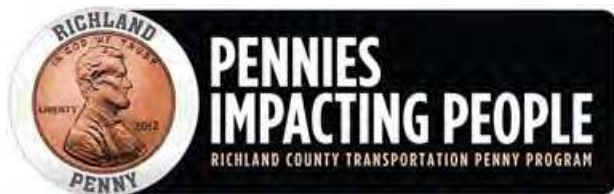


TRANSPORTATION PENNY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 24, 2017
4TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

NO QUORUM PRESENT



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.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Philip Simoneaux, Malcolm Godge, Virginia Sanders, Frank Anderson, J. T. McLawhorn, Derrick Huggins and Councilman Paul Livingston

OTHERS PRESENT: Tony Edwards, Michelle Onley, Roger Sears, Jamelle Ellis, Sandra Yudice, and Shawn Salley

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:31 p.m.

CITIZEN'S INPUT

No one signed up to speak.

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM UPDATE

✦ **Preconstruction Update**

1. **Atlas Road:** 95% Complete Plans under review at SCDOT, completed acquisition of 130 out of 150 tracts
2. **Decker Blvd./Woodfield Park NIP:** Concept report complete. PDT has begun negotiating design with OET.
3. **Blythewood Road Widening and Broad River Road Widening:** 30% design completed for both. OET firms expected to begin further design in July.
4. **Clemson Road Widening:** 100% Complete Plans, Right of Way Certification, and Utility Agreements (except City of Columbia) will be complete in July to be available for an August construction advertisement. Project will then be put on hold pending resolution of City of Columbia's refusal to pay for relocation of their utilities Program-wide.
5. **Clemson/Sparkleberry Intersection:** 65% Complete Plans scheduled for September.
6. **Shop Road Widening:** 65% Complete Plans scheduled to be submitted to PDT in July.

7. **3 Major Intersections:** Garners Ferry/Harmon, North Springs/Harrington, Screaming Eagle/Percival scheduled for 65% plans in August.
8. **Greene Street Phase 2:** Design is 95% complete. Right of Way acquisition has not started yet due to City of Columbia utility issue.

✨ **Construction Update**

1. **Clemson/North Springs:** scheduled for completion in August, delayed due to AT&T utility relocations.
2. **Bluff Widening Phase 1:** Scheduled to be complete in early September. Ribbon cutting tentatively scheduled for week of September 11.
3. **Shop Road Extension Phase 1:** Contractor has begun driving piles for bottomless culvert near intersection with Pineview.
4. **North Main Street Widening:** water line relocations are underway along with continued construction of Joint Utility Duct Bank
5. **Three Rivers Greenway:** Groundbreaking and Notice-to-Proceed with construction set for July 24
6. **Resurfacing Packages I, J, K, and M:** Construction activities tentatively scheduled to begin late summer.

✨ **Council Approvals**

1. Executive Summary for the Decker NIP was approved at the July 11th Council meeting.
2. Transportation Improvement Contract was also approved at the July 11th Council meeting; 19 Resurfacings, 23 Dirt Roads and Sidewalk Projects

OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITES UPDATE

The OSBO Update was included in the agenda packet. No additional information was provided.

Mr. McLawhorn inquired about the following statement: "Five firms' renewal certifications are in contingent of surpassing the Gross Annual Revenue (GAR) requirement according to an industry category – Certification Renewal is pending until further notice on how to proceed."

Mr. Edwards stated there is a monetary cap and time limit the SLBE cannot go over.

Dr. Ellis stated she believes these are Engineering firms, which are capped at either \$3 or \$7 million and/or 3 years. The ordinance that regulates the limits could be revisited by Council if it needs to be amended to allow an extension of the terms.

Mr. McLawhorn requested the total payments to be broken down so it is easily understood what percent went to each ethnicity.

THE COMET PROGRAM UPDATE

Ms. Ann August, Interim Director, stated: She further stated they are collaborating with area businesses and she is participating on City Councilwoman Devine's Envision Summit. There was a public hearing last week regarding the Soda Cap Connector, wherein the businesses requested the connector to come closer to the business community.

- ✦ Transition in the COMET's reporting processes
- ✦ Collaborating with area business
- ✦ Participation on City Councilwoman Devine's Envision Summit
- ✦ Public Hearing was held on the Soda Cap Connector; Businesses would like the connector to come close to the business community
- ✦ Presently working on the Blythewood Commuter Service
- ✦ Evaluating present services

Mr. McLawhorn followed up on his observations about the possibility of having a connector for people that live in impoverished communities that would assist them with having access to fresh vegetables.

Ms. Sanders inquired if Ms. August was able to broach the subject of the bus shelters with the business community.

Ms. August stated she did not have the opportunity at the public hearing.

- ✦ There are 23 new large buses that have been updated with cameras, chargers, and Wi-Fi
- ✦ Ridership gain in the last month

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No action was taken due to lack of quorum.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:16 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: SEPTEMBER 25, 2107 – 2020 HAMPTON STREET