

TRANSPORTATION PENNY PROGRAM TRANSITION

Information for Richland County SLBEs and the Business Community



THE TRANSPORTATION TEAM

- Director:
 - Michael Niermeier, MPA, PMP
- Deputy Director:
 - Allison Steele, P.E.
- Administrative Coordinator:
 - Eden Logan, MBA
- Manager of Contracts and Budget:
 - Nathaniel Miller
- Senior Accountant:
 - Alicia Pearson
- Pre-Construction Engineering Manager:
 - Mohammad Al-Tofan
- Construction Engineering Manager:
 - Kimberley Toney
- Assistant County Administrator:
 - Dr. John Thompson, Ph.D., MBA, CPM
- Program Development Team
 - Program Manager: David Beaty, P.E.



AGENDA

- Program History
- Funding Categories
- Transition Timeline



PROGRAM HISTORY

- 2010: Referendum placed on ballot and failed
- 2012: Referendum placed back on the ballot and passed. Collections of \$1.07 billion or 22 years, whichever comes first.
- 2013: Council appointed a 15-member Transportation Penny Advisory Committee (TPAC)
- 2013: Council approved the hire of a Transportation Director and three additional staff to manage the program
- 2013: Council approved a Small Local Business Enterprise Ordinance (SLBE)
- 2014: Council selected a Program Development Team (PDT), 5 On-Call Engineering Teams and a Dirt Road Paving Team

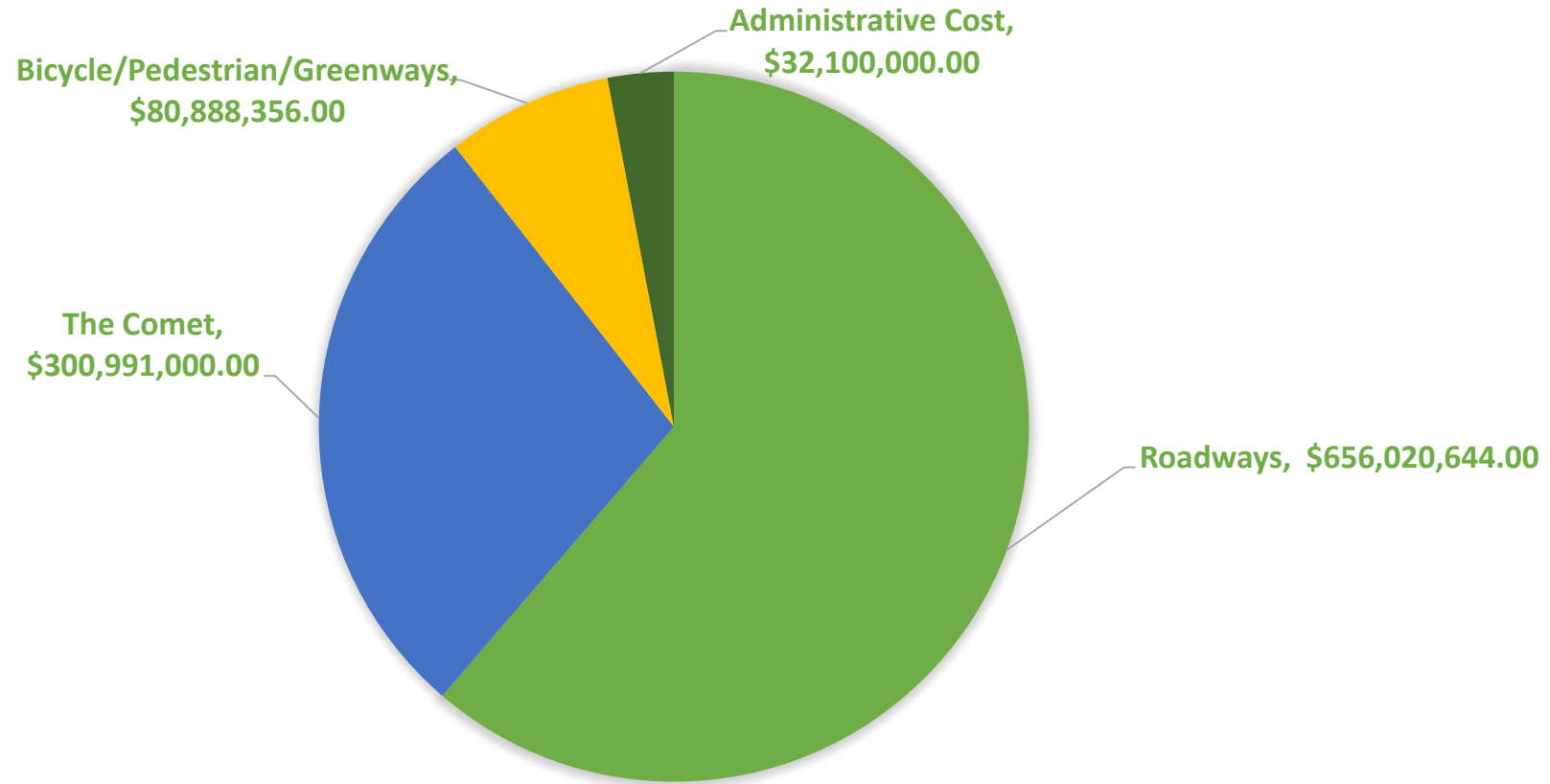


PROGRAM HISTORY

- March 7, 2018: South Carolina Supreme Court Opinion
- April 12, 2018: South Carolina Circuit Court Order: Tether all expenditures to specific County Transportation Program Projects funded with the Penny Tax
 - Prohibited from paying \$50,000 monthly fee for Public Information/Public Relations
 - Prohibited from paying for the Mentor/Mentee Program
 - Prohibited from using funds to organize and staff the Small Local Business Enterprise Program
- July 1, 2018: First County Council approved budget
- March 5: County Council approves transition of Penny Program management to County staff



PROGRAM FUNDING CATEGORIES



TRANSITION TIMELINE

- Current:
 - Working to fill newly created Engineering and Inspector positions in the Transportation Department
- April:
 - Work to finalize a transition plan for management of specific projects from PDT to the County
- May:
 - PDT finalizes list of all Penny-funded assets for return to the County
- July:
 - Relocation of Transportation Department to new facility
- October:
 - Ensure all accounting issues\invoices are addressed
 - All assets returned to the County



IMPACTS OF THE TRANSITION

- Program management function changes to the County
 - Construction Management, Inspections, and Engineering
 - Use of other County capabilities as appropriate
- Existing contracts continue
- New contacts solicited and procured through Richland County Procurement
- TPAC continues in its advisor roll



Questions and Concerns



