

Richland County Council Detention Center Ad Hoc Committee

MINUTES

October 24, 2023 – 2:30 PM Council Chambers 2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Derrek Pugh, Chair, Overture Walker, and Cheryl English

OTHERS PRESENT: Anette Kirylo, Michelle Onley, Leonardo Brown, Crayman Harvey, Angela Weathersby, Ashiya Myers, Lori Thomas, Patrick Wright, Bill Peters, Hayden Davis, Jennifer Wladischkin, Ashley Fullerton, Tamar Black, and Stacey Hamm

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Councilman Derrek Pugh called the meeting to order at approximately 2:30 PM.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. September 26, 2023 – Ms. English moved to approve the minutes as distributed, seconded by Mr. Pugh.

In Favor: Pugh, Walker, and English The vote in favor was unanimous.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – Ms. English moved to adopt the agenda as published, seconded by Mr. Walker.

In Favor: Pugh, Walker, and English

The vote in favor was unanimous.

4 ITEMS FOR ACTION

- a. <u>Detainee Food Service Provider</u> County Administrator, Leonardo Brown, stated both items are continuation of processes already in place. He noted on August 14, 2023, the County issued a solicitation for a Detainee Food Service Provider at the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center (ASGDC). The solicitation closed on September 13, 2023. The solicitation is done to ensure the County can adequately provide the service on a continual basis with the upcoming expiration of the existing agreement. The current agreement expires on December 31, 2023. After a thorough evaluation of all submittals, the evaluation team recommends entering into negotiations and, upon completion of successful negotiations, awarding an agreement to Trinity Services Group, Inc. to provide these services.
 - Mr. Pugh inquired if Trinity Services Group is currently providing these services.
 - Mr. Brown responded the current provider is Summit.
 - Mr. Pugh inquired how the bidding process was conducted.

Mr. Brown replied the bid package was sent out detailing all the things we needed related to the food service. The vendors then tell us what they can do to meet the County's needs. County staff receives the bids, scores them, and ultimately comes up with a recommendation. He noted the current provider did submit a bid.

Mr. Walker moved to forward this item to Council with a recommendation to enter into negotiations and, upon completion of successful negotiations, award an agreement to Trinity Services Group, Inc., seconded by Ms. English.

In Favor: Pugh, Walker, and English The vote in favor was unanimous.

b. <u>Alvin S. Glenn Visitation Center Conversion Project Contract Award</u> – Mr. Brown noted this item is associated with the attorney-client visitation center. This would be an addition to the Detention Center, and we believe it represents an increased level of excellence. By undertaking this project, the County improves opportunities for interaction between attorneys and their clients, increases the safe and secure movement of detainees throughout the facility, and contributes to the improvement of the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center. This item and its funding were included in the General Obligation Bond packet before Council.

Mr. Walker moved to forward this item to Council with a recommendation to award a contract to JM Cope to construct the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center Attorney Visitation Center, seconded by Ms. English.

In Favor: Pugh, Walker, and English

The vote in favor was unanimous.

5. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. Walker moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. English.

In Favor: Pugh, Walker, and English

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:36 PM.