

# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

## SOUTH CAROLINA



### Council Members Present

Paul Livingston, Chair  
District Four

Bill Malinowski  
District One

Seth Rose  
District Five

Jim Manning  
District Eight

### Others Present:

Norman Jackson  
Rob Perry  
Chris Gossett  
Shawn Salley  
Tony Edwards  
Tony McDonald  
Quinton Epps  
Michelle Onley  
Laura Renwick

## TRANSPORTATION AD HOC COMMITTEE

May 9, 2016  
12:00 PM  
Admin Conference Room

*In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, persons requesting notification, and was posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building*

### CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Livingston called the meeting to order at approximately 12:02 PM

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**March 10, 2016** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Perry requested to add an item entitled "Future Project Programming" to discuss projects that are ready to begin.

Mr. Manning inquired if this item would require action.

Mr. Perry state the item may require action. These projects involve other entities that have time constraints to advertise in order to keep the Federal funding.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to add the requested item as "Future Projects – Time Sensitive Due to Federal Funding" and adopt the agenda as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### PROJECT AGREEMENTS

#### A. ATLAS ROAD WIDENING PROJECT: R. R. AGREEMENTS WITH CSXT AND NORFOLK SOUTHERN

Mr. Perry stated Atlas Road has two (2) railroad crossing (CSX and Norfolk Southern) and must approve any improvements to the road, as it relates to the crossings. The agreement with CSX is in the amount of \$31,097 and the agreement with Norfolk Southern is in the amount of \$35,000 to review the County's plans and make any directive changes.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**B. BLUFF ROAD WIDENING PROJECT: TRI-PARTY R. R. AGREEMENT**

Mr. Perry stated this item is a construction and maintenance agreement. It allows the County in Phase I to construct the project within portions of the railroad right-of-way and designates SCDOT will maintain the drainage features once constructed.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**C. THREE RIVERS GREENWAY PROJECT: IGA WITH CITY OF COLUMBIA**

Mr. Perry stated this IGA is with the City of Columbia. The agreement states the County is going to construct the project with the funding identified for Three Rivers (\$7.902 million) and the City of Columbia is going to operate and maintain it.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTIONS**

**A. PINEVIEW ROAD WIDENING PROJECT**

Mr. Perry stated a public information meeting was held on this project. Based on the public information meeting and the study of the project, staff recommends Alt. 1. (pp. 65 & 68).

The Parsons Brinckerhoff study recommended widening Pineview Road from Garners Ferry to Shop Road to a 5-lane section. After Bluff Road, it was recommended to have a 3-lane section. Once the traffic data was reviewed, the 20-year projections do not show an increase in traffic. Therefore, the recommendation is not to build the 15-ft. center turn lane for the southern section (Shop to Bluff), but resurface the road and add the bicycle/pedestrian amenities.

Mr. Jackson inquired if there is a plan to widen Bluff Road.

Mr. Perry stated there is a plan to widening Bluff Road from Rosewood Drive to the interstate.

The recommendation of Alt. 1 was unanimously approved by the committee.

**B. SHOP ROAD WIDENING PROJECT**

Mr. Perry stated the recommendation was for Alt. 1.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve Alt. 1. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**CONTRACT MODIFICATION: SHOP ROAD EXTENSION PHASE I**

Mr. Perry stated CDM Smith was selected by Council. The project was initially funded with Economic Development funds in the amount of \$403,500 for the Farmer's Market endeavor. Council approved additional funds in the amount of approximately \$260,000. The request is for \$73,577.13 to finalize the Shop Road Extension Phase I construction plans.

Mr. Jackson inquired if the plan is to go to Air Base Road.

Mr. Perry stated Phase I goes to Longtown Road.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### **MILL CREEK MITIGATION BANK: APPROVAL & EXCESS CREDIT SALES**

Mr. Perry stated at the end of 2013 Council approved moving forward and developing a mitigation bank for the County Transportation Program. The mitigation bank was recently approved after a lot of hard work by Mr. Epps.

There are excess credits available and the County has been approached by other entities regarding the purchase of these excess credits. Staff has instructed those interested in purchasing these credits to submit written requests to the County to include: the project, credit requirement, schedule and the permit number.

Mr. Livingston requested staff to ensure the County has a contingency prior to selling the excess credits.

Mr. Malinowski inquired what happens when the funds exceed the amount expended to establish the bank.

Mr. Perry stated he cannot answer that at this time.

This item was received as information.

### **RESURFACING: PROGRAMMING OF AVAILABLE FUNDS**

Mr. Perry stated there are \$1.4 million in CTC funds for County road resurfacing. According to estimates, there is \$100,000 surplus funding available. The recommendation is to coordinate with Public Works to identify segments of roads in poor condition not already included in the 2-year list to be resurfaced. If amenable, staff would bring back a list of projects prior to advertisement of construction bidding.

Mr. Malinowski inquired why staff would not go on down the list of projects already approved.

Mr. Perry stated by reclaiming segments of roads it will prevent having to do a full reconstruction in the future.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to allow staff to bring back a list of roads after vetting by Public Works. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### **TPAC: ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY**

Mr. Manning thanked all of his colleagues and the Legal Department for their work on this matter.

Mr. Manning moved to not make any significant changes and defer action until the Department of Revenue matter has been resolved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

Mr. Jackson expressed concern with delaying action on this until the DOR matter has been resolved.

Mr. Livingston stated he is agreement with the TPAC Committee's request for staff support, but also agrees with the County Attorney regarding the legal issues associated with them hiring an employee. In addition, to insure they are involved in the upcoming audit process.

Mr. Manning inquired how this position would be paid for (i.e. Transportation Penny, General Fund, etc.).

Mr. Manning withdrew his motion.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to provide the committee with a draft job description for consideration. The vote was in favor.

### **MOTION BY MR. JACKSON**

**"I MOVE THAT IN ORDER TO PROMOTE FAIRNESS IN THE PENNY TAX PROGRAM THAT RICHLAND COUNTY APPROVE ANOTHER ON-CALL TEAM IN AN ATTEMPT TO PROMOTE DIVERSITY AND BE TRUE TO THE REFERENDUM"**

Mr. Malinowski inquired if minority firms were given the opportunity to apply when the On-Call Teams were originally selected.

Mr. Jackson stated there was a minority firm, which is among the best, applied but were not chosen because of the way their proposal was written.

### **FUTURE PROJECTS – TIME SENSITIVE DUE TO FEDERAL FUNDING**

Mr. Perry stated the North Main Widening Project has a \$10 million TIGER Grant the City of Columbia acquired. The plans are ready to go, the right-of-way has been turned in for certification and the schedule calls for advertising the project in June. For the TIGER Grant funds to stay available to the project, Federal Highways has to obligate that \$10 million May 27<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to move forward with advertising for this project. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:44 PM

The Minutes were transcribed by Michelle M. Onley, Deputy Clerk of Council