RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

TRANSPORTATION AD HOC COMMITTEE

January 19, 2016 1:00 PM 4th Floor 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 1:01 PM

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

MOTIONS FROM JANUARY 12, 2016 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

a. I move that the Significant Purchase Ordinance (Richland County Code Section 2-591) be immediately repealed in its entirety [ROSE]

Mr. Rose moved that in the future the selection of the Program Development Team be handled according to the County established procurement process.

The motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to table this item until the next committee meeting. The vote was in favor.

Mr. Malinowski requested a copy of the above cited ordinance for review and that staff forward their input on how the repeal of the ordinance will affect the businesses.

b. I move that the Transportation Advisory Committee ("TPAC"), be renamed the Citizens' Transportation Advisory and Oversight Committee, that it be codified in the Richland County Code of Ordinances, that its Chair be an ex officio member of the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee, and that its purpose and duties be amended [ROSE]

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to forward this item to the Transportation Penny Advisory Committee for additional information and to obtain the committee's recommended changes. The committee's recommended



Council Members Present

Paul Livingston, Chair District Four

Bill Malinowski District One

Seth Rose District Five

Jim Manning District Eight

Others Present:
Torrey Rush
Norman Jackson
Rob Perry
Chris Gossett
Shawn Salley
Tony Edwards
Tony McDonald
Larry Smith
Kristen Hutto
Brenda Parnell
Larry Smith
Cheryl Patrick
Monique McDaniels
Michelle Onley

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changes should be forwarded back to the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee in writing by the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee's next meeting.

c. Moving forward the SLBE program shall be funded from the Richland County General Fund, not the Transportation Penny tax, and all penny revenues already spent on the SLBE program shall be fully reimbursed to the Penny Transportation program [ROSE]

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to approve this item.

Mr. Malinowski stated on p. 2 of Mr. McDonald's response to DOR's letter this matter was explained in detail. The response provided the County's future plans and how this matter was handled previously.

Mr. Rose responded Council sets policy and not County staff. Therefore, if it is going to be a policy decision the SLBE is not to be funded out of the Penny program that needs to come from the policymakers.

Mr. Malinowski further stated he believes the policy is currently in place and that is the why the County Administrator responded the way he did.

Mr. Jackson reiterated Mr. Malinowski's comments and stated he could not support using General Fund dollars to support Penny program expenditures.

Mr. Livingston recommended forwarding Mr. Rose's motion to the budget process.

Mr. Rose stated going forward the SLBE program could be expanded to a County-wide endeavor instead of solely focusing on Penny projects.

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to forward this item to the budget process.

Mr. Jackson stated the SLBE program was initially set up to assist the PDT with moving SLBE businesses forward.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

d. Motion to reconsider the role of the Transportation Penny Advisory Committee (TPAC), the Penny Tax Citizen Watchdog group [JACKSON]

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to forward this item to the Transportation Penny Advisory Committee for review and recommendations.

Mr. Jackson stated on March 10, 2015 he made a motion to "Amend the duties of the Transportation Penny Advisory Committee (TPAC) to similar duties of the Planning Commission as a recommending body on any changes or additions to projects pertaining to the Penny Tax Program". Council voted against this motion and now Mr. Rose is bringing it back.

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Mr. Livingston stated he supports forwarding this to the TPAC, but not a motion wherein they are structured like the Planning Commission. The committee should be able to research every option. In order to discuss this matter fully, the Transportation Director, the Procurement Director, the PDT Team and Legal need to be in attendance at the meeting where this matter is discussed.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

GILLS CREEK GREENWAY PROJECT (STATUS DISCUSSION)

Mr. Perry stated:

- There is a public information meeting scheduled for February 11th
- Coordinating with a flood response asset; meeting scheduled for January 20th to present the project and insure that what is proposed is thoughtful and logical given the recent flooding event
- Prudent to present the displays to City Council members that represent this area
- The public comment period will be approximately 2 weeks; comments will be brought back to the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee in March

CLEMSON ROAD AND SPARKLEBERRY LANE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (STATUS DISCUSSION).

Mr. Perry stated:

- The Transportation Committee was provided with a draft concept report for the intersection improvement of Clemson Road and Sparkleberry Road in November
- Public information meeting was held December 3, 2015
- The "Diverging Diamond" alternative was recommended

Mr. Malinowski requested that adequate signage be placed at the intersection.

RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION – NORTH MAIN STREET WIDENING PROJECT AND SHOP ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT

The Committee went into Executive Session at approximately 1:26 p.m. and came out at approximately 1:39 p.m.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to forward to Council with a recommendation to move forward as discussed in Executive Session. The vote in favor was unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Rose proposed a motion for the Transportation Director and staff to meet with the Program Development Team manager to discuss restructuring or eliminating the public relations portion of the Program Development Team's contract. Once staff and the PDT have met they would bring back a recommendation to the committee.

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Mr. Rose stated he has some concerns regarding the public relations portion of the program. Therefore, he would like this matter discussed between staff and the PDT to recommend some changes.

Mr. Manning stated anytime the Program Development Team and staff meet and they see that something could be adjusted. Staff should forward their proposed changes to Council for further action.

Mr. Malinowski stated it is his belief that any motions need to go through full Council and be assigned to a committee by the Chair.

Mr. Rose stated he feels this matter needs to be addressed as expediently as possible.

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to instruct the Transportation Director and the Program Development Manager to discuss the public relations scope of duties and report back to committee.

Mr. Manning stated he believes a representative from the Legal Department also needs to be included in the meeting.

Mr. Malinowski requested a legal opinion regarding making motions in committee meetings.

Mr. Smith stated the Council Rules speak to motions being made at County Council meetings and the Chair assigning said motion to a particular committee.

Mr. Livingston stated he believes the committee could add the motion under "Other Business" and simply forward the motion to the Council meeting.

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to amend the agenda and the motion under "Other Business". The vote was in favor.

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to forward to Council a recommendation that the Transportation Director and staff meet with the Program Development Manager to discuss the public relations portion of the Program Development Team's scope of duties. The vote was in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:55 PM

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