

MINUTES
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
OCTOBER 13, 2014
CONFERENCE ROOM D
5:30 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, WILLIS MEADOWS
JIM BURNS
SID CATES
BUTCH KIRVEN
BOB TAYLOR

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

NONE

STAFF PRESENT:

JOHN ELDRIDGE, SHERIFF'S OFFICE
TIM GAULT, EMS
JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
TY HOUCK, PARKS AND RECREATION
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET MANAGER
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
GENE SMITH, DIRECTOR, PARKS AND RECREATION
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Meadows called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Taylor provided the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Burns moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 29, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

GRANT APPLICATIONS:

FY2015 EMS GRANT-IN-AID:

This is the SC DHEC – EMS Grant-In-Aid in the amount of \$33,855.52. The grant will allow the Emergency Medical Services Division to acquire stretchers, stair chairs, laptop computers and medical floor mount IV fluid warmers. This grant requires a County match of \$1,862.05.

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

Councilor Burns moved to approve the SC DHEC EMS Grant-In-Aid Grant in the amount of \$33,855.52. The motion carried unanimously.

ENHANCED DUI ENFORCEMENT GRANT:

This is the Enhanced DUI Enforcement Grant in the amount of \$56,407. The grant will fund a Deputy position for enhanced DUI enforcement for one year. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the Enhanced DUI Enforcement Grant in the amount of \$56,407. The motion carried unanimously.

LIVEWELL GREENVILLE MINI-GRANTS:

This is the Livewell Greenville Mini-Grants in the amount of \$4,500 which will be divided between four community centers: Slater-Marietta Afterschool Program - \$1,100, Mt. Pleasant Community Center - \$1,200, Freetown Community Center - \$1,000 and Brutontown Community Center - \$1,200. These mini-grants will allow the Community Centers in the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department to coordinate an intramural sports league among its four afterschool programs. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Burns moved to approve the Livewell Greenville Mini-Grants in the amount of \$4,500. The motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES GRANT:

This is the Department of Natural Resources Grant (Saluda River Property) in the amount of \$175,000. This grant will allow the Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department to purchase property to develop the first public park along the Saluda River. This grant requires a County match of \$117,622.96 which will be provided from the PRT fund balance.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager, Gene Smith and Ty Houck, Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the Department of Natural Resources Grant (Saluda River Property) in the amount of \$175,000. The motion carried unanimously.

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GREENVILLE COUNTY GENERAL OBLIGATIONS REFUNDING BOND – SERIES 2006 AND 2007:

This is an ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$9,750,000 in Greenville County General Obligation Refunding Bonds in Series 2006 and 2007 for the purpose of debt service savings.

Brad Love, Haynsworth Slinkler Boyd was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Cates moved to approve the ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$9,750,000 in Greenville County General Obligation Refunding Bonds in Series 2006 and 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

MULTI-COUNTY PARK AGREEMENT – GREENVILLE AND ANDERSON COUNTY:

This is an ordinance to amend an agreement for the development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park of Anderson and Greenville County so as to enlarge the boundaries of the Park.

Mark Tollison, County Attorney was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Burns moved to approve the ordinance to amend an agreement for the development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park of Anderson and Greenville County. The motion carried unanimously.

ACCOMMODATIONS TAX FUNDING RECOMMENDATION:

This is request to approve funding for the 2014-2015 Accommodations Tax. The total amount to be allocated is \$189,331.00

B.J. Koonce and Michael Heater, Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Burns moved to approve Option A which redistributes \$22,000 which was previously allocated to the Greater Greenville Scottish Games and to also amend Option A to adjust amounts for other events. Please see attached spreadsheet for updated allocations. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY PROJECT APPLICATION – PIEDMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT:

This is a Community Project Application in the amount of \$4,000 from the Piedmont Fire Department.

The funds will be used to cover the cost of an electric generator to provide back-up power for the station and equipment in the event of a power outage.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$4,000 for the Piedmont Fire Department. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2014-2015 A-Tax Committee Grading/Recommendations

Sponsoring Organization	Name of Project	Amount Requested	Grading per County Guidelines	A-Tax Committee Recommendation	Finance Committee Recommendation
Greater Greenville Scottish Games	Gallabree (Greater Greenville Scottish Games)	\$ 100,000.00	A*	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Artisphere	2015 Artisphere Festival Tourist Marketing Campaign	\$ 15,000.00	A	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Discover Upcountry Carolina Association	Upcountry Advertising and Marketing Campaign	\$ 20,000.00	A	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Greater Greenville Scottish Games	Gallabree (Greater Greenville Scottish Games)	\$ 100,000.00	A	\$ 22,000.00	\$ -
Special Olympics South Carolina	Special Olympics Fall Games	\$ 10,000.00	A	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
The Children's Museum of the Upstate	Traveling and Special Exhibits at The Children's Museum of the Upstate	\$ 25,000.00	A	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
City of Fountain Inn - Younts Center for Performing Arts	Capital Campaign	\$ 20,000.00	C	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
Greenville Chorale	A Carolina Christmas: Holiday Concert by The Greenville Chorale	\$ 2,250.00	B	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 2,250.00
Greenville Little Theatre	Greenville Little Theatre 2014/2015 Season	\$ 10,000.00	B	\$ 4,981.00	\$ 5,981.00
Roper Mountain Science Center Association (RMSCA)	Second Saturdays at Roper Mountain Science Center	\$ 20,200.00	B	\$ 20,200.00	\$ 15,200.00
Black Pages International	Upstate Black Expo	\$ 25,000.00	C	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00
Carolina Ballet Theatre	The Nutcracker, Once Upon a Time in Greenville	\$ 28,000.00	C	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 7,200.00
Greenville Symphony Orchestra	Holiday at Peace	\$ 6,000.00	C	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00
James F. Daniel, Jr., American Legion Post #3	American Legion Post #3, War Museum Enhancements	\$ 12,350.00	C	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Simpsonville Area Chamber of Commerce	Upstate Harvest Moon Festival	\$ 8,000.00	D	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Slater Hall Citizens' Committee	Summer Outdoor Movie Nights	\$ 7,000.00	D	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 4,000.00
South Carolina Children's Theatre (SCCT)	2014-2015 Main Stage Season	\$ 2,500.00	C	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Aloft, Inc.	Aloft 2015	\$ 25,000.00	D	\$ -	\$ -
Miniature World of Trains	Miniature World of Trains	\$ 30,000.00	D	\$ -	\$ -
Wyatt Sports, LLC.	South Carolina Football Hall of Fame	\$ 50,000.00	D	\$ -	\$ -
Notus Sports	Greenville SC 2014 UCI Para-cycling World Championships	\$ 50,000.00	D	\$ -	\$ -
TOTALS - FY2014-2015		\$ 566,300.00		\$ 189,331.00	\$ 189,331.00

* Recommended as Signature Event

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION – E911:

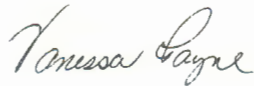
This is an ordinance to authorize a supplemental appropriation from the Special Revenue Fund – E911 Fund Balance to increase FY2014-15 E-911 budgeted revenues \$1,355,000 and to increase FY2014-15 budgeted expenditures \$1,355,000 for the purpose of upgrading the E911 Communications System.

John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the ordinance authorizing a supplemental appropriation from the Special Revenue Fund – E911 Fund Balance to increase FY2014-15 E-911 budgeted revenues \$1,355,000 and to increase FY2014-15 budgeted expenditures \$1,355,000 for the purpose of upgrading the E911 Communications System. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no other business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:20.

Respectfully submitted,



Vanessa Payne
Executive Assistant