

Public Facilities and Safety Committee Beaufort County, SC

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

Monday, June 26, 2023 3:00 PM

MINUTES

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Vice-Chair David Bartholomew called the meeting to order.

PRESENT

Vice-Chairman David P. Bartholomew

Council Member Thomas Reitz

Council Member Paula Brown

Council Member Anna Maria Tabernik

Council Member Alice Howard

Council Member York Glover

Council Member Gerald Dawson

Council Member Lawrence McElynn

ABSENT

Chairman Logan Cunningham

Council Member Joseph F. Passiment

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Vice-Chair David Bartholomew led the pledge of allegiance.

3. FOIA

Committee Vice-Chairman Bartholomew 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 McElynn, seconded by Council Member Glover, to approve the agenda.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, seconded by Council Member McElynn, to approve the minutes of March 27, 2023.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

6. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

No citizen comments.

7. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2022/45 BY REMOVING THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 68 HELMSMAN WAY WITH TMS NO. R552 010 000 0309 0000 AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, seconded by Council Member McElynn, to recommend approval of an ordinance amending Ordinance 2022/45 by removing the property located at 68 Helmsman Way with TMS No. R552 010 000 0309 0000 and other matters related thereto.

Discussion: Council Member Tabernik asked about ownership of 68 Helmsman Way. County Attorney Ward replied that SCDOT is the property owner and that County staff are working with SCDOT on a permanent lease.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

8. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BEAUFORT COUNTY ORDINANCE REGARDING A ROAD USE FEE

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Howard, seconded by Council Member Glover, to recommend approval of an ordinance to amend the Beaufort County Ordinance Regarding a Road Use Fee.

Discussion: Assistance County Administrator Fralix discussed how the road use fee is applied to registered vehicles and supports the maintenance of County roads and facilities. ACA Fralix also discussed the implications of the Bruns v. Greenville County court case and the introduction of legislation to allow the road use fee to continue in a modified state. ACA Fralix added that staff recommends the fee be increased to \$20.

Council Member Dawson and ACA Fralix discussed the purpose of the fee increase and funding provided for road projects.

Council Member Howard and Engineering Department Director Claussen discussed the miles of unpaved roads in the County.

Council Member Tabernik and ACA Fralix discussed how the road use fee would keep pace with maintenance efforts on County roads. Director Claussen added that the fee would be evaluated on an annual basis.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

9. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES AND FUNDING FOR DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES ON BEAUFORT COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2 MULLET STREET

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member McElynn, seconded by Council Member Reitz, to recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the demolition of structures and funding for demolition of structures on Beaufort County owned property located at 2 Mullet Street.

Discussion: County Attorney Ward commented on the purchase to expand parking lots and other infrastructure, the appraisal conducted, and the recommendation to demolish the current dock system.

Public Works Director Desai commented on the engagement of a marine contractor to inspect the dock and how the assessment determined that demolishing the dock structure would be the better cost and safety option.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

10. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS REGARDING RELOCATION OF DETAINEES ON A TEMPORARY BASIS DURING AN EMERGENCY, WITH AIKEN COUNTY, ALLENDALE COUNTY, CHARLESTON COUNTY, COLLETON COUNTY, DORCHESTER COUNTY, FLORENCE COUNTY, GREENVILLE COUNTY, HAMPTON COUNTY, JASPER COUNTY, LEXINGTON COUNTY, ORANGEBURG COUNTY, AND RICHLAND COUNTY

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Howard, seconded by Council Member Dawson, to recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to execute mutual aid agreements regarding relocation of detainees on a temporary basis during an emergency, with Aiken County, Allendale County, Charleston County, Colleton County, Dorchester County, Florence County, Greenville County, Hampton County, Jasper County, Lexington County, Orangeburg County, and Richland County.

Discussion: ACA Robinson commented on the renewal of annual contracts, the extension of the contracts for five years, and the reciprocal service provided.

Council Member Tabernik and ACA Robinson discussed how Beaufort County had transferred inmates to other facilities as part of these mutual aid agreements.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

11. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES FOR A CONTRACT AWARD TO W.M. ROEBUCK, INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TEMPORARY WOOD POLE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF US 278 AND CROSSTREE DRIVE/GATEWAY DRIVE (WINDMILL HARBOUR) USING SCDOT'S STATEWIDE CONTRACT (FISCAL IMPACT: up to \$500,000.00)

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, seconded by Council Member Brown, to recommend approval of a resolution to approve the use of transportation impact fees for a contract award to W.M. Roebuck, Inc. for the construction of a temporary wood pole traffic signal at the intersection of US 278 and Crosstree Drive/Gateway Drive (Windmill Harbour) using SCDOT's statewide contract.

Discussion: County Administrator Greenway commented on Windmill Harbour's longstanding traffic issues and approval by SCDOT Secretary Hall to create a temporary signal because of SC 278's five-year bridge construction project.

Council Member Tabernik asked about the decision to put in a temporary signal instead of the mast arms. County Administrator Greenway replied that the mast arms can only be installed once road improvements are completed.

Committee Members commented on the ten-year request to add a traffic light and thanked County staff for moving this issue forward.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

12. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES FOR A CONTRACT AWARD TO W.M. ROEBUCK, INC. FOR IFB #053123 CONSTRUCTION OF MAST ARM INTERSECTION AT BLUFFTON PARKWAY, FLAY CREEK DR, AND RIVER RIDGE DR (FISCAL IMPACT: \$384,984.60)

Motion: It was moved by Council Member McElynn, seconded by Council Member Tabernik, to recommend approval of a resolution to approve the use of transportation impact fees for a contract award to W.M. Roebuck, Inc. for IFB #053123 construction of mast arm intersection at Bluffton Parkway, Flay Creek Dr, and River Ridge Dr and to move this time-sensitive item forward to full Council tonight.

Discussion: Director Claussen commented that the item would replace a wood pole signal put in last year with a mast arm signal.

Council Member Tabernik and Director Claussen discussed how the mast arm signal was chosen to match other poles on Bluffton Parkway.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

13. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES FOR A CONTRACT AWARD TO APAC ATLANTIC FOR IFB #062323 SC 170 NEAR-TERM IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CAPACITY AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS FROM OKATIE CENTER SOUTH TO SC 462 (FISCAL IMPACT: \$8,111,030.29)

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Glover, seconded by Council Member McElynn, to recommend approval of a resolution to approve the use of transportation impact fees for a contract award to APAC Atlantic for IFB #062323 SC 170 near-term improvements for the construction of capacity and safety improvements from Okatie Center south to SC 462.

Discussion: Director Claussen commented on the plan to enter into a cost-share agreement with the City of Hardeeville and Jasper County to address safety capacity concerns at spot locations along SC 170 and the incorporation of scheduled DOT work to address better lane utilization.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

14. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH SCDOT FOR PAVEMENT OVERLAY AND PAVEMENT MARKING IMPROVEMENTS ON US278 AND INTERCHANGE RAMPS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SC170 NEAR-TERM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE COUNTY

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, seconded by Council Member Howard, to recommend approval of a resolution to approve an intergovernmental agreement with SCDOT for pavement overlay and pavement marking improvements on US278 and interchange ramps to be included in the SC170 near-term improvements project in the county.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

15. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A REQUEST FOR PRIVATE ROAD ACCEPTANCE OF MASTER'S WAY

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https://beaufortcountysc.new.swagit.com/videos/250982?ts=1716

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Reitz, seconded by Council Member Tabernik, to recommend approval of a request for private road acceptance of Master's Way.

Discussion: ACA Fralix commented on the location of Master's Way, Hilton Head Christian's road access and signal development, and the County's road acceptance policy and evaluation process. ACA Fralix added that Master's Way would connect Bluffton Parkway and H.E. McCracken Middle School. ACA Fralix also highlighted the recommendation to accept Master's Way into the County's road inventory.

Council Member Tabernik asked if the County Transportation Committee knew about the recommendation to accept Master's Way and the road's future maintenance needs. ACA Fralix replied that the CTC had not been briefed yet, but that Master's Way would be added to the next road network evaluation and provided an overview of road rehabilitation.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

16. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD FOR RFP 050923 DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING SERVICES FOR CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS AND BULKY WASTE FOR BEAUFORT COUNTY TO WASTE MANAGEMENT (FISCAL IMPACT: \$250,000)

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Howard, seconded by Council Member Dawson, to recommend approval of a contract award for RFP 050923 Disposal and Recycling Services for Construction and Demolition Debris and Bulky Waste for Beaufort County to Waste Management.

Discussion: Director Desai commented on the recommendation to award Waste Management a three-year unit rate contract with the option of two additional annual renewals.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

17. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARDS FOR RFP 051023 (YARD WASTE RECYCLING) TO BE DIVIDED BETWEEN GREEN RECYCLE RESOURCES AND OLIVER'S CLEAN BURN (FISCAL IMPACT: COMBINED TOTAL OF \$185,000)

Director Desai commented on the provision of yard waste disposal service and the addition of vendors to create flexibility in operations.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Howard, seconded by Council Member Brown, to approve contract awards for RFP 051023 (Yard Waste Recycling) to be divided between Green Recycle Resources and Oliver's Clean Burn.

Discussion: Council Member Howard asked if the contract involved municipalities. Director Desai confirmed that the contract was strictly County.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

18. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD FOR RFP 030723 DEBRIS MANAGEMENT CONTRACTING SERVICES TO CERES AS PRIMARY AND CROWDER GULF AS SECONDARY CONTRACTOR

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https://beaufortcountysc.new.swagit.com/videos/250982?ts=2152

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, seconded by Council Member Howard, to vote on items 18 and 19 as a package.

Discussion: Director Desai commented on the contract for services in an emergency event, such as a named storm, and the selection of primary and secondary contractors.

Council Member Tabernik and Director Desai discussed the differences between air curtain incinerators and controlled open burning.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

19. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD FOR RFP 030823 DEBRIS MANAGEMENT MONITORING SERVICES TO TETRA TECH

Items 18 and 19 were voted on as a package.

Director Desi commented on the debris monitoring services contract to meet FEMA reimbursement requirements.

20. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD TO BEAUFORT CONSTRUCTION OF SC, LLC TO CONSTRUCT A WAREHOUSE EXPANSION OF THE VOTERS REGISTRATION BUILDING ON 15 JOHN GALT ROAD (FISCAL IMPACT: \$358,000.00 plus \$35,800.00 contingency for the construction of the warehouse expansion)

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member McElynn, seconded by Council Member Glover, to recommend approval of a contract award to Beaufort Construction of SC, LLC to construct a warehouse expansion of the Voters Registration Building on 15 John Galt Road.

Discussion: Capital Improvement Projects Director Larson commented on the 1,800-square-foot addition to the building to expand the warehouse space and the 10% contingency to cover change orders.

Council Member Howard and Director Larson discussed the storage of voting equipment and the calibration of machines.

Council Member Glover and Director Larson discussed the contract advertisement to solicit vendors, the high demand for qualified contractors, and how Beaufort Construction of SC was the only bidder for the project.

Council Member McElynn and Director Larson discussed building and operational security.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

21. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD TO C.E. BOURNE & CO., INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES TO RENOVATE THE INTERIOR AND INSTALL A NEW HVAC SYSTEM IN THE MC RILEY POOL IN BLUFFTON (FISCAL IMPACT: \$1,950,200 plus \$195,000.00 contingency for the construction of the MC Riley Pool Phase II renovations)

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Glover, seconded by Council Member Tabernik, to recommend approval of a contract award to C.E. Bourne & Co., Inc. for construction services to renovate the interior and install a new HVAC system in the MC Riley Pool in Bluffton.

Discussion: Director Larson commented on the previous contract with C.E. Bourne to replace the roof of the MC Riley Pool building and the second phase of the renovations, which include the installation of a new HVAC system, removal of sliding doors, and minor upgrades to flooring and restrooms. Director Larson added that the contract used the Omnia Cooperative contract program to solicit bids.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

22. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD TO TITAN CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES TO CONSTRUCT PHASE 1 REPAIRS TO THE SPANISH MOSS TRAIL BRIDGE NEAR THE TECHNICAL COLLEGE OF THE LOWCOUNTRY ON BATTERY CREEK (FISCAL IMPACT: \$172,000.00 plus \$17,200.00 contingency for the construction of Phase 1)

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Howard, seconded by Council Member Dawson, to approve a contract award to Titan Construction Management for construction services to construct Phase 1 repairs to the Spanish Moss Trail bridge near the Technical College of the Lowcountry on Battery Creek.

Discussion: Director Larson commented on project bidding and the project's three phases.

Council Member Howard and Director Larson discussed the decision to split the project into three phases because of challenges with soliciting bidders due to the need for specialty contractors and the plan to bid the next phase later in the year.

Council Member Glover and Director Larson discussed updates and maintenance for other Spanish Moss Trail bridges.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

23. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD TO LGC GLOBAL FACILITY MANAGEMENT FOR THE JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR BEAUFORT COUNTY RFP 040623 (FISCAL IMPACT: \$809,356.96)

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https://beaufortcountysc.new.swagit.com/videos/250982?ts=2928

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Dawson, seconded by Council Member McElynn, to recommend approval of a contract award to LGC Global Facility Management for the Janitorial Services for Beaufort County RFP 040623.

Discussion: Director Larson discussed the RFP process to hire new janitorial services for County facilities, the interviews conducted with bidders, and the preference for LGC Global's management team and execution plan.

Council Member Dawson and Director Larson discussed LGC Global's headquarters location and the plan for them to set up a local office.

Council Member Howard, Council Member Glover, and Director Larson discussed the services still provided by DSN consumers.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

24. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF AWARD FOR IFB #051223 TO COASTAL AIR TECHNOLOGIES FOR HVAC REPLACEMENT AT THE BEAUFORT COUNTY COURTHOUSE (FISCAL IMPACT: \$1,484,536.00)

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Glover, seconded by Council Member McElynn, to recommend approval of an award for IFB #051223 to Coastal Air Technologies for HVAC replacement at the Beaufort County Courthouse.

Discussion: Director Lawson commented on replacing the rooftop units, indoor air handling units, and the chiller and that once awarded, the equipment would be 52 to 56 weeks out.

The Vote – The motion was approved without objection.

25. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned: 3:55 PM

Ratified: August 28, 2023