

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

January 11, 2022

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

PRESENT (10)

The Honorable John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor

Councilmember Shealy	District 2	Councilmember Seekings	District 8
Councilmember Sakran	District 3	Councilmember Shahid	District 9
Councilmember Mitchell	District 4	Councilmember Griffin <i>absent</i>	District 10
Councilmember Brady	District 5	Councilmember Appel	District 11
Councilmember Gregorie	District 6	Councilmember Jackson	District 12
Councilmember Waring <i>arrived at 4:38 p.m</i>	District 7		

1. INVOCATION:

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion of Councilmember Shealy, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee on Ways and Means approved the minutes of the December 21, 2021 Committee on Ways and Means meeting.

3. BIDS AND PURCHASES:

On a motion of Councilmember Shealy, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the following bids and purchases:

a. HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: ACCOUNT: n/a AMOUNT: n/a

Approval to establish a contract for Realtor Services with Bridge Commercial Solutions, LLC, 25 Calhoun St., Ste. 220, Charleston, SC 29401 to seek land opportunities for the development of affordable and workforce housing. Solicitation #21-P027R. Sales commission for realtor services will be paid as a part of closing on a completed sale transaction from funds allocated for affordable housing based on the fee schedule submitted by Bridge Commercial.

b. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: ACCOUNT: 235000-52206 AMOUNT: \$296,124.81

Approval of renewal of Police Department's Records Management System (RMS) in the amount of \$296,124.81 for annual maintenance and support with Central Square Technologies, Sole Source Vendor. This provides continued annual maintenance and

support for the critical operations of the Police Department's Records Management System. Includes Mobile Field Reporting, Mapping and Computer Aided Dispatch module support.

4. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT: APPROVAL OF CONCORD STREET PUMP STATION UPFIT CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK (CMAR) SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BLACK & VEATCH CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,699,540 FOR DESIGN SERVICES, PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, PROJECT AND/OR PROGRAM MANAGEMENT, GRANT FUNDING ASSISTANCE, PERMITTING RESEARCH, PERMITTING SERVICES, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, CMAR REPRESENTATIVE SERVICES, TO UPDATE AND REHABILITATE THE CONCORD STREET PUMP STATION. APPROVAL OF THIS CONTRACT WILL OBLIGATE \$1,699,540 OF THE \$5,996,000 PROJECT BUDGET. THE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THIS PROJECT IS THE DRAINAGE FUND.

On a motion of Councilmember Shahid, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve Concord Street Pump Station Upfit Construction Manager At Risk (CMAR) Services Contract with Black & Veatch Corporation in the amount of \$1,699,540.

5. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT: APPROVAL OF SPRING-FISHBURNE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 5 - PUMP PROCUREMENT CONTRACT WITH XYLEM WATER SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,959,684 FOR THE SUPPLY OF THREE VARIABLE SPEED AXIAL OR MIXED FLOW VERTICAL COLUMN PUMPS WITH DIESEL ENGINE DRIVES (120,000 GPM) FOR THE FUTURE PUMP STATION AS PART OF THE SPRING-FISHBURNE PHASE 5 PROJECT. WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT BUDGET, STAFF IS AUTHORIZED TO AWARD AND/OR AMEND CONTRACTS \$40,000 OR LESS, TO THE EXTENT PROJECT CONTINGENCY FUNDS EXIST IN THE COUNCIL APPROVED BUDGET. APPROVAL OF THIS PROCUREMENT CONTRACT WILL INSTITUTE A PROJECT BUDGET OF \$38,452,663 OF WHICH \$5,959,684 WILL BE OBLIGATED BY THIS CONTRACT. THE FUNDING SOURCES FOR THIS PROJECT ARE: KING ST. GATEWAY TIF (\$26,003,011) AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE BANK (\$12,449,652).

Matt Fountain, Stormwater Director, prepared an amended contract for the Councilmembers.

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve Spring-Fishburne Drainage Improvements Phase 5 – Pump Procurement Contract with Xylem Water Solutions in the amount of \$5,959,684 as amended.

6. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT: APPROVAL OF SPRING-FISHBURNE US17 PHASE 5 FEE AMENDMENT #22 WITH DAVIS & FLOYD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,456,700 FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES TO SUPPORT BIDDING AND AWARDED OF CONTRACT OF THE PUMP STATION SUPERSTRUCTURE, PERMITTING, CODE REVIEW AND DESIGN UPDATES. APPROVAL OF FEE AMENDMENT #22 WILL INCREASE THE PHASE 5 PORTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BY \$1,456,700 (FROM \$337,842 TO \$1,794,542). THE FUNDING SOURCES FOR THIS PROJECT ARE

KING STREET GATEWAY TIF (\$26,003,011) AND SOUTH CAROLINA TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE BANK (\$12,449,652).

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve Spring-Fishburne US17 Phase 5 Fee Amendment #22 with Davis & Floyd in the amount of \$1,456,700 for pre-construction of the pump station superstructure bidding and awarding of contract of the pump station superstructure, permitting, code review and design updates.

7. POLICE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL OF AN MOU BETWEEN CPD AND BEAUFORT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND OTHER PARTNERING AGENCIES TO SHARE IN THE APPLICATION AND USE OF CELLEBRITE PREMIUM EXTRACTION SOFTWARE. THERE IS NO MATCH REQUIRED FOR FY22 USE.

On a motion of Councilmember Shealy, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve acceptance of an MOU between CPD and Beaufort County Sheriff's Office and other partnering agencies to share in the application and use of cellebrite premium extraction of software.

8. POLICE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL TO ACCEPT AN AWARD FOR THE FFY21 BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT COMPREHENSIVE OPIOID, STIMULANT, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SITE-BASED PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$900,000 TO BE USED TO FUND A PROJECT COORDINATOR, TWO PEER SUPPORT SPECIALISTS AND SOFTWARE TO SUPPORT OVERDOSE FOLLOW-UP. THERE IS NO MATCH REQUIRED FOR THIS GRANT. PER CPD, THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST OF THE PROGRAM AFTER CONCLUSION OF THE GRANT, IF CONTINUED, WOULD BE \$285,000.

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve acceptance of an award for the FFY21 Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse site-based program in the amount of \$900,000 to be used to fund a Project Coordinator, two Peer Support Specialist and software to support overdose follow-up.

9. THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE (MEETING WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022 AT 3:30 P.M., CONFERENCE CALL: 1-929-205-6099; ACCESS CODE: 835 678 884)

- a. Request approval of an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a First Amendment to Option to Lease by and between the City of Charleston and The Lowline Housing, L.P

Councilmember Waring arrived at the meeting at 4:38 pm.

Councilmember Shahid, Chairman of the Committee on Real Estate said there was one request by ordinance to execute a First Amendment to the lease between the City and the Lowline Housing. The lease extended the deadline from June 30, 2022 to December 30, 2022.

On a motion of Councilmember Shahid, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve and recommended giving first reading to the following bill:

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute First Amendment to Option to Lease by and between the City of Charleston, South Carolina and the Lowline Housing, L. P.

b. Please consider the following annexations:

- (i) 2216 S. Dallerton Circle (0.26 acre) (TMS# 310-07-00-044), West Ashley, (District 11). The property is owned by Danielle D. Cerasi.
- (ii) 1506 N. Edgewater Drive (1.59 acre) (TMS# 349-09-00-026), West Ashley, (District 11). The property is owned by Ellison C. and Jeanne R. Livingston.
- (iii) 30, 32, and 34 Wedgepark Road, 43 and 49 Lolandra Avenue (0.99 acre) (TMS# 418-13-00-254 through 256, 260, and 262), West Ashley, (District 3). The properties are owned by Glory Holdings, LLC.
- (iv) 2319 Lazy River Drive (0.62 acre) (TMS# 310-14-00-014), West Ashley, (District 11). The property is owned by Carl E. Seel, Sr. and Jean B. Seel.

Chairman Shahid said the Committee on Real Estate considered approving four annexations. Three of them were in District 11 and the other was in District 3.

On a motion of Councilmember Shahid, seconded by Councilmember Shealy, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve and recommended giving first reading to the following bills:

An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 2216 S Dallerton Circle (0.26 acre) (TMS# 310-07-00-044), 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 11. The property is owned by Danielle D. Cerasi.

An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 1506 N Edgewater Drive (1.59 acre) (TMS# 349-09-00-026), 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 11. The property is owned by Ellison C. and Jeanne R. Livingston.

An ordinance to provide for the annexation of properties known as 30, 32 and 34 Wedgepark Road, 43 and 49 Lolandra Avenue (0.99 acre) (TMS# 418-13-00-254 through 256, 260 and 262), 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 3. The properties are owned by Glory Holdings, LLC.

An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 2319 Lazy River Drive (0.62 acre) (TMS# 310-14-00-014), 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 11. The property is owned by Carl E. Seel, Sr. and Jean B. Seel.

Chairman Gregorie recognized Mayor Tecklenburg.

The Stormwater items, mainly number 5, were a bellwether moment for the Spring-Fishburne Drainage project at the Public Works and Utilities Committee meeting. When the City ordered the three pumps that would finalize the project, just one of the pumps will pump 120,000 gallons per minute. Three in tandem with a capacity total of 360,000 gallons per minute would pump one million gallons of water outside the tunnel. Phase 4 would be finished this year, and the pumps for Phase 5 were being ordered as the last step. He said it was a moment to celebrate the City making progress. "Speaking of pumps," he continued, Matt Fountain and his Stormwater team were working on redoing the pump station on Concord Street.

Lastly, he thanked staff and the Police Department for getting the City a \$900,000 grant with no match required to support the City's efforts to help those with addiction and substance abuse problems. Providing a Peer Support Specialist for the officers who dealt with those individuals was the kind of addition to the City's policing and funding that gave the City more capabilities but did not take away from the funding. The funds would be added to the General Fund.

Councilmember Shahid said he forgot to mention that the \$900,000 grant did not happen overnight. A task force originated by the Federal District Judge Bruce Howe Hendricks, who worked with the Chief and the former DEA official who lived in the community. They partnered together with other local law enforcement. Councilman Shahid attended some of the meetings and said the effort was different from when he spoke about it earlier than when the police addressed crack cocaine addiction. It was an enforcement process, and they realized it was not the right way to handle the opioid addiction that was rampant in the community. He said a website showed the number of calls made to the police. The numbers were outstanding, and it was a terrible influence in the community that impacted neighbors, children, and families. He shouted out the Federal Judge and the Judiciary, who worked hand-in-hand on this item.

Chairman Gregorie said the pump station happened to be in District 6. Overall, he thought the Police department was doing an unbelievable job, and it proved to the leadership of Chief Reynolds that even in his absence, things continued to move forward. Chairman Gregorie offered a moment of silence for Chief Reynolds.

There being no further business presented, the Committee on Ways and Means adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

Velvett Simmons
Assistant Clerk of Council