



Richland County Council
Transportation Ad Hoc Committee
MINUTES
November 21, 2024 – 4:00 PM
Council Chambers
2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

COMMITTEE COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Overture Walker, Chair; Yvonne McBride, Paul Livingston, Don Weaver, and Jessica Mackey

OTHERS PRESENT: Chakisse Newton, Derrek Pugh, Cheryl English, Michael Maloney, Angela Weathersby, Anette Kirylo, Patrick Wright, Ashiya Myers, Leonardo Brown, Jackie Hancock, Aric Jensen, Michelle Onley, Kenny Bowen, Kyle Holsclaw, Susan O’Cain, Jennifer Wladischkin, and Wayne Thornley

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman Overture Walker called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 PM.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. October 22, 2024 – Ms. Mackey moved to approve the minutes as distributed, seconded by Mr. Weaver.
In Favor: McBride, Livingston, Weaver, Walker, and Mackey
The vote in favor was unanimous.
3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – Ms. McBride moved to adopt the agenda as published, seconded by Ms. Mackey.
In Favor: McBride, Livingston, Weaver, Walker, and Mackey
The vote in favor was unanimous.
4. **ITEM FOR DISCUSSION**
 - a. Shop Road Extension Phase 2 Service Order Approval – Mr. Michael Maloney, Transportation Director, stated this item concerns the design services for Shop Road Phase 2. The request is to award the contract to CECS, Inc. for \$2,576,524.03. He pointed out the Shop Road extension will deliver a three-lane roadway from Longwood Road to Montgomery Road. The extension will cross Mill Creek and its adjacent floodplain. The Transportation Penny has coordinated with Community Planning and Development and Economic Development Departments to review concept alignments that will service the public and ensure the least impact. The plan is to build this in stages, and we would not put this kind of investment in until we have public input. He noted there were previous alignments that hugged closer to the railroad tracks. There are certain facilities in the way at this time that will not allow that.

Ms. Mackey inquired if there is an overall project timeframe.

Mr. Maloney responded development would take approximately two years, but they envision presenting the project to the public this winter.

Ms. English mentioned that Senator Darrell Jackson has been prepping the constituents in the area for what is coming.

Mr. Maloney noted that the funding is coming from the Transportation Tax Roadways fund, which is available in the budget. In addition, he pointed out Economic Development has plans where they would be responsible for certain things to occur within the area. Ultimately, the long-range goal is to connect up with Garners Ferry Road.

Ms. Mackey moved to forward a recommendation to Council to approve the Service Order for Phase 2 of Shop Road Extension with CECS, Inc. in the amount of \$2,576,524.03, seconded by Mr. Livingston.

In Favor: McBride, Livingston, Weaver, Walker, and Mackey
The vote in favor was unanimous.

5. **ADJOURNMENT** – Ms. Mackey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. McBride.

In Favor: McBride, Livingston, Weaver, Walker, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:11 PM.