

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

January 24, 2023

A meeting of the Committee on Ways and Means was held this date beginning at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT (13)

The Honorable John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor

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| Councilmember Gregg | District 1 | Councilmember Waring <i>arrived 4:43</i> | District 7 |
| Councilmember Shealy | District 2 | Councilmember Seekings | District 8 |
| Councilmember Sakran | District 3 | Councilmember Shahid | District 9 |
| Councilmember Mitchell | District 4 | Councilmember Bowden | District 10 |
| Councilmember Brady <i>arrived 5:02</i> | District 5 | Councilmember Appel | District 11 |
| Councilmember Gregorie | District 6 | Councilmember Parker | District 12 |

1. INVOCATION:

The meeting opened with an invocation provided by Chairman Gregorie.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Shealy, the Committee on Ways and Means approved the minutes of the January 10, 2023, Committee on Ways and Means meeting.

3. BIDS AND PURCHASES:

Chairman Gregorie said he wanted the public to know that they were approving the bids and purchases that added up to about \$3.5 million dollars and it was centered around Public Service, Parks, Fire Department, and Police Department purchases.

Councilmember Parker asked what the improvements for 3d-3g were.

Mr. Kronsberg said 3d-3g were the annual Gateway maintenance contracts. They were for five years, and they were due to be renewed. They covered the Gateway maintenance throughout the City. It covered multiple lots and DOT maintenance areas that were under an encroachment permit by the City.

Councilmember Shealy asked if they choose the lowest bidder for each lot instead of one for all the lots.

Mr. Kronsberg said they bid it in lots because they didn't think that one contractor could handle it all, so they try to spread it out.

Ms. Parker asked if someone from Planning could clarify 3t.

Mr. Morgan said the zoning ordinance was decades old and it was going to be a complete overhaul. It would also make it an elevation-based zoning ordinance so that densities and development would go into areas that were most able to accommodate them. This followed the City Plan that had elevation land use recommendations.

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

a. **PUBLIC SERVICE/FLEET:** **ACCOUNT:58015** **AMOUNT: \$58,529.29**

Approval to purchase a set of 2 Wireless Battery Powered Mobile Lifts in the amount of \$58,529.29 from Steril-Koni USA, Inc., 200 Log Canoe Circle, Stevensville, MD 21666. NASPO Contract# 05316.

b. **PUBLIC SERVICE/FLEET:** **ACCOUNT: 52415** **AMOUNT: \$46,772.74**

Approval to pay for critical emergency repair of front drive axle and steering system of CE021 in the amount of \$46,772.74 from Hills Machinery, 7168-B Cross County Road, North Charleston, SC 29418. Emergency Justification Form.

c. **PARKS DEPARTMENT:** **ACCOUNT: 52410** **AMOUNT: \$78,840.00**

Approval to pay for emergency window replacement at CPD Team 4 in the amount of \$78,840.00 from Charleston Glass Company, 4231 Spruill Ave., North Charleston, SC 29405. Emergency Justification Form.

d. **PARKS DEPARTMENT:** **ACCOUNT: 52206** **AMOUNT: \$140,000.00**

Approval to establish a contract for the Gateway Grounds Maintenance Lot A in the amount of \$140,000.00 with EDD, LLC – The Greenery of Charleston, 145 President Street, Charleston, SC 29403. Solicitation# 22-B038R.

e. **PARKS DEPARTMENT:** **ACCOUNT:52206** **AMOUNT: \$65,000.00**

Approval to establish a contract for the Gateway Grounds Maintenance Lot B in the amount of \$65,000.00 with Lowcountry Sod Pros, 186 Hayworth Rd., Summerville, SC 29486. Solicitation# 22-B038R.

f. **PARKS DEPARTMENT:** **ACCOUNT: 52206** **AMOUNT: \$120,000.00**

Approval to establish a contract for the Gateway Grounds Maintenance Lot C in the amount of \$120,000.00 with Lowcountry Sod Pros, 186 Hayworth Rd., Summerville, SC 29486. Solicitation# 22-B038R.

g. **PARKS DEPARTMENT:** **ACCOUNT: 52206** **AMOUNT: \$150,000.00**

Approval to establish a contract for the Gateway Grounds Maintenance Lot D in the amount of \$150,000.00 with Pleasant Places, Inc., 7684-B Southrail Road, North Charleston, SC 29420.

Solicitation# 22-B038R.

h. STORMWATER DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 52425 AMOUNT: \$79,191.00

Approval to have repairs of 24" VCP Storm Drain at Jackson from Nassau to Hanover Street in the amount of \$79,191.00 by B&C Land Development, Inc., 3785 Old Charleston Hwy., Johns Island, SC 29455. Emergency Justification Form.

i. STORMWATER DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 53070 AMOUNT: \$70,316.31

Approval to have repairs of Flygt Impeller in the amount of \$70,316.31 done by Xylem Water Solutions USA, Inc./Flygt Products, 635 Gold Hill Rd., Fort Mill, SC 29715.

j. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: ACCOUNT: 235000-52206 AMOUNT: \$687,681.00

Approval of Microsoft Cloud Storage service in the amount of \$687,681.00 with WH Platts, the sole source vendor, to provide appropriate video storage and archiving for the Police Department's body-worn and vehicle systems.

k. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: ACCOUNT: 161000-52206 AMOUNT: \$67,855.50

Approval to renew Adobe Software Enterprise Cloud Licensing Agreement for city computers in the amount of \$67,855.50. Nation IPA Technology Solutions Contract# 2018011-01. This agreement is required to renew licensing and support for all Adobe Software products used by City staff for document and report development, web content development and presentation material. Includes Acrobat Pro, Creative Cloud, InDesign, PhotoShop, and Illustrator. Total of 222 different licenses.

l. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: ACCOUNT: 162000-52206 AMOUNT: \$92,223.81

Approval for sole source payment of monthly Routeware operating and support fees for Environmental Services operations in the amount of \$92,223.81. These monthly operating and support fees paid quarterly are the Routeware system implemented for Environmental Services to provide more effective and efficient routing capabilities for all garbage, trash, and street-sweeping vehicles. The fees include support, service fees, cellular data transmission and cloud hosting for the routing data.

m. FIRE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 58010 AMOUNT: \$59,400.00

Approval to purchase one (1) Ford F-250 Service Truck in the amount of \$59,400.00 from LaFayette Ford, Fayetteville, NC for the Fire Department mechanic.

n. FIRE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 58015 AMOUNT: \$67,242.21

Approval to purchase a SCBA Compressor for Fire Station 7 in the amount of \$67,242.21 from Safe Air Systems, 210 Labrador Dr., Randleman, NC 27317. NPPGOV Contract# PS20095.

o. POLICE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 52206 AMOUNT: \$225,000.00

Approval to purchase Fusus Pro Package software used to combine private and public video streaming from the City Safety and Cameras, ALPR's, private citizens, and businesses in the amount of \$225,000.00 from Fusus, 5550 Triangle Parkway, Peachtree Corners, GA 30092. Sole Source. This is funded from the \$1,000,000 ARPA allocation for Police Safety and Security

Cameras. FY23-FY25 costs to be covered via ARPA funding – Security Camera Project. If services are to continue costs will need to be budgeted for in the FY25 budget.

**p. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: ACCOUNT: 940100-58020, 161000-52206
AMOUNT: \$218,587.55, \$187,570.20**

Approval to purchase new Dell Cyber Recovery Vault to provide advanced cyber security protection for City data storage in the amount of \$406,157.75. State Contract# 4400026926. The Dell Cyber Recovery Vault provides additional cyber security capabilities for protecting City data as well as advanced data recovery capabilities. 161000-58020 will cover any ARPA shortfalls.

q. FIRE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 58010 AMOUNT: \$55,742.00

Approval to purchase one (1) 2023 Ford F-250 pick-up in the amount of \$55,742.00 from Vic Bailey Ford. State Contract# 4400029865.

r. FIRE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 58010 AMOUNT: \$56,434.00

Approval to purchase one (1) 2023 Ford Expedition SUV in the amount of \$56,434.00 from Vic Bailey Ford. State Contract# 4400029865.

s. FIRE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 58010 AMOUNT: \$47,572.00

Approval to purchase one (1) 2023 Ford Explorer Hybrid SUV in the amount of \$47,572.00 from Vic Bailey Ford. State Contract# 4400029865.

t. PLANNING DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 940100-52206 AMOUNT: \$1,000,000.00

Approval to establish a contract for the Zoning Code Rewrite in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 with Clarion Associates, 101 Market Street, Ste. D, Chapel Hill, NC 27516. Solicitation # 22-P026R.

4. TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE BLOOMBERG INITIATIVE FOR CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE (BICI) GRANT APPLICATION REQUESTING \$400,000.00 IN GRANT FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A HAWK CROSSWALK FOR THE MARYVILLE BIKEWAY. THE APPLICATION IS DUE BY FEBRUARY 3, 2023. THERE IS NO MATCH REQUIRED.

Councilmember Shealy said there was a lot of discussion on the HAWK crosswalk and of it possibly being at the Sycamore intersection. He asked if it was still going to be a part of that.

Mr. Mathis said the Charleston County project at Sycamore was still moving forward. The item they were discussing was for a grant for the crossing at the bikeway.

Councilmember Shealy asked if there would be an additional crossway at Sycamore or would it be further down from Sycamore for bikes to cross.

Mr. Mathis said it would be a HAWK signal at the bikeway further down from the intersection.

Councilmember Shealy asked if they were adding another red light to St. Andrews Boulevard.

Mr. Mathis said it would be a HAWK signal that was pedestrian activated.

Councilmember Shealy said there was a lot of discussion on the county level and maybe DOT level about not having another stop there. He said he comes through that intersection at Hwy. 171 and Hwy. 61, a minimum of two times a day going into town and there was very heavy traffic. He asked if they knew how many times that would stop traffic.

Mr. Mathis said that the HAWK signal would be coordinated with the other signals so it would operate in conjunction with the other signals.

Mayor Tecklenburg said if you were on the bikeway and pushed the HAWK signal button it wouldn't immediately turn, it would wait until the regular cycle with the red light at Sycamore.

Councilmember Shahid asked if the item went in front of the Traffic and Transportation Committee. He said after Councilmember Sakran and Appel got elected in January, they all met at the location with representatives from the county including County Councilmember Moody. It was in the middle of all three of their districts 3, 9, and 11. It was where the bikeway and the greenway crossed, and it was a very busy road. He said it was for safety if you were trying to cross over Highway 61 but wanted to avoid it interrupting traffic.

Mayor Tecklenburg said the City was just applying for the grant. He said they could bring it to Traffic and Transportation should they be awarded the grant.

On a motion of Mayor Tecklenburg, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the Bloomberg Initiative for Cycling Infrastructure (BICI) grant application requesting \$400,000.00 in grant funding to support the design and construction of a HAWK crosswalk for the Maryville Bikeway.

5. PARKS-CAPITAL PROJECTS: APPROVAL OF THE CITY MARKET HALL SHED REPOINTING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH MIDWEST MAINTENANCE, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$190,951.00 FOR BRICK REPOINTING AND REPLACEMENT AND STUCCO REPAIR AND PAINTING OF MARKET HEAD HALL AT THE CITY MARKET. WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT BUDGET, STAFF IS AUTHORIZED TO AWARD AND/OR AMEND CONTRACTS LESS THAN \$40,000.00 TO THE EXTENT CONTINGENCY FUNDS EXIST IN THE COUNCIL APPROVED BUDGET. APPROVAL OF THIS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WILL OBLIGATE \$190,951.00 OF THE \$222,662.00 PROJECT BUDGET. THE FUNDING SOURCES FOR THIS PROJECT ARE: HOSPITALITY FUND (\$167,000.00) AND CITY MARKET FUND (\$55,662.00).

On a motion of Councilmember Shealy, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the City Market Hall Shed Repointing Construction Contract with Midwest Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$190,951.00 for brick repointing and replacement and stucco repair and painting of Market Head Hall at the City Market.

6. PARKS-CAPITAL PROJECTS: APPROVAL OF FIRE STATION #7 RENOVATIONS CHANGE ORDER #2 WITH SACHELL CONSTRUCTION, LLC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,630.13 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE HVAC DUCT WORK SYSTEM BASED ON ASSESSMENTS PERFORMED DURING THE CLEANING OF THE HVAC SYSTEM. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #2 WILL INCREASE THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT BY \$15,630.13 (FROM \$488,685.10 TO \$504,315.23) AND WILL AMEND THE PROJECT BUDGET TO INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL FUNDING OF \$15,630.13 FROM THE FACILITY MAINTENANCE GENERAL MAINTENANCE LINE ITEM (170100-52410) AND BRING THE TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET TO \$549,489.03. FUNDING SOURCES FOR THIS PROJECT

ARE: 2019 GENERAL FUND RESERVES (\$350,000.00) AND 2022 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE OPERATING BUDGET (170100-52410: \$183,858.90) AND 2023 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE OPERATING BUDGET (170100-52410: \$15,630.13). (1173 FORT JOHNSON ROAD)

On a motion of Councilmember Shealy, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the Fire Station #7 Renovations Change Order #2 with Satchell Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$15,630.13 for the replacement of the HVAC duct work system based on assessments performed during the cleaning of the HVAC system.

7. PARKS-CAPITAL PROJECTS: APPROVAL OF ST. THOMAS ISLAND DRIVE-NOWELL CREEK CROSSING SCDOT SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 WITH SCDOT FOR THE PEDESTRIAN BOARDWALK AND BRIDGE OF THE ST. THOMAS/CLEMENTS FERRY/DANIEL ISLAND PEDESTRIAN CONNECTOR PHASE I PROJECT TO AMEND THE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION DATE TO OCTOBER 31, 2024 AND ADD \$200,000.00 IN FUNDING FROM THE CHATS GUIDESHARE FUNDS AS AUTHORIZED BY THE CHATS POLICY COMMITTEE ON FEBRUARY 3, 2020. APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT HAS NO FISCAL IMPACT. THE FUNDING SOURCES FOR THIS PROJECT ARE: SCDOT GRANT (\$592,000.00), GENERAL FUND RESERVES (\$99,467.00) AND BERKELEY COUNTY CONTRIBUTION (\$60,000.00).

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the St. Thomas Island Drive-Nowell Creek Crossing SCDOT Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with SCDOT for the pedestrian boardwalk and bridge of the St. Thomas/Clements Ferry/Daniel Island Pedestrian Connector Phase I Project to amend the substantial completion date to October 31, 2024 and add \$200,000.00 in funding from the CHATS Guideshare Funds as authorized by the CHATS Policy Committee on February 3, 2020.

8. FIRE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO AN MOU WITH SCDLLR DFLS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISBURSING NON-REOCCURRING FUNDS OF \$1,000,000.00 APPROVED IN THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE REGIONAL COLLAPSE SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM SC-TF3. THERE IS NO FINANCIAL IMPACT WITH THIS MOU. ALL FUNDS ARE PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET AND ARE NON-MATCHING.

On a motion of Councilmember Shahid, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously the approval to enter into an MOU with SCDLLR DFLS for the purpose of disbursing non-reoccurring funds of \$1,000,000.00 approved in the State Budget for the Regional Collapse Search and Rescue Team SC-TF3.

9. POLICE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT EXTENSION BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND THE CITY OF CHARLESTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TO WORK IN COLLABORATION ON THE RACIAL BIAS AUDIT PLAN. THE FINAL PAYMENT OF \$18,500.00 IS INCLUDED IN THE 2023 BUDGET.

On a motion of Councilmember Shahid, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously for approval of an Agreement extension between the

University of South Carolina and the City of Charleston Police Department to work in collaboration on the Racial Bias Audit Plan.

10. POLICE DEPARTMENT: AFTER-THE-FACT APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO AN MOU WITH THE CITY OF NORTH CHARLESTON. NORTH CHARLESTON ACCEPTED THE FY22 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CPD TO FUND \$42,980.00 FOR DATA LINK SOFTWARE.

On a motion of Councilmember Shahid, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve an after-the-fact approval to enter into an MOU with the City of North Charleston. North Charleston accepted the FY22 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in partnership with CPD to fund \$42,980.00 for data link software.

11. POLICE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL OF A RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP AND DATA MOU WITH MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THEIR NATIONAL POLICE STAFFING PROJECT. THE PROJECT IS STUDYING ISSUES RELATED TO OFFICER RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, TRAINING, AND RELATED ISSUES.

Councilmember Shealy asked if there were any cost involved in the item. Chairman Gregorie said that was how he interpreted it.

Ms. Payton said that was correct.

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Mayor Tecklenburg, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve a research partnership and Data MOU with Michigan State University to participate in their National Police Staffing Project.

12. POLICE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHARLESTON AND THE DANIEL ISLAND TOWN ASSOCIATION FOR THE INSTALLATION AND COSTS COVERING (3) FLOCK SAFETY ALPR CAMERA SYSTEMS. FY23-FY24 COSTS TO BE COVERED BY DANIEL ISLAND TOWN ASSOCIATION. IF SERVICES ARE TO CONTINUE COSTS WILL NEED TO BE BUDGETED FOR IN THE FY25 BUDGET.

On a motion of Councilmember Shealy, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously the approval of a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Charleston and the Daniel Island Town Association for the installation and costs covering (3) FLOCK Safety ALPR Camera Systems.

13. THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE (MEETING WAS HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022, AT 3:00 P.M., CONFERENCE CALL: 1-929-205-6099; ACCESS CODE: 835 678 884)

- a. Authorization for the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City of Charleston a License Agreement with Charleston-North Charleston MSA Limited Partnership, D/B/A Verizon Wireless for the purpose of installing a cellular tower on wheels at Brittlebank Park during the month of February for the purposes of improving communications during the Southeastern Wildlife Exposition. The property is owned by the City of Charleston. (TMS# 460-00-00-016)

- b. Authorization for the Mayor to accept an easement on behalf of the City of Charleston for the purpose of a multi-use path across property located on Maybank Highway, Johns Island, Charleston County TMS# 313-00-00-078, and more specifically described on the attached plat. The property is owned by EDP 000 Maybank LLC.
- c. Authorization for the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City of Charleston a quitclaim deed transferring the portion of the closed and abandoned right-of-way for Marsh Street, currently designated as Charleston County TMS# 458-01-04-025, to Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. The property is owned by the City of Charleston. (Union Pier f/k/a Marsh Road) [Ordinance]
- d. Authorization for the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City of Charleston a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Conh Land, LLC regarding parcels of land identified as Charleston County TMS# 312-00-00-103, 312-00-00-104 and 312-00-00-105 for the Barberry Woods Drainage Project. The property is owned by CONH Land, LLC. (Johns Island, SC)
- e. Approval of an application for \$386,000.00 in County Greenbelt funds from the City's "URBAN" Greenbelt allocation. The attached Resolution in support of the application is part of the required submittal. Funds will be used to purchase ±5.41-acre parcel located adjacent to Ashley Hall Rd. and N. Woodmere Dr.
- f. Approval of a Resolution supporting an application by Open Space Institute to the Charleston County Greenbelt Program in the amount of \$250,000.00 to purchase the Bradham Tract. The property is owned by TCH Bradham, LLC. (TMS# 341-00-00-032)
- g. Approval of Lease Agreement for ground floor of James Lewis Affordable Housing Project to house MWBE Entrepreneurial Resource Center/Incubator. Approval of this lease agreement will obligate the City in the amount of \$975,233.00 for "Landlord's Work" per Section 3(B). The City has allocated \$502,389.25 in ARPA funds for this project. With approval of this lease agreement Council is also approving an additional \$472,843.75 in ARPA funding. Future costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the MWBE Entrepreneurial Resource Center will be included in the general operating budget. (91 Hanover Street)
- h. Approval of loan agreement with Florence County Museum.
- i. Approval to amend Ordinance No. 2022-201 providing for the annexation of property located at 1610 Poinsettia Road to correct certain scrivener's errors therein, including the correction of the Council District to reflect Districts adopted in 2022 by changing the District from District 9 to District 7, correction of an error in the name of the property owner Roberto Abbah to Roberto Abbati, and by deleting the annexation map and annexation profile attached to the aforesaid Ordinance and substituting in its place and stead a corrected map, marked Exhibit A, and an annexation profile attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein. [Ordinance]
- j. Please consider the following annexations:

- (i). 742 Arcadian Way (.36 acre) (TMS# 418-15-00-059), West Ashley, (District 9). The property is owned by Ryan and Amy Byrne.
 - (ii). 39 Riverdale Drive (.30 acre) (TMS# 418-14-00-061), West Ashley, (District 9). The property is owned by Andrew Steen.
 - (iii). 480 Magnolia Road (.17 acre) (TMS# 418-13-00-151), West Ashley, (District 9). The property is owned by Tricia Sandusky and Ryan Sandusky.
- k. Executive session pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2) to received legal advice and consideration of request from staff to begin condemnation proceedings to facilitate the Barberry Woods drainage project (TMS#: 312-00-00-0894).
 - l. Executive session pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2) to received legal advice and consideration of request from stormwater staff to acquire properties for the Church Creek Flood Storage Project.

Councilmember Appel, Chairman of the Real Estate Committee, said Item A was for a lease agreement with SEWE for a cell tower on wheels at Brittlebank Park for one month. He said there was discussion about the location and whether the parties could make it visually appealing. The item was approved.

Chairman Gregorie said the location would have more to do with being able to get the signal opposed to whether its appealing. Councilmember Appel said he had no idea but thought a lot of work went into the agreement between Verizon, City Staff, and the organizers of SEWE.

Item B was for an easement and maintenance agreement for a multi-use path on Maybank Highway on Johns Island. He said Charleston County required redevelopment along Maybank Highway to include sidewalks but had no crew to maintain sidewalks. They wanted the City to maintain them. The item was approved.

Mayor Tecklenburg said he had a meeting with the new Chair of County Council, and he brought the item up to him and he was open to having a discussion and understood it wasn't fair to the City financially.

Chairman Gregorie asked if there was any discussion on increasing the amount of money allocated to the City for sidewalks. Councilmember Appel said they did not, but he knew there were some significant investments on sidewalks Citywide over the last few years.

Councilmember Parker asked if they should move the item to Traffic and Transportation. Mayor Tecklenburg said he had an initial conversation with County Council but would be asking staff to draft a proposal to send to the County for a long-term arrangement regarding sidewalk maintenance.

Item C was for Union Pier, and during title analysis it was uncovered that there was a City owned but closed and abandoned right of way for a street called Marsh Street. The City had two options to either quitclaim the deed to Dominion or the City would be required to be on the application for the PUD. The item was approved.

Item D was for authorization for the City to enter into a purchase and sale agreement to acquire parcels in connection with the Barberry Woods Drainage Project. The item was approved.

Item E and F were Greenbelt related applications. Item E was for a \$386,000 application to acquire a 5.41 acre parcel at the corner of Ashley Hall Road and North Woodmere Drive for the use of a park. Item F was for a purchase of property on James Island that was Bradham Tract. It was a Resolution to support the Open Space Institute's application in the amount of \$250,000. The items were approved.

Councilmember Shealy said on the conceptual use plan one of the roads were marked wrong and it needed to be corrected. It said Ashley Hall Plantation and it was Ashley Hall Road.

Item G was approved for a lease agreement for the ground floor of the James Lewis affordable housing project, and it was for the MWBE Entrepreneurial Resource Center/Incubator.

Councilmember Seekings said the City was spending \$975,000 for upfit work that was landlord's work. He asked who's the tenant. Mayor Tecklenburg said the City of Charleston. Councilmember Seekings said the next part after the upfit was going back to the General Operating Budget. He asked if they had any idea what the cost would be going forward. Mayor Tecklenburg said the City was going to partner with the Small Business Administration, but the City did plan and put in the budget to hire one staff member who would act as Manager of the center. Ms. Jordan said they budgeted in the third quarter to hire a Project Coordinator and part-time Administrative Assistant. Councilmember Seekings said the City would have an employee and a half and then operations would ramp up from there in 2024. Ms. Jordan said they were hoping to open the doors in the Spring of 24'. Mayor Tecklenburg said nothing was in the bank, but they were applying for some funding from the State of South Carolina and the Small Business Administration to help with operation of the center.

Councilmember Parker said the City was looking at another million dollars and she knew that it was coming from ARPA funds. She said she believed during the budget meeting it was said that there was \$3 million left. She asked if the item was coming out of that amount. Mayor Tecklenburg said the additional \$472,843.75 would be. Councilmember Parker said it was a big number and wanted it spent in the best place. She said it was another million of ARPA funds that could be used for infrastructure.

Councilmember Mitchell said the area was devastated when they took the bridge down and the City lost a lot of homes in that particular area. The people that lost their homes were there for years and they didn't want to move. He said he worked hard to assist the homeowners in getting housing. The project was to upgrade the Community and to help educate people that wanted to start businesses.

Councilmember Gregg asked if they had multiple bidders on the project. Mayor Tecklenburg said it parlayed from the lease agreement and the development agreement that the City had with the company that was building the James Lewis affordable housing. He said they had a lease on

the whole property, an agreement to build the four or five story building. They couldn't put residential on the ground floor because of elevation.

Item H was a loan agreement with the Florence County Museum for a portrait of Francis Marion. The item was approved.

Item I was approved for an amendment to a prior annexation ordinance for 1610 Poinsettia Road. There were errors with the district and the property owner's name.

Item J was for three annexations. The items were approved.

Item K and L were for two executive sessions. Item K was for legal advice on the Barberry Woods Drainage Project and Item L was for legal advice on the Church Creek Flood Storage Project. After coming out of executive sessions a motion was made and unanimously approved to direct legal to take all necessary actions to acquire the relevant parcels up to of course condemnation.

Mayor Tecklenburg said he recused himself from the last item.

On a motion of Councilmember Appel, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the Real Estate report as presented and recommended giving first reading to the following bills:

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute, on behalf of the City of Charleston, a Quitclaim Deed to Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc., for a portion of the former right-of-way for Marsh Street, closed and abandoned by the City pursuant to Resolution adopted August 19, 1986, now designated as Charleston County TMS No. 458-01-04-025, subject to the reservation in favor of the City and its agents of any and all necessary water, sanitary and storm sewer, and other utility easements which may run thereon.

An ordinance to amend Ordinance Number 2022-201 providing for the annexation of property located at 1610 Poinsettia Road to correct certain scrivener's errors therein, including the correction of the Council District to reflect districts adopted in 2022 by changing the district from District 9 to District 7, correction of an error in the name of the property owner Roberto Abbah to Roberto Abbati, and by deleting the annexation map and annexation profile attached to the aforesaid ordinance and substituting in its place and stead a corrected map, marked Exhibit A, and an annexation profile attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 742 Arcadian Way (.36 acre) (TMS# 418-15-00-059), 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. The property is owned by Ryan and Amy Byrne.

An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 39 Riverdale Drive (.30 acre) (TMS# 418-14-00-061), 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. The property is owned by Andrew Steen.

An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 480 Magnolia Road (.17 acre) (TMS# 418-13-00-151), 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. The property is owned by Tricia Sandusky and Ryan Sandusky.

There being no further business presented, the Committee on Ways and Means adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Brittany Pinckney
Assistant Clerk of Council