

**COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS**

May 24, 2016

A meeting of the Committee on Ways and Means was held this date at 4:34 p.m.

**PRESENT (11)**

The Honorable John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor

Councilmember White	District 1	Councilmember Waring	District 7
Councilmember Williams -- arrived at 4:40 p.m.	District 2	Councilmember Seekings	District 8
Councilmember Lewis	District 3	Councilmember Shahid -- absent	District 9
Councilmember Mitchell	District 4	Councilmember Riegel -- absent	District 10
Councilmember Wagner	District 5	Councilmember Moody	District 11
Councilmember Gregorie	District 6	Councilmember Wilson	District 12

**1. INVOCATION:**

The meeting was opened with an invocation provided by Councilmember Wagner.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

On a motion of Councilmember Gregorie, seconded by Councilmember White, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the May 10, 2016 Committee on Ways and Means minutes.

**3. BIDS AND PURCHASES:**

On a motion of Councilmember White, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the Bids and Purchases as follows:

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: ACCOUNT: 235000-52206 APPROPRIATION: \$253,890**

Approval of Microsoft Cloud Storage Service with IRSA Video, the sole source vendor, to provide appropriate video storage and archiving for the Police Department's body-worn and vehicle video systems. This is to be billed monthly by IRSA Video to the City of Charleston at \$25,389 per month for an initial 10-period, then will be renewed annually for a 12-month period.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 235000-52208 APPROPRIATION: \$275,000**

Approval to establish a contract for Police Uniform Supplies with Galls, LLC, 1340 Russell Cave Rd., Lexington, KY 40505; Solicitation #15-P044R; The amount needed for 2016 will not be the full \$275,000, as this will only be for a partial year.

**4. PUBLIC SERVICE: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE 2016 FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,521,670.58. A CITY MATCH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000,346.97 IS REQUIRED (\$12,522,017.55 TOTAL).**

Councilmember Mitchell asked how the match would be funded. Mayor Tecklenburg said that the match would come from the flood and drainage funds that Council approved as a result of the additional two mills City Council had approved. He explained that this may have to be done over time, but it would be worth it to get approximately \$10,000,000.

On a motion of Councilmember Waring, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve to submit the 2016 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant in the amount of \$10,521,670.58.

**5. OFFICE OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000 TO THE JOANNA FOUNDATION FOR THE 2016 MOJA ARTS FESTIVAL EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH PROGRAM. NO CITY MATCH IS REQUIRED.**

On a motion of Councilmember White, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve to submit a grant application in the amount of \$5,000 to the Joanna Foundation for the 2016 MOJA Arts Festival Educational Outreach Program.

**6. PARKS-CAPITAL PROJECTS: APPROVAL OF AN ORLP (OUTDOOR RECREATION LEGACY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM) GRANT APPLICATION FOR LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS AT ST. JULIAN DEVINE. THIS GRANT WILL PROVIDE \$500,000 IN FUNDING, REQUIRING A \$500,453 MATCH (\$1,000,453 TOTAL). THE CHARLESTON PARKS CONSERVANCY WILL BE PROVIDING \$250,000 OF THE REQUIRED MATCH, AND THE CITY WILL PROVIDE \$250,453. THE PROPOSED USE OF THE PROJECT FUNDING WOULD BE TO ENHANCE THE LANDSCAPING AROUND THE FACILITY AS WELL AS PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SITE UPGRADES INCLUDING A HALF-COURT BASKETBALL AREA, FUNCTIONAL PLAY LAWN, INCREASED PLAYGROUND SPACE AND NEW PUBLIC PLAZA AREAS.**

Mayor Tecklenburg remarked that this funding could lead to a \$1,000,000 remake to the park area around the St. Julian Devine facility on the East Side of Charleston. He said that what was terrific about this was that the City would receive \$250,000 from the Charleston Parks Conservancy to go towards the \$500,453 match, and the City's portion for a \$1,000,000 park would only be \$250,000.

Councilmember Mitchell said he worked with the Charleston Parks Conservancy on this project, they had worked with the community, and he thought it would be a good for the neighborhood.

On a motion of Councilmember Gregorie, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve an ORLP (Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program) Grant application for landscape improvements at St. Julian Devine.

Councilmember Williams arrived to the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

**7. PARKS-CAPITAL PROJECTS: APPROVAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO FEMA VIA THE SC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION FOR THE “PRE-DISASTER MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM,” A COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM, FOR THE RETROFITTING OF FIRE STATION 2&3 TO MEET CURRENT SEISMIC, WIND AND OTHER BUILDING CODES. THIS GRANT WILL PROVIDE \$4,000,000 IN FUNDING (MAXIMUM AMOUNT ALLOWED), REQUIRING A MATCH OF \$3,556,523 (\$7,556,523 TOTAL). THIS APPLICATION SEEKS THE MAXIMUM FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS, AND WILL COMPETE AGAINST OTHER PDM APPLICATIONS NATIONWIDE. IF SELECTED, FUNDING WOULD BE AVAILABLE APPROXIMATELY JUNE 2017 AND WOULD HAVE TO BE EXPENDED WITHIN THREE YEARS.**

Chairman Moody said that the City’s share of the grant would be \$3,500,000, and he said he was not sure where the \$3,500,000 would come from for this grant. Chief Brack said that this grant was different from others for which they had applied that were 75/25, with the 25 percent match being the City’s. This was a pre-disaster mitigation grant as opposed to a disaster mitigation grant, and the maximum funding was \$4,000,000. She said that if the City were to receive the grant, the City had about three years to find potential funding. Chief Brack explained that some of the ways they looked at doing this was from the public safety tax and the millage increase. She said that what would happen in the interim was the grant would come through, but the City had already set aside the money to pay for Station 6. They had talked about using that money for Stations 2 and 3.

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Gregorie, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve a grant application to FEMA via the SC Emergency Management Division for the “Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program,” a competitive grant program, for the retrofitting of Fire Station 2&3 to meet current seismic, wind and other building codes.

**8. PARKS-CAPITAL PROJECTS: APPROVAL OF A COST CONSULTING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM WITH VENUE COST CONSULTANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,400 TO PROVIDE COST CONTROL OVERSIGHT SERVICES DURING THE DESIGN DEVELOPMENT PHASE AND AT COMPLETION OF THE DESIGN DEVELOPMENT PHASE (35% LEVEL DRAWINGS).**

On a motion of Councilmember Waring, seconded by Councilmember Gregorie, the

Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve a Cost Consulting Services Contract for the International African American Museum with Venue Cost Consultants in the amount of \$51,400 to provide cost control oversight services during the design development phase and at completion of the design development phase (35% level drawings).

**9. PUBLIC SERVICE: APPROVAL FOR PALMETTO GUNITE TO REPAIR A BRICK ARCH AT 51 GEORGE STREET DAMAGED IN THE PAST BY THE INSTALLATIONS OF AN SCE&G VAULT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,892.12. THE CITY WILL BE PURSUING REIMBURSEMENT FOR THIS EXPENSE. THIS IS AN EMERGENCY REPAIR DUE TO A STREET COLLAPSE.**

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Gregorie, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve Palmetto Gunite to repair a brick arch at 51 George Street damaged in the past by the installations of an SCE&G vault in the amount of \$45,892.12.

**10. LEGAL DEPARTMENT: REQUEST AUTHORITY FOR THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE TRADEMARK LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SPOLETO AND THE CITY OF CHARLESTON GRANTING THE CITY A LICENSE TO USE THE MARK "PICCOLO SPOLETO" WITHOUT PAYING ANY ROYALTIES TO SPOLETO FOR ITS USE AND IN THE EVENT SPOLETO STOPS CONDUCTING THE SPOLETO FESTIVAL IN THE CITY OF CHARLESTON, SPOLETO WILL ASSIGN SPOLETO MARKS TO THE CITY.**

On a motion of Councilmember Waring, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the Mayor to execute the Trademark License Agreement between Spoleto and the City of Charleston granting the City a license to use the mark "Piccolo Spoleto" without paying any royalties to Spoleto for its use and in the event Spoleto stops conducting the Spoleto Festival in the City of Charleston, Spoleto will assign Spoleto marks to the City.

**11. THE COMMITTEE ON RECREATION: (MEETING WAS HELD MAY 23, 2016 AT 3:30 P.M., CITY HALL, 80 BROAD STREET)**

- a.) Approval of a Programmatic Agreement among the National Park Service, SC State Historic Preservation Office, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the SC Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism and the City of Charleston regarding DeReef Park.

Councilmember Gregorie, Chair of the Committee on Recreation, stated that the Committee had met on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and recommended approval of the Programmatic Agreement.

On a motion of Councilmember Gregorie, seconded by Councilmember Seekings, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to adopt the report of the Committee on Recreation.

**12. THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION: (MEETING WAS HELD MAY 23, 2016 AT 3:00 P.M., CITY HALL, 80 BROAD STREET)**

- a.) Approval of 2016-2017 Street Vendor Spaces
- b.) Approval of 2016-2017 Bid Specifications for Street Vendor Spaces
- c.) Approval of 2016-2017 Franchise Agreement for Vendor Spaces

Councilmember Seekings, Chair of the Committee on Traffic and Transportation, reported that the Committee met on May 23<sup>rd</sup> to consider the 2016/2017 Street Vendor Spaces, the Bid Specifications, and the Franchise Agreement for Vendor Spaces. He explained the City had 16 street vendor spaces on the Peninsula of Charleston, all of which were separately bid out and licensed. He reported that the Traffic and Transportation Committee unanimously approved the spaces, the Franchise Agreement, and the specifications.

On a motion of Councilmember Seekings, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to adopt the report of the Committee on Traffic and Transportation Report.

**13. THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE: (MEETING WAS HELD MAY 23, 2016 AT 4:00 P.M., CITY HALL, 80 BROAD STREET)**

- a.) Request authorization of the Mayor to execute the attached Easement and License Agreement between the City and the U.S. General Services Administration (TMS: 457-12-04-016; 101 Broad Street)
- b.) Request authorization of the Mayor to execute the attached Temporary Access License Agreement between the City and the North Charleston Sewer District to install, maintain, and remove a temporary above ground sewer line (TMS: 464-02-00-051; 1820 Harmon Street)
- c.) Request approval of the Mayor to execute the attached lease agreement between the City of Charleston and the Medical University of South Carolina for the parking lot located at Fishburne Street (between Hagood and Horizon Streets), Charleston, SC 29403 [Fishburne Street Parking Lot (Hagood Lot)]
- d.) Request authorization from the Mayor to execute the attached Resolution approving an amendment to the Joint County Industrial Park Agreement between Berkeley County and Williamsburg County so as to include a parcel of property for a project undertaken by Blackbaud, Inc. and Holder Construction Group, LLC; and a fee-in-lieu tax agreement by and among Berkeley County, Blackbaud, and Holder Construction (Daniel Island)
- e.) Consider the following annexations:

- (i) 1211 Camellia Road (TMS# 351-12-00-050) 0.14 acre, West Ashley (District 9)
- (ii) 1643 Sulgrave Road (TMS# 354-02-00-043) 0.30 acre, West Ashley (District 2)

Councilmember White, Chair of the Real Estate Committee, stated that the Committee on Real Estate met on May 23rd, and they reviewed four items, plus two annexations. The first item was an agreement to authorize the execution of an Easement License between the City of Charleston and the US General Services Administration. The second item was to authorize the Mayor to execute a Temporary License Agreement between the City and North Charleston Sewer District. The third item was for the Mayor to execute a Lease Agreement with the Medical University of South Carolina for a parking lot on Fishburne Street. He said the fourth item was to request authorization for the Mayor to execute a Resolution agreeing to a Joint County Industrial Park Agreement between Berkeley County and Williamsburg County for the Blackbaud and Holder Construction Project on Daniel Island. The two annexations consisted of 1211 Camellia Road and 1643 Sulgrave Road. All items were approved unanimously.

Councilmember Seekings said he wanted to thank Chairman White and all members of the Committee on Real Estate. He said that last week, the Gibbes historic tax credit deal closed, and a good bit of this money was in escrow. He stated it was due to the Chairman and the hard work of the Committee that this deal went through. He said it was going to be a huge bonus and would reduce the debt on the Gibbes by \$2.6 million. He said he wanted to thank the Committee for taking the time to review what was a very complicated deal.

Councilmember Lewis stated that he would be voting 'nay' on Item 'c.'

Mayor Tecklenburg said he wanted to thank staff, in particular Colleen Carducci, for the hard and long work on the Easement Agreement with the GSA. He said he thought Mrs. Carducci had been working to get this agreement approved for some years, in addition to legal staff. He said this easement would finally allow the City to sell the property at 101 Broad Street and be able to return some funds to the City's affordable housing fund.

Councilmember Seekings asked if there was a timeframe on when the sale process would begin. Mayor Tecklenburg said they had to get this done first, and he did not think there were any further impediments. He said it may be the normal course of business of a few months, but the City would be looking to bring the property to market very soon.

On a motion of Councilmember Gregorie, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, the Committee on Ways and Means voted to adopt the report of the Committee on Real Estate and recommended giving first reading to the following resolution and bills:

*Resolution: Consent to the Inclusion of certain property in a multi-county park for a project undertaken by Blackbaud, Inc. and Holder Construction Group, LLC, which is to be located within the City limits of the City of Charleston; and consent to the*

*execution of a Fee-in-Lieu of Tax Agreement by and among Berkeley County, Blackbaud, Inc. and Holder Construction Group, LLC with respect to such project.*

*An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 1211 Camellia Road (0.14 acre) (TMS# 351-12-00-050), West Ashley, Charleston County, to the City of Charleston, shown within the area annexed upon a map attached hereto and make it part of District 9.*

*An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 1643 Sulgrave Road (0.30 acre) (TMS# 354-02-00-043), West Ashley, Charleston County, to the City of Charleston, shown within the area annexed upon a map attached hereto and make it part of District 2.*

The vote was not unanimous. Councilmember Lewis voted 'nay' on Item 'c' of the report.

There being no further business presented, the Committee on Ways and Means adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Jennifer Cook  
Assistant Clerk of Council