

Public Facilities Committee Beaufort County, SC

This meeting was held both in person at the County Council Chambers, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, and virtually through Zoom.

Tuesday, January 18, 2022 3:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rodman called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Rodman led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. <u>FOIA</u>

Chairman Rodman stated public notice of this meeting had been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the SC FOIA Act.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, seconded by Council Member Howard to approve the agenda.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NOVEMBER 15, 2021

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Lawson, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Glover to approve November 15, 2021 minutes.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

6. **<u>CITIZEN COMMENTS</u>**

Arnold Brown commented on the Pathways Project Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive sidewalk and how he believes there wasn't any information or misinformation about the sidewalk project given to the citizens that live around Martin Luther King.

7. ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Discussion: Jared Fralix provided an update 5- year Resurfacing Plan.

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8. AIRPORTS UPDATE

Discussion: Jared Fralix provided an update on both airports. Hilton Head Island Airport (HXD) & Beaufort Executive Airport (ARW).

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AGENDA ITEMS

9. **RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD IFB #112221E BOUNDARY STREET TENNIS COURT RENOVATIONS**

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated on October 20, 2021, Beaufort County published an Invitation for Bid (IFB) for the renovation of the tennis courts located at the corner of Boundary Street and Bladen Street. The renovation will include demolition of the existing courts and fence enclosures, site work to correct the drainage issues and install rain gardens, and the construction of seven new courts/fencing/net hardware/etc., sidewalks, and improvements to include ADA-access to all courts.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Howard, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Glover to approve the Contract to McGrath Industries DBA Talbot Tennis for IFB#112221E and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

10. **RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 2022 PALMETTO PRIDE LITTER CREW GRANT AWARD**

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated Beaufort County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department applied for the 2022 Palmetto Pride Litter crew Grant on November 29, 2021, after County Council's permission to apply (October 11, 2021). The grant was offered to eligible applicants (city or county governments) for litter removal in areas that are unsafe for volunteers and to either start or supplement an existing program. Beaufort County has an existing program. All funds (\$25,000) will be spent in the calendar year 2022 toward roadside litter removal. A solicitation for bid will be generated and advertised via our Purchasing Department.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Dawson, seconded by Council Member Lawson to approve the resolution of award for the 2022 Palmetto Pride Litter Crew Grant for \$25,000.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

- 11. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTIES ENCUMBERING THE ROAD RIGHT OF WAY FOR SCHOOL ROAD
- 12. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTIES ENCUMBERING THE ROAD RIGHT OF WAY FOR CHURCH ROAD

13. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTIES ENCUMBERING THE ROAD RIGHT OF WAY FOR FRANCES JONES BLVD

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated the County has been maintaining many roads for over 20 years with an assumed prescriptive right of way referred to as "legacy roads". County staff has been working with property owners to perfect the right of way on "legacy roads" by requesting formal conveyance of ROW from associated property owners. School Road is (~8400 LF), Church Road is (~3300 LF), and Frances Jones Blvd is (~1800 LF) all located on Daufuskie Island for the 4th-year.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, seconded by Council Member Lawson to approve the right of way associated with School Road, Church Road, and Frances Jones all located on Daufuskie Island and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

14. PATHWAYS PROJECT PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY – DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DRIVE SIDEWALK

Discussion: Brittany Fields stated per Resolution 2019-44, Beaufort County is to conduct two public meetings on each of the projects associated with the 2018 One Cent Sales Tax Referendum. The first public meeting was held from October 19, 2020, through November 20, 2020, with 24 responses for the project. The second public meeting included a virtual meeting from October 22, 2021, through November 19, 2021, along with a community meeting held November 4, 2021, to disseminate information and obtain public input regarding the proposed 8' pathway from US 21 to Jonathan Francis Senior Road.

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15. FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE IX. GOVERNMENT-OWNED PROPERTY AND FACILITIES, DIVISION 2. RESTRICTED ACCESS

Discussion: Phil Foot stated this amendment will prohibit sleeping, camping, etc. on county-owned property and facilities. It mirrors an existing state statute that prohibits the same on the statehouse grounds. Adoption of the amendment will allow the Sheriff to arrest and prosecute anyone who violates the provisions of the amendment. The Sheriff's Office has agreed to enforce the amended ordinance.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Lawson, seconded by Council Member Howard to approve the first reading of the amendment to prohibit camping on County-owned properties and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

16. SPANISH MOSS TRAIL – RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021 (ARPA) TRAVEL, TOURISM, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT FUNDS (FISCAL IMPACT: INCOMING GRANT FUNDS - \$800,000)

17. BEAUFORT HIGH SCHOOL REALIGNMENT – RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021 (ARPA) TRAVEL, TOURISM, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT FUNDS (FISCAL IMPACT: INCOMING GRANT FUNDS - \$5,500,000)

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated the Spanish Moss Trail extension from Smilax Avenue to Appleton Road and Beaufort High School Realignment became eligible for funds under the American Rescue Plan Act 2021 (Public Law 117-2) (ARPA). The purpose of these funds is to provide economic relief to travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation sectors in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Motion: It was moved by Motion made by Council Member Howard, seconded by Council Member Lawson to approve the permission to apply for the American Rescue Plan Act 2021 (ARPA) Travel, Tourism,

and Outdoor Recreation Grant Fund for Spanish Moss Trail and Beaufort High School Realignment and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

18. APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR THE GOOD JOBS CHALLENGE GRANT (FISCAL IMPACT: THE \$500,000 ARPA APPROPRIATION WOULD BE USED AS THE MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE GRANT OPPORTUNITY)

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated ARPA Good Jobs Challenge is a grant that aims to get Americans back to work by building and strengthening systems and partnerships that bring together employers who have hiring needs with other key entities to train workers with in-demand skills that lead to good-paying jobs.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, Seconded by Council Member Lawson to approve the permission to apply for the Good Jobs Challenge grant: America Rescue Plan program grant funds and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

19. CREATION OF CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND POSSIBLE 2022 TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX PROJECT LIST AND/OR VALUE/DURATION LIMITATION.

Discussion: County Administrator Eric Greenway stated the consensus of the County Council has been that we pursue a 2022 referendum for another transportation sales tax and that a citizens advisory committee be established to recommend a project list and value/duration limitation.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Howard to approve the recommendation of the County Administrator, and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

20. RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD RFQ#111921E TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM MANAGEMENT TO J. BRAGG CONSULTING, LLC. (\$410,197.48)

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated on November 19, 2021, Beaufort County received 6 submissions to RFQ#111921E Transportation Program Management. A committee of five evaluated the submissions and interviewed three firms. From the three firms, the committee determined J. Bragg Consulting, LLC the most qualified. Beaufort County is requesting program management services for transportation projects throughout Beaufort County. The firm will act as an extension of staff by assisting in the management, coordination, programming, public outreach, scheduling, and all other related services.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Howard to approve the recommendation to award RFQ#111921E Transportation Program Management to J. Bragg Consulting, LLC. and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

21. VACANCIES

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- 22. CONSIDERATION OF REAPPOINTMENTS OF JEFF ALTHOFF, RANDY BOEHME, CHRISTOPHER CAMPBELL, PAMELA FLOYD, JEAN FRUH, JOAN GUALDONI, CAROL MURPHY, DIANE VOGE TO THE KEEP BEAUFORT COUNTY BEAUTIFUL BOARD WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2026
- 23. CONSIDERATION OF REAPPOINTMENTS OF STEVE ANDREWS AND ALLYN SCHNEIDER TO THE STORMWATER AND UTILITY BOARD WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2026

Motion: <u>It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, seconded by Council Member Lawson to approve</u> reappointments to Keep Beaufort County Beautiful Board and Stormwater reappointments and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

24. CHAIRMAN'S WRAP UP

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25. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM