



Richland County Council  
Transportation Ad Hoc Committee  
**MINUTES**  
November 17, 2022 – 3:00 PM  
Council Chambers  
2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

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COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Jessica Mackey, Chair, Bill Malinowski, Derrek Pugh, and, Paul Livingston.

Absent: Overture Walker

OTHERS PRESENT: Angela Weathersby, John Thompson, Tamar Black, Abhijit Deshpande, Aric Jensen, Leonardo Brown, Patrick Wright, Michelle Onley, Anette Kirylo, Jennifer Wladischkin, Jeff McNesby, Michael Maloney, Stacey Hamm, Nathaniel Miller, Ashiya Myers, Kellie Odom, Lori Thomas, Quinton Epps, Chelsea Bennett, Susan O’Cain and Ali Eliadorani

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairwoman Jessica Mackey called the meeting to order at approximately 3:00 PM.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. **Minutes: September 27, 2022** – 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. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** – Mr. Livingston moved to approve the agenda as published, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston, and Mackey.

Not Present: O. Walker.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

4. **ITEMS FOR ACTION** –

a. **Lake Tide Summit Credit Sales** – Mr. Michael Maloney, Public Works Director, stated staff recommended approval of a request to sell 3.132 wetland credits at \$20,000 per credit. The

mitigation sales will generate \$59,064.30 which will be credited to the Transportation Penny Program.

Mr. Malinowski moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve Lake Tide Summit Development's request to purchase 3.132 wetland credits at a rate of \$20,000 per credit for a development project in Lexington County, SC, seconded by Mr. Livingston.

Mr. Livingston inquired if we are sure we will not need these credits for additional projects or economic development.

Mr. Maloney responded they are retaining 100 wetland credits and 3,400 streambank credits. After this sale, we will have 597 wetland credits and 18,787 streambank credits.

Ms. Mackey requested Mr. Maloney to explain what is done with the money collected from the sale of the credits.

Mr. Maloney responded the funds will go into the Transportation Penny revenue fund and remains there as an offset to the initial investment.

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston, and Mackey.

Not Present: O. Walker.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- b. Resurfacing Package T – Mr. Maloney stated staff recommended awarding the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder Palmetto Corp of Conway, in the amount of \$2,804,188.59, with a 15% contingency for a total of \$3,224,817.00. The package includes 25 resurfacing projects and Mauney Road (i.e. Tyson facility improvement), which requires a full-depth reclamation.

Mr. Malinowski inquired why we did not rebid or negotiate when the bid came in 24% over the engineer's estimate.

Mr. Maloney responded we would have had to rebid. He noted the bidders were within 10% of each other and rebidding and would not have generated a better outcome. As far as the engineer's estimate, Mauney Drive may not have been properly considered because of the full reclamation. It is not a typical resurfacing and is one of the more expensive projects.

Mr. Malinowski inquired if Mauney Drive was included in the engineer's estimate.

Mr. Maloney responded in the affirmative. He could provide a breakdown.

Mr. Malinowski inquired if there is a reason why the contingency is so high.

Mr. Maloney responded they looked at a lower contingency of 7% with other projects and that is something we could look at for this project.

Mr. Malinowski stated he does not want to set a negative precedent with the high bids and contingencies.

Mr. Malinowski moved to forward to Council with a recommendation to award the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Palmetto Corp of Conway, in the amount of \$2,804,188.59 and include a 7.5% contingency, seconded by Mr. Livingston.

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston, and Mackey.

Not Present: O. Walker.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

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

In Favor: Malinowski, Pugh, Livingston, and Mackey.

Not Present: O. Walker.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:10 PM.