## **RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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Tuesday, November 29, 2005 6.00 PM

## **Recommendations**

## **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

- A. Funding for the Newly Appointed Medical Examiner for Richland County The Consent committee recommended that Council approve the hiring of a medical examiner that would serve within county government under the direction of the Coroner. The committee also recommended that an explanatory letter be drafted and sent to the Legislative Delegation and other interested parties. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.
- B. Richland County Neighborhood Council The committee recommended that Consent Council approve alternative number five, which would include providing free meeting space, Neighborhood Leadership Training and the hiring of one temporary employee. The motion was amended to include the addendum to evaluate the program after 12 months. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.
- Consent C. Resolution Stating the County's Position on State Tax Reform Initiatives – The committee recommended that Council approve the resolution urging the General Assembly to maintain its commitment to Home Rule, and to be mindful of the potential consequences that a millage cap or elimination of property taxes may have on county government. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- Consent D. Reallocation of Funds for pay Increases in the Sheriff's Departments – The committee recommended that Council approve this item, but noted that caution should be given to elected officials that Council retains the ability to reclassify positions due to the fact that such reclassifications create long-term budget implications.
- E. Companion Resolution to Public Hearing to be Held on December 6, 2005 Consent **Regarding Bond Issuance** – The committee recommended that Council approve the resolution authorizing "host approval" of the bond issue, and to conduct a public hearing on December 6, 2005. The vote in favor was unanimous.

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