

Public Facilities and Safety Committee Beaufort County, SC

Council Chambers, Administration Building Beaufort County Government Robert Smalls
Complex 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort

Monday, March 27, 2023 3:00 PM

MINUTES

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chairman Cunningham called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

PRESENT

Chairman Logan Cunningham

Vice-Chairman David P. Bartholomew

Council Member Thomas Reitz

Council Member Paula Brown

Council Member Anna Maria Tabernik

Ex-Officio Joseph F. Passiment

Council Member Mark Lawson (arrived at 3:20 PM)

Council Member York Glover

Council Member Alice Howard

Council Member Gerald Dawson

Council Member Lawrence McElynn

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Chairman Cunningham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. FOIA

Committee Chairman Cunningham noted that public notification of this meeting had been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Tabernik, to approve the agenda.

The Vote - The motion was approved without objection.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

6. UPDATE ON AIRPORT TERMINAL IMPROVEMENT

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Airports Director Jon Rembold updated the Committee on phase one of the Hilton Head Airport terminal improvement, including the bidding process, funding, and construction and renovation plans, such as a new TSA checkpoint and boarding gate area.

Committee Chairman Cunningham and Director Rembold discussed the 24-month timeline for phase one construction.

7. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FAIR HOUSING MONTH

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Howard, to recommend approval of a resolution recognizing Fair Housing Month.

The Vote - The motion was approved without objection.

8. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A 30,000 GRANT FROM AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (ASPCA) FOR DISASTER RESPONSE

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, seconded by Council Member Reitz, to recommend approval of a resolution to accept a 30,000 grant from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) for disaster response.

Discussion: Council Member Tabernik asked about the purpose of the grant. ACA John Robinson replied that the grant provides Beaufort County Animal Services with prevention, mitigation, and recovery services, including food, shelter, and kennels, for domestic animals and livestock.

Council Member Glover confirmed with ACA Robinson that the grant covers livestock.

The Vote - The motion was approved without objection.

9. RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO AWARD RFQ FOR ON-CALL RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Bartholomew, to recommend approval to award RFQ for on-call right of way services.

The Vote - The motion was approved without objection.

10. RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO AWARD KIMLEY HORN CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES TO CHERRY POINT ROAD AND THE INTERSECTION OF SC 170 (\$162,752)

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, seconded by Council Member Bartholomew, to recommend approval to award Kimley Horn Contract for engineering services to cherry point road and the intersection of SC 170.

Discussion: ACA Fralix commented on the plan to carry out traffic studies and design planning for Cherry Point Road to address development needs and the traffic back-up around Okatie Elementary. ACA Fralix highlighted that the road design would be completed upfront and that developments would pay for their portion of the road construction.

Council Member Howard asked about the timeline. ACA Fralix replied that the design and permitting process would take six to nine months and that the construction timeline would depend on the development projects.

Council Member Bartholomew asked about a lunchtime traffic study. ACA Fralix replied that the lunch traffic is not as big of an issue compared to the school drop-off and pick-up times.

Committee Chairman Cunningham asked about the impact on Malind Bluff.

Council Member Passiment and ACA Fralix discussed the addition of a signalization warning because of the curve in the road.

Council Member Glover and ACA Fralix discussed the planned work on SC 170.

The Vote - The motion was approved without objection.

11. RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO AWARD MEAD & HUNT CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE SC 46 WIDENING PROJECT (\$1,053,734.19)

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, seconded by Council Member Brown, to recommend approval to award Mead & Hunt a contract for engineering services for the SC 46 widening project.

Discussion: ACA Fralix discussed the SC 46 widening from the traffic circle, the SC 170 widening, and the Ribaut Road reimagining.

Council Member Tabernik asked about safety enhancements to the roundabout and the timeline. ACA Fralix replied that the project could take eighteen months to two years because of the NEPA and federal agency approval requirements.

Council Member Bartholomew and ACA Fralix discussed the work percentages outlined in the plans and the federal funding implications.

The Committee and ACA Fralix discussed the location and planned widening of SC 46.

The Vote - The motion was approved without objection.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned: 3:23 PM

Ratified: June 26, 2023