

MINUTES
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
NOVEMBER 6, 2012
CONFERENCE ROOM D
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.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN, BOB TAYLOR
JIM BURNS
BUTCH KIRVEN
WILLIS MEADOWS

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

SID CATES

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

JOE BALDWIN
JOE DILL
XANTHENE NORRIS
FRED PAYNE
DAN RAWLS
LIZ SEMAN

STAFF PRESENT:

BROOKE FERGUSON, PLANNING
JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
JOE KERNELL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
BOB MIHALIC, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY
KIM WUNDER, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Taylor called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Burns provided the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 8, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY PROJECT APPLICATIONS:

SLATER MARIETTA CHRISTMAS PARADE:

This is a request from the Slater Marietta Fire Department to approve \$1,500 from the Community Project Account to fund the Slater Marietta Christmas Parade.

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the application in the amount of \$1,500 from the Community Project Account to fund the Slater Marietta Christmas Parade. The motion carried unanimously.

TRAVELERS REST CHRISTMAS PARADE:

This is a request from the City of Travelers Rest to approve \$1,500 from the Community Project Account to fund the Travelers Rest Christmas Parade.

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the application in the amount of \$1,500 from the Community Project Account to fund the Travelers Rest Christmas Parade. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2012-2013 ACCOMMODATIONS TAX FUNDING ALLOCATION:

This is a request to approve FY2012-2013 Accommodations Tax funding. The request was held in the Finance Committee on October 8, 2012.

After some discussion, Councilor Meadows moved to amend the reallocation of funds to the following organizations/projects: Freedom Weekend Aloft, Inc. - **\$25,000**, Greenville Chorale - **\$2,500**, Greenville Little Theatre - **\$7,538**, Greenville Symphony Orchestra (Holiday at Peace) - **\$5,000**, Heritage Foothills Committee/Greater Greenville Recreation District (Dark Corner Oral History Video Project) - **\$10,000**, NOTUS Sports In Care of Roger C. Peace (2014 UCI Para-Cycling World Championships) - **\$19,000**, South Carolina Children's Theatre (SCCT) (2012-2013 Season) - **\$2,000** and The Children's Museum of the Upstate (Science in Toyland) - **\$15,000**. A total of **\$47,538** would be reallocated. The motion to amend carried a vote of 3 – 1. Councilor Burns was opposed. Councilor Meadows moved to approve the motion as amended. The motion carried a vote of 3 - 1. Councilor Burns was opposed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilor Burns moved to go into executive session at 4:24 to discuss a contractual matter. The motion carried unanimously.

This Finance committee came out of executive session at 4:48.

PROJECT GINA:

Councilor Kirven moved to approve a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of an Inducement and Millage Rate Agreement between Greenville County and Project GINA. The motion carried a vote of 3-1. Councilor Burns was opposed.

There being no further business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:53.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Payne
Executive Assistant

Accommodations Tax Requests - FY 2012 - 2013

Sponsoring Organization	Name of Project	Amount Requested	Committee Recommended	Finance Committee
Artisphere	2013 Artisphere Tourist Marketing	\$ 15,000		
Black Pages International	Black Expo	\$ 50,000		
Centre-Stage South Carolina	10th Annual New Play Festival	\$ 5,000		
Discover Upcountry Carolina Association	Upcountry Advertising and Promotions	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,538	
Freedom Weekend Aloft, Inc.	Freedom Weekend Aloft	\$ 50,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 25,000
Greater Greenville Scottish Games	Gallabrae (Greater Greenville Scottish Games)	\$ 100,000		
Greenville Area Development Corporation (GADC) Jerry Howard	Mini World of Trains d/b/a Transportation Museum of the World featuring the Miniature World of Trains	\$ 60,000	\$ 16,500	
Greenville Chorale	Greenville Chorale 2012-2013 Fall Concert: "Some Enchanted Evening"	\$ 2,500		\$ 2,500
Greenville Little Theatre	Greenville Little Theatre 2012-2013 Season	\$ 10,000		\$ 7,538
Greenville Symphony Orchestra	Holiday at Peace	\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000
Heritage Foothills Committee/Greater Greenville Recreation District	Dark Corner Oral History Video Project	\$ 30,000		\$ 10,000
Metropolitan Arts Council	Greenville Open Studios 2012	\$ 30,000	\$ 12,500	
NOTUS Sports in care of Roger C. Peace	2014 UCI Para-Cycling World Championships	\$ 25,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 19,000
Palmetto Conservation Foundation	Palmetto Trail Hospital Rock Trail	\$ 5,000		
South Carolina Charities, Inc.	BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by SYNEX Corporation	\$ 15,000		
South Carolina Children's Theatre (SCCT)	2012-2013 Season	\$ 2,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,000
The Children's Museum of the Upstate	"Science in Toyland" (A traveling exhibit coming to The Children's Museum of the Upstate)	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,000
Upstate Visual Arts Inc.	Upstate Visual Arts Center	\$ 25,000		
Total Requested for FY2012-2013		\$ 464,500	\$ 86,038	\$ 86,038