



TRANSPORTATION  
PROGRAM

# **Transportation Penny Advisory Committee Meeting**

**Monday, March 27, 2017 at 5:30 PM**

**4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**2020 Hampton Street, Columbia SC 29202**

## **Agenda**

- 1. Call to Order:** Hayes Mizell, Chairman
- 2. Citizen's Input**

### **Information Items**

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### **Action Items**

- 10. Approval of Minutes:** February 27, 2017 [Pages 11-16]
- 11. Other Business**
- 12. Adjourn**
- 13. Next Scheduled Meeting:** April 24, 2017 – 2020 Hampton Street

### 3. TPAC Membership: Status

#### **Background:**

This was an agenda item from last month's TPAC meeting as multiple members' terms have expired. The Committee requested to be alerted as members are replaced, but since the last meeting no expired terms have been replaced by County Council or by municipalities. The County Clerk has researched the status of this item, and provided the following from the March 7, 2017 Council meeting minutes:

**Richland County Council  
Regular Session Meeting  
Tuesday, March 7, 2017**

#### **NOTIFICATION OF VACANCIES**

**Transportation Penny Advisory Committee – Five (5) Vacancies** – Mr. Malinowski stated this item was held in committee.

Mr. C. Jackson inquired as to why this item was held in committee.

Mr. Malinowski stated full Council has not decided if the committee will continue. Additional information is to be brought back to the next Rules meeting.

Mr. C. Jackson inquired if this is the committee that is playing a role in the Transportation Penny.

Mr. Malinowski responded in the affirmative.

#### 4. Council Actions: Update

- a) **Broad River Road Widening Project:** Recommendation for typical section and termini revisions

Background:

This item was presented to the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee February 14, 2017 and TPAC on February 27, 2017.

Action:

Council approved this item which recommended advancing Alternate C typical section and reduced the project limits. The revised limits are from Royal Tower Road to the intersection of Broad River Road and Dutch Fork Road. Should SCDOT, Central Midlands Council of Governments or another funding source be secured for the project then those funds would extend the project along Dutch Fork Road.

Both the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee and TPAC concurred with this recommendation when previously presented.

## 5. **Audit:** Update

### **Status:**

The Elliott Davis audit of the Transportation Program is ongoing. However, to date the Administrator has not received a final report.

## **6. Small Local Business Enterprise Program: Program Update**

### **Status:**

Included in your agenda you will find a report from the Office of Small Business Opportunity (OSBO).



**OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY WEEKLY UPDATE**

March 20, 2017 – March 27, 2017

**1. Weekly Update**

- Five new applications and one renewal application are pending; staff is processing each application for approval
- Six firms’ renewal certifications are in contingent of surpassing the Gross Annual Revenue (GAR) in the Professional Services category
- Staff is continuing to conduct outreach events - inviting SLBEs to upcoming Pre-bid meetings for an opportunity to gain an understanding of the bidding process; to market themselves to the Prime Contractors; and to network with other subcontractors and PDT
- Staff continues to attend Pre-Bid Meetings, Bid Openings, and Pre-Construction Meetings
- Staff is progressing in the areas of New Applications, Renewals, SLBE Contract Goals, and the B2GNow System
- Continuing to evaluate, improve, reconfigure, and implement the B2GNow System for best practices
- Good Faith Effort Form and Subcontractor Participation Form-S are currently under development
- Staff continues to provide assistance to certified and potential firms on program requirements, bidding opportunities, and the online application via the office Kiosk, telephone, and electronic communication
- Working on the SLBE goal for Sidewalk Package S-7

**2. SLBE Certification Program Overview**

A) SLBE Firms by Industry Category

Primary Industry Category	Total Firms	Percentage
Construction Services	42	51.85%
Professional Services	20	24.69%
Non-Professional Services	5	6.17%
Engineering Services	9	11.11%
Architectural Services	4	4.94%
Wholesale Operations	1	1.23%
<b>Total</b>	<b>81</b>	

B) Gender & Ethnicity of SLBE Firms

Ethnicity	SLBE Firms
African American	52 (64.20%)
Asian	2 (2.47%)
Caucasian	26 (32.10%)
Hispanic	1 (1.23%)

Gender	SLBE Firms
Male	56 (69.14%)
Female	25 (30.86%)

**3. SLBE Contract Participation**

- Of the \$67,203,114 payments made on Penny Tax funded projects, \$16,631,113 has been paid to firms that are solely SLBE certified; \$2,511,497 has been paid to firms that are solely DBE certified; additionally, \$5,951,489 was paid to firms that are both SLBE and DBE certified. The chart below shows the total SLBE and DBE payments when the aforementioned amount is added to each of the individual SLBE and DBE paid to date amounts.

	Including Payments to Firms both SLBE & DBE Certified	Percentage of Total
Payments to SLBE Certified Contractors	\$22,582,602	33.60%
Payments to DBE Certified Contractors	\$8,462,986	12.59%

- \$160,947,040 in Penny Tax Funds; Forty-one (41) contracts/service orders are currently open and are actively monitored for payment and utilization compliance in the B2GNow Compliance Management System.

## 7. The Comet: Program Update

### Status:

Representatives from the Comet are in attendance to provide a program update.



## 8. PDT: Program Update

### Status:

Representatives from the PDT are in attendance to provide a program update.

### Design

- Gills Creek Section A Public Meeting conducted on 2-22-17, over 600 comments received
- Greene Street Phase 2 - received SCDOT R/W authorization, awaiting City concurrence
- Broad River Road Widening - 30% Complete Plans submitted to SCDOT
- Blythewood Road Widening Phase 1 - 30% Complete Plans submitted to SCDOT
- Atlas Road (150 Tracts) and Clemson Road (27 Tracts) Widenings - R/W acquisition services continue
- Clemson Road Widening - 100% Final Construction Plans under review by PDT, Permit obtained

### Procurement

- Reviewing bids for Resurfacing packages I, J, K, L
- Reviewing bids for 3 Rivers Greenway
- Reviewing bids for Resurfacing package M

### Construction

- Greene Street Phase 1 is substantially complete
- Construction has begun on Clemson/N. Springs intersection, 120 day schedule
- Resurfacing Package H is underway
- Bluff Widening Phase1 is underway with nightly lane closures on Rosewood the week of 3-20-17
- Jefferson, Franklin, and Senate sidewalk projects are underway

### Misc.

- Hard copies of the February 2017 Monthly Progress Report are included

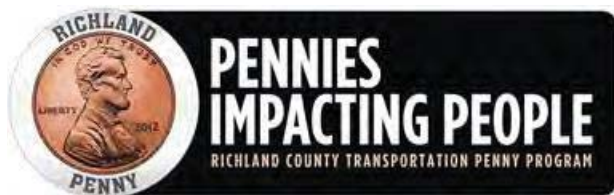
## 9. Transportation Department: Program Update

### Update:

Night work is wrapping up on Bluff Road Phase I Widening, and the closure between Rosewood Drive and Olympia Avenue is scheduled to end by the end of March, weather permitting.

## **10. Approval of Minutes: February 27, 2017**

TRANSPORTATION PENNY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017  
4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR 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.*

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Hayes Mizell, Carol Kososki, Philip Simoneaux, Frank Anderson, Derrick Huggins, Murray Coleman, Virginia Sanders, Malcolm Gordge, Councilman Paul Livingston and Councilman Norman Jackson

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Councilman Calvin “Chip” Jackson, Rob Perry, Tony Edwards, Michelle Onley, Mary Spence, Jamelle Ellis, Sandra Yudice, Brenda Parnell, Roger Sears and Quinton Epps

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:30 p.m.

**CITIZEN’S INPUT**

No one signed up to speak.

**TPAC MEMBERSHIP**

Mr. Mizell stated the committee members should have received information from him regarding some of the member’s terms expiring. He reminded the members that until a replacement has been named they may continue to serve.

**COUNCIL ACTIONS**

Mr. Perry stated Council took the following actions:

- a. Clemson Road and Sparkleberry Lane Project: Council approved the concept report for this intersection improvement project. In addition, Council approved a revision to the CTIP to begin advanced right-of-way acquisition. The approved concept will prompt the relocation of a car wash currently located within the project limits, but will correct existing and future traffic congestion.
- b. Broad River Road Widening Project: Based on public input the executive summary recommended Alternate C typical section. The project limits in the referendum stretched from Royal Tower Road to Interstate 26; however, based on public comment and available funding

the project limits would end at the intersection of Broad River Road and Dutch Fork Road instead of Interstate 26 until additional funding can be secured.

- c. Pineview Road Widening: Utility undergrounding for this widening project would cost an additional \$8.1 million.

Mr. Livingston stated the members of the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee this year are: Calvin "Chip" Jackson, Norman Jackson, Jim Manning, Yvonne McBride and himself. Mr. Manning was selected as the Chair of the committee.

#### **AUDIT UPDATES**

The Elliott Davis audit is ongoing. However, the County Administrator has not received a final report.

#### **SMALL LOCAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM**

The OSBO Update was included in the agenda packet.

#### **THE COMET**

Dr. Schneider stated they are in the process of creating a downtown circulator. The focus for the last few years was to restore and grow the services and ridership. The next step is to look at two (2) new features: the downtown circulator and a potential for park and ride.

The downtown circulator is a pressing opportunity with all of the changes in the downtown core. Presently the Service Development Committee is working on whether it will be one super route, multiple routes and where the circulator will go. As well as: frequency of service, what are the entertainment districts, the employment districts, hotel/motel feedback, the different attractions throughout the downtown core, etc.

Mr. Simoneaux requested prior notice of proposed changes with the bus service in the future.

Ms. Sanders inquired what is being done to encourage bus ridership.

Dr. Schneider stated the purchase of the new buses and branding of the buses has encouraged the increase in ridership.

There are (23) 35-ft. buses, (8) 40-ft. buses and (8) smaller buses coming by the end of August.

Dr. Schneider provided the FY2017, Quarter 2 Report to the committee members.

- ✳ Additional 80k passenger trips for the quarter
- ✳ Transit ridership is down nationwide between 5-7%

## BROAD RIVER ROAD WIDENING PROJECT

The committee unanimously approved this item.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**October 24, 2016; November 28, 2016; and January 23, 2017** – The minutes were unanimously approved.

### PDT UPDATE

#### DESIGN:

- ✦ Decker NIP Public Meeting conducted on February 9, 2017 (75 in attendance)
- ✦ Gills Creek Section A Public Meeting conducted on February 22, 2017 (230 in attendance)
- ✦ Pineview Public Meeting set for March 9, 2017 at Bibleway Church
- ✦ Broad River Road Widening – 30% Complete Plans complete late February
- ✦ Blythewood Road Widening Phase 1: 30% Complete Plans complete late March
- ✦ Atlas Road (150 Tracts) and Clemson Road (27 Tracts) Widening – Right-of-Way acquisition services continue
- ✦ Clemson Road Widening – 100% Final Construction Plans under review by PDT, USACE permit obtained

#### PROCUREMENT:

- ✦ North Main Street Widening construction – Notice to Proceed was issued on February 9, 2017
- ✦ Shop Road Extension Phase 1 construction – Notice to Proceed was issued on February 12, 2017
- ✦ Resurfacing packages I, J, K, and L – bid openings are March 8, 2017
- ✦ Three Rivers Greenway – bid opening is March 8, 2017
- ✦ Resurfacing package M bid opening is March 15, 2017

#### CONSTRUCTION:

- ✦ Greene Street Phase 1 is substantially complete
- ✦ Utility relocations are underway on Clemson/N. Springs intersection
- ✦ Resurfacing Package H is underway
- ✦ Bluff Widening Phase I is underway with Olympia to be closed beginning February 27, 2017
- ✦ Jefferson, Franklin, and Senate sidewalk projects are underway

#### MISC.:

- ✦ Hard copies of the January 2017 Monthly Progress Report were distributed

### TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

- ✦ Gills Creek A Greenway Project: Plans were presented for public viewing on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at Dreher High School. There were approximately 230 in attendance. The project includes \$80.8 million in bicycle/pedestrian/greenway projects and covers a roughly 1.3 mile stretch. The proposed route runs along the east side of the creek from Kilbourne Road to Fort Jackson Boulevard then shifts to the west side from Fort Jackson Boulevard to Mikell Lane.

The first phase could include a trail system with segments constructed in asphalt and concrete paths up to 12-feet wide with features such as: timber boardwalks, signage, picnic areas, meadows, lighting, overlook decks and landscaping.

The City of Columbia has committed to operate, maintain, and provide public safety along the greenway once constructed.

Public comment will be accepted for a 15-day period and a formal concept recommendation will go to Council in April.

### PROGRAM FINANCIAL REPORTING

Mr. Mizell thanked Ms. Kososki, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Simoneaux for their work on obtaining the requested financial information from County staff.

Ms. Kososki stated the report will enable the committee to have a financial overview of the entire comprehensive Penny Program.

Ms. Kososki inquired about where the mitigation bank credit funds are going since the report makes it appear there is a \$7.9 million deficit. It's her impression that Council has not decided how to show mitigation bank credits. She suggested that a footnote be added to the report to explain this matter.

Ms. Kososki also inquired about why the Lincoln Tunnel expenditures were greater than the current estimate.

In addition, Ms. Kososki inquired why the several of the widenings listed at the top of the report came in positively while Bluff Road, Atlas Road, and Shop Road widenings came in negatively.

Mr. Perry stated they have attempted to cost constrain the estimates to the referendum numbers on the greenways, neighborhood improvement projects, etc. The widening projects are different because you have to deal with whatever you find when the asphalt is opened up.

Mr. Beatty stated the numbers in the report are as follows: Referendum (2012) and Current Estimate (2016-2017).

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Susan McPherson thanked the Transportation staff for the new road at North Springs and Risdon.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:17 p.m.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: MARCH 27, 2017 – 2020 HAMPTON STREET**