



Richland County Council
ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 21, 2024 – 6:00 PM
Council Chambers
2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

COMMITTEE COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Overture Walker, Chair; Derrek Pugh, Paul Livingston, and Don Weaver

NOT PRESENT: Yvonne McBride

OTHERS PRESENT: Allison Terracio, Cheryl English, Gretchen Barron, Jesica Mackey, Jason Branham, Ashiya Myers, Michelle Onley, Angela Weathersby, Lori Thomas, Anette Kirylo, Patrick Wright, Ashley Fullerton, Tamar Black, Jennifer Wladischkin, Kyle Holsclaw, Jackie Hancock, Leonardo Brown, Dale Welch, Michael Maloney, Shirani Fuller, Michael Byrd, Peter Cevallos, John Thompson, Chelsea Bennett, Bill Davis, and Quinton Epps

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Councilman Overture Walker called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. April 23, 2024 – Mr. Livingston moved to approve the minutes as distributed, seconded by Mr. Weaver.
In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker
Not Present: McBride
The vote in favor was unanimous.
3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – Mr. Weaver moved to adopt the agenda as published, seconded by Mr. Pugh.
In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker
Not Present: McBride
The vote in favor was unanimous.
4. **ITEMS FOR ACTION**
 - a. Department of Public Works – Engineering Division – Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program – Road Rehabilitation Award – Ms. Shirani Fuller, County Engineer, stated the Department of Public Works requested bids from qualified contractors for rehabilitation services for 5.93 miles of county-owned roads. The services provided under the contract will be curb and gutter repair, sidewalk repair, full-depth patching, milling of existing asphalt, asphalt resurfacing, and replacing all markings. The project is funded through the County Transportation Committee (CTC). The lowest responsive, responsible bidder was Asphalt Paving and Maintenance Company. The bid came in under the grant amount, leaving a 22.5% contingency.
Ms. Barron inquired how the roads were chosen.
Ms. Fuller indicated they were selected during the annual Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program process. Generally, they look at each district's pavement conditions and the district's available funding. The recommendations are then brought to committee and ultimately Council for approval.
Mr. Livingston moved to forward to Council a recommendation to award the resurfacing package "Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program—Road Rehabilitation" to Asphalt Paving and Maintenance Company at the bid price of \$2,436,050.32, seconded by Mr. Weaver.
In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker
Not Present: McBride
The vote in favor was unanimous.

- b. Department of Public Works – Engineering – Springwood Lakes Dam Rehab Design Services – Ms. Fuller stated the Department of Public Works requested bid proposals from qualified, professional engineers to provide design services for Springwood Lakes High

Mr. Walker inquired if we have been able to assuage the legal concerns.

Mr. Patrick Wright, County Attorney, responded that is the reason for the tri-party agreement.

Mr. Weaver moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to award the Springwood Lake Dam Rehabilitation design services to Schnabel Engineering and to draft a tri-party agreement between the county, Schnabel Engineering, and the Springwood HOA prior to the agreement, seconded by Mr. Livingston.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker

Not Present: McBride

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- c. Sheriff's Department – Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS) Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Project Coordinator Grant – Deputy Chief Harry Polis stated the Sheriff's Department is requesting Council's permission to accept a grant from the Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS) to begin a diversion program that would divert low-level offenders away from the Detention Center into a program that assist them with substance abuse. The position is fully funded for three years; thereafter, it would become a County position.

Mr. Weaver inquired if we would receive grant funding for the first three years and if, after that, the burden would be on the county to continue the funding.

Chief Deputy Polis responded that the grant is up to \$300,000/year for the first three years. The Sheriff's Department will request Council's support in continuing the position.

Ms. Newton and Mr. Pugh wished Chief Polis and his wife a "Happy Anniversary."

Mr. Livingston moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve the Sheriff's Department's request to accept the Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS) Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Project Coordinator grant, seconded by Mr. Weaver.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker

Not Present: McBride

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- d. Department of Public Works – Jim Hamilton – LB Owens Airport – Award of Fixed Base Contract [EXECUTIVE SESSION]
- e. Utilities – Town of Eastover- Intergovernmental Agreement – Chalk Street Development [EXECUTIVE SESSION]

Mr. Livingston moved to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Walker.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker

Not Present: McBride

The vote in favor was unanimous.

***The Committee went into Executive Session at approximately 6:10 PM
and came out at approximately 6:23 PM***

Mr. Pugh moved to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Walker.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker

Not Present: McBride

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Councilman Walker stated the committee entered into Executive Session to receive legal advice. No action was taken in Executive Session.

- d. Department of Public Works – Jim Hamilton – LB Owens Airport – Award of Fixed Base Contract [EXECUTIVE SESSION] – Mr. Livingston moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve "Scenario 1: An extension of the current contract with Eagle Aviation", seconded by Mr. Walker.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker

Not Present: McBride

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- e. Utilities – Town of Eastover- Intergovernmental Agreement – Chalk Street Development [EXECUTIVE SESSION] – Mr. Weaver moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to authorize the County Administrator to enter into negotiations with the Town of Eastover regarding the development of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town of Eastover and Richland County for the provision of sewer service for the Chalk Street Development, seconded by Mr. Pugh.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker

Not Present: McBride

The vote in favor was unanimous.

5. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. Pugh moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Weaver.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, and Walker

Not Present: McBride

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:27 PM.