

# MINUTES OF



## RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2011 6:00 P.M.

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### MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair: L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.  
Member: Damon Jeter  
Member: Gwendolyn Davis Kennedy  
Member: Jim Manning  
Member: Seth Rose

**ALSO PRESENT:** Bill Malinowski, Norman Jackson, Damon Jeter, Gwendolyn Davis Kennedy, Jim Manning, Milton Pope, Tony McDonald, Sparty Hammett, Randy Cherry, Larry Smith, Stephany Snowden, Tamara King, Sara Salley, Michael Byrd, Alonso Smith, Amelia Linder, Anna Almeida, Geo Price, Monique Walters, Michelle Onley

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting started at approximately 6:00 p.m.

### ELECTION OF CHAIR

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to nominate Mr. Pearce for Chair. The vote was in favor.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**December 21, 2010 (Regular Session)** – Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to adopt the agenda as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

## ITEMS FOR ACTION

**A Resolution in support of the Central Midlands Council of Governments' pursuit of grant funding from the Department of Defense** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to forward this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**A Resolution to accept the referendum results of the November 2<sup>nd</sup> Transportation Sales Tax Initiative and end Mass Transit Fee** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to forward this item to the Retreat work session. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Consultant Services for Employee, Retiree, and Medicare Group Benefits & Insurance RFP** – Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to forward this item to Council with a recommendation for approval and to include a tiered plan proposal in the RFP. The vote was in favor.

**Decker International Corridor Lighting** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to forward this item to Council with a recommendation for approval of Alternative #2: "Fund the lighting program for five (5) years from the Neighborhood Improvement Program budget, and the require the Decker Boulevard Business Coalition to fund the remaining five (5) years." The vote in favor was unanimous.

**General Obligation Refunding Bond** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to forward this item to Council without a recommendation. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Jim Hamilton-L. B. Owens Airport Master Plan Update Executive Summary** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to forward this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Richland County Fifth Circuit Solicitor's Office Emergency Budget Request** – Mr. Manning moved to approve \$100,000 for the Solicitor's Office related to transitional items and that the meetings being held by Administration are used to determine what their needs will be as they prepare their budget for next year. The motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Manning moved, to forward to Council a recommendation for approval of Alternative #1: "Approve the request for immediate funding without delay to insure a smooth transition of office and enable the Solicitor's Office to keep pace with the pending ten thousand (10,000) cases, and mounting number of new criminal cases being received.

It is imperative the Solicitor's Office be able to receive, investigate and prepare criminal cases for trial as expeditiously as possible." The motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to defer this item until the February committee meeting. The vote was in favor.

**Sewer System General Obligation Refunding Bonds** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to forward this item to Council without a recommendation. The vote in favor was unanimous.

#### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

**Caughman Creek Property Appraisal [Recommend Executive Session]** – This item was held in committee.

**Clarification of Budget Motion** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to retain this item in committee and forward the verbatim minutes regarding this motion to Council members.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:47 p.m.

Submitted by,

Joyce Dickerson, Chair

The minutes were transcribed by Michelle M. Onley