RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Kit Smith, Chair District 5

Mike Montgomery District 8

Paul Livingston District 4

District 7

Joseph McEachern Valerie Hutchinson District 9

Tuesday, September 26, 2006 6:00 PM

Report of Actions

CALL TO ORDER – Kit Smith called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the July 25, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – The agenda was adopted as submitted.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

- A. Coroner: Request to Change Part-Time Clerk I Position to Full-Time Secretary **Position** – The committee voted to retain this item for further analysis. The committee requested a caseload report from the Coroner's Office for the past three fiscal years, further information on what would happen to the part-time position, and requested the Coroner's presence at the October A&F meeting.
- Consent B. Design/Build for State Farmers' Market Project – The committee recommended that Council approve the design/build concept for the State Farmers' Market Project, and authorize procurement to publish a bid for the design/build.
- Consent C. Sheriff Budget Amendment: Homeland Security Coordinator FTE (\$28,250) – The committee recommended that council give first reading to a budget amendment in the amount of \$28,250 for a Homeland Security Coordinator FTE. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- D. Sheriff Budget Amendment: School Resource Officer FTE (\$42,566) The Consent committee recommended that council give first reading to a budget amendment in the amount of \$42,566 for a School Resource Officer FTE. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- **Consent** E. Ordinance Authorizing the Sale and Issuance of up to \$4 million General Obligation Bonds for the Purchase of Sheriff Vehicles - The committee

recommended that Council give first reading to an ordinance authorizing the sale and issuance of up to \$4 million general obligation bonds for the purchase of Sheriff vehicles. The committee also requested additional information on the cost of issuance and interest. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Consent

- **F.** Budget Amendment: Transportation Consultant (Carter Goble Lee, \$56,400) The committee recommended that council approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$56,400 for transportation consultant services. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- **G.** Approval of MOU with the Renaissance Foundation for Funding of the Bethel Cultural Arts Center The committee recommended that this item be forwarded to the October 17, 2006 regular Council meeting without recommendation.

Consent

H. Emergency Services Grant Approvals – The committee recommended that council approve the Emergency Service Department's request to accept the Citizen Corp grant (\$9,018) and the Emergency Planner grant (\$100,000). The vote in favor was unanimous.

Consent

- I. Ordinance Authorizing the Sale and Issuance of up to \$7,000,000 Hospitality Tax Special Obligation Bond Anticipation Note for the Purchase of Recreation Property The committee recommended that Council give first reading to an ordinance authorizing the sale and issuance of up to \$7 million general obligation bonds for the purchase of recreation property. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- **J. Broad River Regional Wastewater Treatment Rate Adjustment** The committee recommended that council approve Option B, adding a \$500 impact fee to new customer tap fees, and increasing user fees by \$5.43 per month to cover the balance of debt service payment.

II. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / DISCUSSION

- A. Amendments to Special Property Tax Assessment for Rehabilitated Historic Properties (Bailey Bill) Mr. Pope gave the committee an update on proposed changes to the county's historic preservation ordinance. Mr. Pope informed the committee that a letter has been sent to the City Manager asking the city to split the cost of a financial impact study with the county.
- **B.** Green Committee Mr. Cronin informed the committee that the city was in the process of establishing a Green Committee to study environmental issues in the city and make recommendations to City Council. Without objection, the Chair asked staff to bring a proposal for a similar county committee back to the A&F committee in October.

III. ITEMS PENDING ANALYSIS

- **A.** Business License Ordinance This item is pending further analysis.
- **B. Ordinance Restructuring the Public Works Department** This item is pending further analysis.

Adjournment

Staffed by Joe Cronin