

MINUTES
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
MAY 8, 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
LIZ SEMAN
BOB TAYLOR

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

LYNN BALLARD
JOE DILL
FRED PAYNE

STAFF PRESENT:

JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
RASHIDA JEFFERS, REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
JOE KERNELL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
IMMA NWOBODU, REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
SHELLEY SIMMONS, ANIMAL CARE
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Meadows called the Finance Committee meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Councilor Seman provided the invocation

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Seman moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 10, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

GRANT APPLICATION – PETSMART CHARITIES GRANT:

This is the PetSmart Charities Grant in the amount of \$40,250. This grant funding will be used by Animal Care Services to purchase a mobile adoption and transport vehicle as a means of bringing the county's homeless dog and cat population to a wider community of adopters. The total cost of the mobile unit is \$55,250. The difference of \$15,000 will be offset by the Second Chance Fund donations that have already been collected and designated for this purpose. This grant does not require a County match.

Ruth Parris, Budget Director and Shelley Simmons, Animal Care Services were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the PetSmart Charities Grant in the amount of \$40,250. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman changed the order of the agenda to allow for executive session discussion of some additional items.

GREENVILLE COUNTY LIBRARY – PROPOSED BUDGET:

This is a request from Greenville County Library to approve their FY2017 proposed budget ordinance. The budget appropriates funds for the Library System for FY2017 – FY2018 and authorizes the continuation of the current ad valorem property tax millage rate.

Beverly James, Executive Director was present answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the proposed FY2017 budget ordinance for the Greenville County Library. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY PROJECT APPLICATION – CITY VIEW CAMP REGISTRATION:

This is a Community Project Application for City View Summer Camp Registrations in the amount of \$9,000. This will allow children to participate in the City View summer camp program.

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

Councilor Norris moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$9,000 for City View Camp Registration. The motion carried unanimously.

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY 2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN:

Greenville County is required to submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the planned uses of Community Development Block Grant (ESG) funds that will be allocated to the County beginning July 1, 2017.

Imma Nwobodu and Rashida Jeffers, Redevelopment Authority presented the 2017 Annual Action Plan to the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the 2017 Annual Action Plan for the Redevelopment Authority. The motion carried unanimously.

JTEK AND AVIR RESOLUTION:

Councilor Cates moved to go into executive session at 6:10 to discuss a contractual matter. The committee came out of executive session at 6:28.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the resolution as stated and to amend the resolution to include some additional language regarding responsibility of the company to work with the County on tax filing issues. The motion carried unanimously.

LEASE – COCO COLA BUILDING ON HERITAGE GREEN:

Councilor Cates moved to go into executive session at 7:10 to discuss a contractual matter. The committee came out of executive session at 7:26.

Councilor Seman recused herself from the discussion due to her employer's relationship with the Museum.

The proposals were received as information. Councilor Kirven moved to continue with negotiations with interested parties as it relates to the leasing of the Coca Cola Building on Heritage Green. The motion carried unanimously.

PROJECT THOR:

Councilor Kirven moved to go into executive session at 7:29 to discuss a contractual matter. The committee came out of executive session at 7:34.

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

GREENVILLE –ANDERSON MCIP – UNIVERSITY RIDGE:

Councilor Kirven moved to go into executive session at 7:35 to discuss a contractual matter. The committee came out of executive session at 7:51.

Councilor Norris moved to approve an ordinance to develop a jointly owned and operated Industrial/Business Park in conjunction with Anderson County, such Industrial/Business Park to be geographically located in Greenville County; to provide for a written agreement with Anderson County to provide for the expenses of the Park, the percentage of revenue application and the distribution of fees in lieu of ad valorem taxation. The motion also includes the approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Greenville and the County of Greenville. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 7:53.

Respectfully submitted,



Vanessa Payne
Executive Assistant