

MINUTES
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
FEBRUARY 13, 2017
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
SID CATES
BUTCH KIRVEN
XANTHENE NORRIS
BOB TAYLOR

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

LIZ SEMAN

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

LYNN BALLARD
FRED PAYNE

STAFF PRESENT:

JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
JOE KERNELL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
GENE SMITH, DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Meadows called the Finance Committee meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Councilor Cates provided the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Norris moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 6, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

GRANT APPLICATIONS:

BEST FRIENDS:

This is the Best Friends Grant in the amount of \$49,668. The grant will be used by Animal Care Services to provide free subsidized spay and neuter services to low-income dog and cat owners. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the Best Friends Grant in the amount of \$49,668 for Animal Care Services. The motion carried unanimously.

VOCA GRANT:

This is the VOCA Grant in the amount of \$53,904. This grant will be used by the Solicitor's Office to fund 1 Victim Advocate position which will assist victims of domestic violence and other crimes being prosecuted. This grant requires a County match of \$10,781 which will be funded from the Solicitor's Office.

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

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the VOCA Grant in the amount of \$53,904. The motion carried unanimously.

SOUTH CAROLINA PARK AND RECREATION DEVELOPMENT (PARD) GRANT:

This is the SC Park and Recreation Development (PARD) Fund Grant in the amount of \$207,958.75. This grant will be used to purchase and install playground equipment and to provide furniture, fixtures, and equipment to fully furnish Staunton Bridge Community Center. This grant requires a County match of \$41,591.75 which will come from existing funds allocated for this project.

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

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the South Carolina Park and Recreation Development Fund Grant in the amount of \$207,958.75. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY PROJECT APPLICATION: BEREA HIGH SCHOOL

This is a Community Project Application for Berea High School in the amount of \$5,000. The funds will allow for improvements to the track which will enable Berea High School to host track meets.

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

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the Community Project Application for Berea High School in the amount of \$5,000. The motion carried unanimously.

TRANSFER PROPERTY TO CAMPBELL YOUNG LEADERS:

This is an ordinance to authorize and approve the transfer of approximately 6.33 acres of real property located in the Woodside Mill Community to Campbell Young Leaders, a South Carolina non-profit corporation and to authorize the execution of a feed any other appropriate documents.

Gene Smith, Director of Parks, Recreation and Tourism was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the ordinance to authorize and approve the transfer of approximately 6.33 acres of real property located in the Woodside Mill Community to Campbell Young Leaders, a South Carolina non-profit corporation and to authorize the execution of a feed any other appropriate documents. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ROAD MAINTENANCE FEES:

This is an ordinance to establish a uniform charge for the provision of upgraded county-wide public safety telecommunication services to all real property within Greenville County and to amend Ordinance #2474, as amended, so as to increase the County Road Maintenance Fee.

Joe Kernell, County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the ordinance to establish a uniform charge for the provision of upgraded county-wide public safety telecommunication services to all real property within Greenville County and to amend Ordinance #2474, as amended, so as to increase the County Road Maintenance Fee.

Councilor Cates move to amend the motion and to split the ordinance into two separate ordinances; one for the Public Safety Communications Service and one for the County Road Maintenance Fee.

Councilor Cates withdrew his amendment.

Councilor Kirven call for question.

Councilor Kirven's original motion to approve the ordinance to establish a uniform charge for the provision of upgraded county-wide public safety telecommunication services to all real property within Greenville County and to amend Ordinance #2474, as amended, so as to increase the County Road Maintenance Fee. The motion carried with a vote of 3 in favor and 2 opposed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Finance Committee went into executive session at 6:09 to discuss contractual matters. The committee came out of executive session at 6:31.

PROJECT DESPERADO:

Councilor Cates moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County and Project Desperado; the execution and delivery of an amended and restated Infrastructure Credit Agreement reflecting an extension of the credit period and an increase in the amount of the Infrastructure Credit. The motion carried unanimously.

PROJECT MOUSETRAP:

Councilor Norris moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County and Project Mousetrap. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:32.

Respectfully submitted,



Vanessa Payne
Executive Assistant