

RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Kit Smith, Chair Mike Montgomery Paul Livingston Joseph McEachern Valerie Hutchinson
District 5 District 8 District 4 District 7 District 9

*Tuesday, April 25, 2006
6:00 PM*

Report of Actions

CALL TO ORDER – Kit Smith called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the March 28, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – The agenda was adopted as submitted.

PRESENTATION

- A. Capital Needs at the Richland County Judicial Center** – Chief Justice Jean Toal and Frank Knowlton, President of the Richland County Bar, made a presentation regarding capital needs at the judicial center.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

- A. Resolution to Recognize, Assist, and Cooperate with Friends of the Richland County Courthouse** – The committee forwarded this item to the full Council with a recommendation to approve the resolution. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- B. Ordinance Restructuring the Public Works Department** – The committee deferred this item to the May meeting so that the new Public Works Director could review and comment on the proposed changes. **[Action: Public Works, Administration]**
- C. Public Sale of County Property at 401 Powell Road** – The committee recommended that Council authorize staff to negotiate a sales price for property located at 401 Powell Road, and to authorize the marketing of the remaining 6.5 acres of property for sale. Once negotiated, a contract will be brought back to Council for approval. The vote in favor was unanimous. **[Action: Administration]**

- D. Extension of Contract with PayTel Communication Inmate Telephone Systems –** The committee forwarded this item to the full Council with a recommendation to approve. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- E. Legal Department Budget Amendment –** The committee forwarded this item to the full Council with a recommendation in favor of giving first reading to the ordinance. The committee also requested a matrix of all pending cases and a summary status of each, as well as a presentation by the County Attorney to Council regarding policies for hiring and compensating outside counsel before third reading is given. The vote in favor was unanimous. [\[Action: Legal\]](#)
- F. Sheriff’s Request: Budget Amendment to Appropriate SRO Funds –** The committee recommended that Council remove this item from the table and give second reading to the ordinance. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- G. Contract to Hire Wilbur Smith Associates as Project Manager for the Richland County Wholesale Portion of the South Carolina State Farmers’ Market Project –** The committee recommended that Council approve the contract, and requested a staff proposal for recouping the charges. The vote in favor was unanimous. [\[Action: Administration\]](#)
- H. Ordinance Authorizing the Sale and Issuance of \$5,200,000 Hospitality Tax Special Obligation Bond Anticipation Note –** The committee forwarded this item to the full Council without recommendation. Staff was instructed to bring back information showing the cost of three scenarios. [\[Action: Administration\]](#)
- I. Criteria for the Distribution of Undesignated Hospitality Tax Funds –** The committee recommended that Council adopt the criteria for the distribution of Hospitality Tax funds. The vote in favor was unanimous.

II. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / DISCUSSION

- A. Hiring of an Economic Development Official for Richland County –** The committee voted to forward this item to the Economic Development Committee.

III. ITEMS PENDING ANALYSIS

- A. Funding for Redevelopment of the Olympia Neighborhood –** This item is pending further analysis.
- B. Business Service Center Ordinance –** This item is pending further analysis.

Adjournment