



Public Facilities Committee Meeting

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Public Facilities Committee Minutes

Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 3:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rodman called the meeting to order at 3:57 PM

PRESENT

Committee Chairman Stu Rodman
Committee Vice-Chair York Glover
Council Member Brian Flewelling
Council Member Joseph F. Passiment
Council Member D. Paul Sommerville
Council Member Gerald Dawson
Council Member Chris Hervocho
Council Member Alice Howard
Council Member Mark Lawson
Council Member Lawrence McElynn

ABSENT

Council Member Logan Cunningham

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Rodman led the Pledge of Allegiance

FOIA

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to Amend: It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, seconded by Council Member Howard to add Airport Capital Improvement Program (ACIP) list for Beaufort Executive Airport (ARW) and Hilton Head Island Airport (HXD).

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The motion was not given to approve minutes for December 21, 2020

INFORMATION ITEMS

UPDATE ON CONVENIENCE CENTER CHANGES AND DECAL SYSTEM

Discussion: Cindy Carter stated Implementation of operational changes to the Beaufort County Convenience Centers as reflected in the Goldsmith report of November 2019. New hours and days of operation began October 1, 2020. Closure of Pritchardville and Gate Centers December 31, 2020. Decal system initiated January 2, 2021

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AIRPORT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (ACIP) LIST FOR BEAUFORT EXECUTIVE AIRPORT (ARW) AND HILTON HEAD ISLAND AIRPORT (HXD)

Discussion: Jon Rembold stated the National Airports Capital Improvement Plan is an internal FAA document that serves as the primary planning tool for identifying and prioritizing critical airport development and associated capital needs funding.

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DAUFUSKIE ISLAND FERRY EMBARKATION UPDATE

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated on August 1, 2016, Beaufort County entered a contract with Daufuskie Island Ferry Services to provide daily passenger ferry services for Daufuskie Island residents, long-term renters, property owners, and County employees. At the time of the agreement the embarkation point was Palmetto Bay Marina. Due to hurricane impacts in the fall of 2016 the embarkation point was moved to Bluffton Oyster Factory Park initially (October 2016 – January 2017), and then to Buckingham Landing. The ferry has been using the Buckingham Landing location since January 2017.

Chairman Rodman read the public comments about the ferry.

Sender: Leanne McJunkin Coulter

As Chair of the Daufuskie Island Council, I have concerns regarding the RFP that was just proposed by the County administration. In section 2.1, the RFP states there are approx. 350 residents living on Daufuskie Island, in addition to long term renters and part-time residents. In section 2.1, the required number of parking spaces is 35. Current ferry parking for residents and visitors is the number one issue facing the ferry service. The RFP does not have any requirements regarding parking lighting, pavement, or a covered shelter space for the summer heat or rain. There is no mention of restroom facilities.

The DI council has repeatedly volunteered to assist the BC administration to insure necessary items were included in the ferry RFP. The requirement of 35 parking spots should be off the table. As a resident of Beaufort County, I know the County can issue a better Ferry RFP for the residents of DI. The Daufuskie Island Council is asking the Facilities Committee to not accept the contract requirements as written. Please rescind this RFP.

Thank you,

Leanne Coulter, Daufuskie Island Council Chair

Sender: Steve Hill

Daufuskie Island Ferry contract on 19 Jan Public Facilities Meeting.

Beaufort County recently issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for public ferry service to Daufuskie Island. Review of the RFP reveals the document contains incorrect information and out-of-date requirements. Beaufort County should expect better. Recommend the RFP be retracted and revised. Daufuskie Island Council is prepared to assist County staff to capture the most appropriate specifications.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

PUBLIC FACILITIES 2020 PROJECT LIST DISCUSSION

Discussion: Chairman Rodman ** read Public Facilities Open Issues ** page 11 - 12

Council Member Sommerville asked about Multiple homes on duplexes, multi-plex properties.

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PATHWAYS PUBLIC MEETING NO. 1 SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated Beaufort County collaborated with NP Strategy, J.Bragg Consulting, Inc., and Infrastructure Consulting and Engineering, PLLC. to host the first Pathways Public Meeting virtually from October 19, 2020 through November 20, 2020. 139 total comments were received regarding the 14 priority pathways throughout Beaufort County. After reviewing all feedback received, a recommendation was provided to County staff from J.Bragg Consulting, Inc. on a proposed implementation plan. Staff plans to move forward with the recommendation as presented.

Council Member Howard stated a comment provided suggested the pathways be tied into the current park. Can this be looked into.

Jared Fralix stated if this is something the community would like then we can look into this.

Council Member Lawson asked if Burnt Church Road Project would be delayed.

Jared Fralix stated it will be delayed.

Council Member Dawson stated he would like to see sidewalks be done in all districts that are looking for improvement.

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ACTION ITEMS

RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD FOR RFQ#092320TE US 21 CORRIDOR DESIGN AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated on August 25, 2020, Beaufort County published a solicitation for design and engineering services for the Lady's Island Access Roads. Seven(7) firms submitted their qualifications for consideration and after evaluations from our evaluation team of Jared Fralix, Beaufort County Assistant County Administrator, Mike Meetze, J.Bragg Consulting Project Manager, Matt St. Clair, City of Beaufort Director of Public Works, and Jennifer Necker, SCDOT Lowcountry RPG Engineer, it was determined that Stantecis most qualified firm for this project. The projects included in this recommendation of award are US 21 Corridor; SC 802 Corridor; Beaufort high school Realignment.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, seconded by Council Member Lawson to Award for RFQ#092320TE US 21 Corridor Design and Engineering Services to move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING ENTERPRISE FUND RATE STUDY – TISCHLER BISE

Discussion: Cindy Carter stated Tischler Bise will present options for a fee associated with the Solid Waste and Recycling Enterprise Fund Ordinance. Report dated November 16, 2020.The fee should be established prior to February 2021 to go into effect for budget year FY22.

Carson Bise read ** Solid Waste Enterprise Fund ** pgs 32 - 42.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, seconded by Council Member Howard to move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

Decision was reversed to come back later with further discussion

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF UTILITY EASEMENT #901093 ENCUMBERING PROPERTY OWNED BY BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated Beaufort County has been constructing the new Arthur Horne building and requires electric service upgrades from Dominion Energy. Dominion energy has agreed to waive the estimated \$50,000 (Transformer and primary feed) cost in exchange for Utility Easement # 901093 to place an additional underground primary service feeder from Prince Street to Boundary Street.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Dawson, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Glover to move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF UTILITY EASEMENT #901094 ENCUMBERING PROPERTY OWNED BY BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated Beaufort County is in the process of building the new Arthur Horne Building and is trying to maximize space available for future parking. Dominion Energy has recommended placing a transformer east of the new building allowing for the elimination of a junction box and removal of the existing feeder.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Dawson, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Glover to move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD FOR IFB#120320E BLUFFTON LIBRARY INTERIOR RENOVATION

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated the project consists of re-arranging reading areas within the existing Library including wall modification, new finishes, and new flooring. Minor mechanical, plumbing, and electrical is involved. The area of disturbance is approximately 60% of the existing facility. Faculty will be able to remain on site.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Howard, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Glover to move forward to county council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Chairman Rodman read comments previously.

Sarah Weening, gave comment about intersection on Buck Walter Parkway.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned 5:12 PM