

Richland County Council Transportation AD Hoc Committee Meeting MINUTES

September 27, 2022 – 4:00 PM Council Chambers 2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Jesica Mackey, Chair, Bill Malinowski, Derrek Pugh, and Paul Livingston ABSENT: Overture Walker

OTHERS PRESENT: Anette Kirylo, Nathaniel Miller, Jeff McNesby, Ali Eliadorani, Michael Maloney, Michelle Onley, Leonardo Brown, Quinton Epps, Jennifer Wladischkin, Lori Thomas, Chelsea Bennett, Dale Welch, Aric Jensen, Justin Landy, Angela Weathersby, Kyle Holsclaw, Stacey Hamm, Abhijit Deshpande, Susan O'Cain

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairwoman Mackey called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 PM. She noted that Councilman Overture Walker had a prior County engagement that prevented him from attending the committee meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

 a. <u>July 19, 2022</u> – Mr. Livingston moved to approve the minutes as distributed, seconded by Mr. Pugh

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston, and Mackey

Not Present: O. Walker

The vote in favor was unanimous.

3. <u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u> – Mr. Livingston moved to adopt the agenda as published, seconded by Mr. Pugh.

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston, and Mackey

Not Present: O. Walker

The vote in favor was unanimous.

4. ITEMS FOR ACTION

a. <u>Dirt Road Package N – Award of Contract</u> – Mr. Michael Maloney, Public Works Director, stated this item includes the paving of three dirt roads, Cornell Adams, Summer Haven Drive – Phase II, and Vallenga Road. The lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder for Dirt Road Paving Package "N" was McClam and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$1,428,084.50 with a 15% contingency of \$214,212.68 for a total amount of \$1,642,297.18.

Mr. Malinowski requested maps that indicate the locations of the roads.

Mr. Maloney responded in the affirmative.

Mr. Livingston moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve staff's recommendation to award the contract to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder to McClam and Associates in the amount of \$1,428,084.50 with a 15% contingency of \$214,212.68 for a total amount of \$1,642,297.18, seconded by M. Pugh.

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston, and Mackey

Not Present: O. Walker

The vote in favor was unanimous.

b. Resurfacing Package S – Award of Contract – Mr. Maloney stated staff recommends awarding the contract for Resurfacing Package "S" to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder Palmetto Corp of Conway in the amount of \$3,192,428.19, with a 15% contingency of \$478,864.23 for a total amount of \$3,671,292.42. He noted it was a large package that came in under the Engineer's estimate. Resurfacing programs have been highly successful in bringing these projects in. We are nearing the end of this budget program and are ahead of schedule.

Mr. Malinowski moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve staff's recommendation to award the contract to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder Palmetto Corp of Conway in the amount of \$3,192,428.19, with a 15% contingency of \$478,864.23 for a total amount of \$3,671,292.42, seconded by Mr. Pugh.

Mr. Livingston inquired how much is left in the resurfacing budget.

Mr. Maloney noted after this package and Resurfacing Package "T" are awarded we will have approximately \$2M - \$3M left in the budget. Presumably, we could do one more package.

Mr. Livingston stated, for clarification, we will have enough for the next package.

Mr. Maloney responded in the affirmative.

Ms. Mackey inquire why there is an SLBE goal for this project.

Ms. Wladischkin responded the SLBE goal is determined by the number of available SLBEs who can perform work on the project. Dirt road packages are different from resurfacing packages, and there were not any SLBEs who could perform this project.

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston and Mackey

Not Present: O. Walker

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- c. <u>Wetland Credit Sales</u> Mr. Maloney stated that staff requested approval of four (4) separate requests to purchase mitigation credits:
 - 1. 1. SCDOT for the US 21 Bridge Replacement Project in Lexington County, SC for 3.17 wetlands credits at a rate of \$12,500 per credit
 - 2. West Fraser, Inc. for a development for 1.08 wetland credits at a rate of \$12,500 per credit
 - 3. Pointe Grand Columbia, LLC for Powell Road & Technology Circle for 455 stream credits at a rate \$200.00 per credit
 - 4. GS Jacobs Creek, LLC for Blythewood Farms Phase 2 for 3.1 wetland credits and 548 stream credits for \$12,500 and \$200 per credit, respectively

The mitigation credit sales will generate \$272,611.13, which will be credited to the Transportation Penny Program.

Mr. Malinowski moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve the purchase of mitigation credits, seconded by Mr. Livingston

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston and Mackey

Not Present: O. Walker

The vote in favor was unanimous.

d. <u>Bull St/Elmwood Avenue Intersection – Award of Contract</u> – Mr. Maloney stated the lowest, responsive bidder was CR Jackson, Inc., in the amount of \$3,554,748.46 with a 7.5% contingency of \$266,606.13 for a total amount of \$3,821,354.59. This will come from transfer within the road projects. We had savings from indemnifying the Clemson Widening project to cover approximately \$756,156.19 for the project. The project will utilize night construction to minimize traffic in this high-volume intersection.

Mr. Livingston moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve staff's recommendation to approve the award to CR Jackson, Inc., in the amount of \$3,554,748.46 with a 7.5% contingency of \$266,606.13 for a total amount of \$3,821,354.59, seconded by Mr. Pugh.

Mr. Malinowski noted the briefing document states the bid was 17.7% higher than the Engineer's estimate and then follows up with a statement that the bid was compared to the Engineer's estimate and was considered consistent in price. It would appear these are conflicting statements. He stated, in essence, the engineer did not have the correct bid estimate.

Mr. Maloney responded in the affirmative.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston and Mackey

Against: Malinowski

Not Present: O. Walker

The vote in favor passed.

5. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. Malinowski moved to adjourn, seconded to Mr. Pugh.

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston and Mackey

Not Present: O. Walker

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:15PM.