

MINUTES  
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

August 9, 2021  
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.

**The Finance Committee met on-site and remotely to handle requests submitted to the committee for consideration.**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

CHAIRMAN, DAN TRIPP  
JOE DILL  
BUTCH KIRVEN  
WILLIS MEADOWS

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

VICE CHAIRMAN, LIZ SEMAN

**OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

LYNN BALLARD

**STAFF PRESENT:**

JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
SHANNON HERMAN, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
JOE KERNELL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR  
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT  
KIM WUNDER, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Tripp called the Finance Committee meeting to order.

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**INVOCATION:**

Councilor Dill provided the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the minutes of July 12, 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

**GRANT APPLICATIONS:**

**2021 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM:**

This is the 2021 Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$135,951. The grant would fund public safety, law enforcement, and judicial support programs with the objective of enhancing and continuing programs established by the Sheriff's Office, Public Safety Department, and Circuit Solicitor's Office. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the 2021 Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$135,951. The motion carried unanimously.

**FY2021 DNA CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT AND BACKLOG REDUCTION PROGRAM:**

This is the FY2021 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program in the amount of \$250,000. This grant would fund overtime, associated benefits, equipment, and travel for the DNA Lab to continue to offer forensic biology/DNA services to regional upstate SC agencies at a no-cost basis reduce backlog of forensic biology/DNA cases; purchase a new server to increase capacity for interpretation of DNA mixture using probabilistic genotyping; continue to meet accreditation standards; and provide continuing education for DNA laboratory staff. This grant does not require a County match.

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

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the FY2021 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program in the amount of \$250,000. The motion carried unanimously.

**FY2021 LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (LEMPG):**

This is the FY2021 Local Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$201,923.78. This grant would fund contractual services, travel expenses and various equipment and supplies for the Emergency Management Division. This grant requires an in-kind County match of \$108,420.78 which will come from budgeted salaries and benefits in the Emergency Management Division.

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

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the FY2021 Local Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$201,923.78. The motion carried unanimously.

**BISSELL PET FOUNDATION GRANT:**

This is the BISSELL Pet Foundation Grant in the amount of \$20,000. This grant will be used by Animal Care Services to help in efforts to treat up to 100 adoptable dogs for heartworm disease.

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

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the BISSELL Pet Foundation Grant in the amount of \$20,000. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONTINUATION OF MILLAGE – LAKE CUNNINGHAM, SOUTH GREENVILLE AND DUNKLIN FIRE DISTRICTS:**

This is a resolution to provide for the continuation of current ad valorem property tax to be levied by the Lake Cunningham, South Greenville and Dunklin Fire Districts.

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

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the resolution to provide for the continuation of current ad valorem property tax to be levied by the Lake Cunningham, South Greenville and Dunklin Fire Districts. The motion carried unanimously.

**ABANDONED BUILDING SITE CERTIFICATION – 1306, 1310, 1312 AND 1314 WOODSIDE AVENUE:**

This is a resolution to certify that 1306, 1310, 1312 and 1314 Woodside Avenue as an abandoned building site pursuant to the South Carolina Abandoned Buildings Revitalization Act of 2013.

Kim Wunder, Assistant County Attorney was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the resolution certifying 1306, 1310, 1312 and 1314 Woodside Avenue as an abandoned building site. The motion carried unanimously.

**MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT:**

This is an ordinance to authorize the County Administrator to negotiate leases of available office space in the County owned facilities located at 350 and 352 Halton Road and to authorize the County Administrator and Chairman of County Council to execute such lease agreement.

Shannon Herman, Assistant County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the ordinance authorizing the County Administrator to negotiate leases of available office space in the County owned facilities located at 350 and 352 Halton Road and to authorize the County Administrator and Chairman of County Council to execute such lease agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNITY PROJECT APPLICATIONS:**

**DUNCAN CHAPEL ELEMENTARY:**

This is a Community Project Application in the amount of \$2,000 for Duncan Chapel Elementary School. The funds will be used to organize fund raisers.

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

**DUNCAN CHAPEL ELEMENTARY CONT'D:**

Councilor Dill moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$2,000 for Duncan Chapel Elementary. The motion carried unanimously.

**SLATERER MARIETTA FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

This is a Community Project Application in the amount of \$4,500 for Slater Marietta Fire Department. The funds will fund maintenance of community asset.

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

Councilor Dill moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$4,500 for Slater Marietta Fire Department. The motion carried unanimously.

**CENTERPOINT IGA AMENDMENT:**

This is an ordinance to amend the agreement for the development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park by and between Greenville County and Anderson County so as to include additional property in Greenville County as part of the Joint County Industrial and Business Park and to amend an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County and the City of Mauldin.

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

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the ordinance to amend the agreement for the development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park by and between Greenville County and Anderson County so as to include additional property in Greenville County as part of the Joint County Industrial and Business Park and to amend an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County and the City of Mauldin. The motion carried unanimously.

**MCIP AGREEMENT – ANDERSON-GREENVILLE – PROJECT NEW:**

This is an ordinance to develop a Joint County Industrial and Business Park in conjunction with Anderson County, such Industrial and Business Park to be located in Anderson County as it relates to Project New.

Kim Wunder, Assistant County Attorney was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Meadows moved to approve an ordinance to develop a Joint County Industrial and Business Park in conjunction with Anderson County, such Industrial and Business Park to be located in Anderson County as it relates to Project New. The motion carried unanimously.

**WILLCOLL LAND LLC (FORMERLY PROJECT MILA):**

This is an ordinance to amend an agreement for the Development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park of Anderson and Greenville Counties so as to enlarge the Park as it relates to Project Mila (Willcoll Land, LLC).

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the ordinance to amend an agreement for the Development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park of Anderson and Greenville Counties so as to enlarge the Park as it relates to Project Mila (Willcoll Land, LLC). The motion carried unanimously.

**STAR EV:**

This is an ordinance to amend an Agreement for the development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park of Greenville and Anderson counties so as to enlarge the Park as it relates to Star EV.

Tony Smith, GADC was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Meadows moved to approve the ordinance to amend an Agreement for the development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park of Greenville and Anderson counties so as to enlarge the Park as it relates to Star EV. The motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Finance Committee went into Executive Session at 4:27 to discuss a contractual matter. The committee came out of executive session at 4:37.

**PROJECT JAY:**

Councilor Kirven moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a Special Source Credit Agreement by and between Greenville County and an ordinance to amend an agreement for the development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park of Anderson and Greenville counties so as to enlarge the Park as it relates to Project Jay. The motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no additional business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:39.

Respectfully submitted,



Vanessa Payne  
Executive Assistant