RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

TRANSPORTATION AD HOC COMMITTEE

September 13, 2016 5:00 PM Admin Conference Room

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, persons requesting notification, and was posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County

Administration Building

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Livingston called the meeting to order at approximately 5:02 PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

<u>July 20, 2016</u> – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to adopt the agenda as published. The vote in favor was unanimous.

FOR ACTION

<u>Supplemental Intergovernmental Agreement: Farrow Road and Pisgah Church Road Intersection Improvement</u> – Mr. Perry stated the supplemental intergovernmental agreement between the County and SCDOT for the intersection improvement would add SCDOT as the condemner with the County against the SC Dept. of Disabilities and Special Needs.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to move forward with staff's recommendation. The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>Utility undergrounding estimate: Atlas Road Widening</u> – Mr. Perry stated the additional costs to the project would be approximately \$8 million. The project's total cost without undergrounding the utilities is \$25 million.

Mr. Malinowski inquired about the costs of relocating the communication lines since it is not included in the estimate given.

Staff stated the costs would be bore by the communications companies.

Mr. Malinowski inquired if dollar amounts for undergrounding utilities were mentioned for the various projects.



Council Members Present

Paul Livingston, Chair District Four

Jim Manning District Eight

Seth Rose District Five

Others Present: Rob Perry Shawn Salley Tony Edwards Michelle Onley Daniel Driggers Transportation Ad Hoc Committee Tuesday, September 13, 2016 Page Two

Mr. Perry stated there a few neighborhood improvement projects that included undergrounding of utilities, but the other projects do not include funding.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to direct staff to proceed as originally planned.

Mr. Livingston requested a friendly amendment to include the following language: "unless another funding source is identified".

Mr. Malinowski accepted the friendly amendment.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>Utility undergrounding estimate: Bluff Road Phase II Widening</u> – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to direct staff to proceed as originally planned unless another funding source can be identified.

Mr. Rose inquired about the savings realized during the Bluff Road Phase I Widening and how they could be utilized to underground the utilities.

Ms. Myers stated this project is in her district and she would like to see the utilities undergrounded, but does not want it to be halfway done.

Mr. Rose made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to hold in committee and direct staff to review the project and report back to the committee funding options to facilitate the undergrounding of utilities. The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>Utility undergrounding estimate: Clemson Road Widening</u> – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to direct staff to proceed as originally planned unless another funding source can be identified. The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>TPAC Request: SLBE Contracting Reports</u> – Mr. Perry stated Council was provided a bi-weekly transportation report by the former Administrator, Mr. McDonald. In July 2016, the Interim County Administrator began distributing a weekly Administrator's Report which included countywide topics. This new format does not include the SLBE contracting report previously included in the bi-weekly report; therefore, it was excluded from the TPAC agenda. The TPAC members voiced their opposition to not receiving this report although it was not a part of their current role and responsibilities.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to not provide the SLBE contracting report unless it becomes a part of TPAC's roles and responsibilities.

Ms. Virginia Sanders, TPAC member, voiced her concerns with not being provided the information.

Mr. Manning made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to defer this item until the next Transportation Committee meeting. The vote in favor was unanimous.

The Committee went into Executive Session at approximately 5:39 p.m. and came out at approximately 5:43 p.m.

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<u>Right-of-Way Acquisition: Clemson Road and North Springs Intersection Improvement</u> – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to proceed as discussed in Executive Session. The vote in favor was unanimous.

FOR INFORMATION

<u>Draft Concept Report: Blythewood Road Widening</u> – Mr. Perry stated the draft concept reports are available that shows the alternatives for widening Blythewood Road from I-77 to Syrup Mill.

Mr. Perry stated Tony Edwards has been promoted to Asst. Director of Transportation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:49 PM

The Minutes were transcribed by Michelle M. Onley, Deputy Clerk of Council