Grant in the amount of \$130,673. The motion carried unanimously.

GREENVILLE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – FY2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN:

This is a request to approve the FY2023 Annual Action Plan from the Greenville County Redevelopment Authority. The Annual Action plans requires Council approval for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for approval.

Imma Nwobodu, GCRA, gave a presentation of the FY2023 Annual Action Plan and answered questions of the committee.

Councilor Seman moved to approve the FY2023 Annual Action Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilor Seman moved to go into executive session at 5:41 to discuss contractual matters. The committee came out of executive session at 5:58.

PROJECT BLUE:

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 Blue. The motion carried unanimously.

UNITED COMMUNITY BANK:

Councilor Seman moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a First Amendment to a Fee In Lieu of Tax and Special Source Credit Agreement between Greenville County and United Community Bank. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:02. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Vanessa Payne
Executive Assistant