

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MARCH 23, 2010**

The Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, March 23, 2010 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 2:02 p.m. Mr. Derrick, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

William C. Derrick, Chairman	*John W. Carrigg, V Chairman
Bobby C. Keisler	William B. Banning, Sr.
James E. Kinard, Jr.	

*Mr. Carrigg arrived after the meeting was already in session.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

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

Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Grant Award (Goal 2) - Public Works - Synithia Williams, Environmental Coordinator - Ms. Williams presented a request to accept the revised Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Grant award in the amount of \$29,961. The grant was initially awarded in July 2009. The revised grant excludes the off-road equipment. An in-kind County match of \$13,289 is required and will be the cost for installation of the devices. The funds will be used to purchase 23 diesel oxidation catalysts (DOC) and 10 crankcase ventilators (CCV) to retrofit on-road diesel vehicles reducing the emissions of particulate, carbon monoxide, and hydrocarbons.

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to approve acceptance of the revised Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Grant.

The vote was in favor. Mr. Carrigg arrived after the meeting was in progress and did not vote.

FY10 SCDOT Enhancement Grant Request - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director - Mr. Fechtel presented requests for "C" Funds to assist with local matches for the FY10 SCDOT Enhancement Grant. The requests for Council's consideration are the proposed Airport Boulevard Beautification Project (SC 302/Airport Corridor) and sidewalks on Bush River Road from Seven Oaks Shopping Center toward the Lake Murray Dam. The proposed Airport Boulevard Beautification Project is being submitted by City of Cayce, City of West

Columbia, and Town of Springdale (total project estimated at \$17 million). Mr. Fechtel said each municipality is eligible for \$145,000 (80%) each in federal funds which would require a 20 percent local match of \$36,250 each. The total award for all three would be \$543,750 with a local match of \$108,750. He said the County is also eligible for the same grant for \$145,000 federal funds but the match would be 60/40 percent and would require a local match of \$96,667. The total award for the County and three municipalities would be \$785,417. The Hallmark Homeowners Association grant request is for sidewalks from the Seven Oaks Shopping Center on Bush River Road towards the Lake Murray Dam. They are eligible for the \$145,000 federal funds with a local match portion of \$96,667. Mr. Fechtel reported the "C" Fund Special Projects available balance is \$90,250. The grant applications are due to the Central Midlands Council of Governments (CMCOG) on April 6, 2010.

A motion was made by Mr. Banning, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend to full Council to approve moving forward only with the Airport Boulevard Beautification Project request. (The Hallmark Homeowners Association will remain on the FY2010-11 list for consideration.)

In Favor:

Mr. Banning	Mr. Keisler
Mr. Derrick	Mr. Kinard

Opposed:

Mr. Carrigg

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Banning to recommend the County offer the municipalities the \$90,250 from the "C" Fund Special Projects towards the Airport Boulevard Beautification Project and the municipalities put up the difference between the \$108,750 with the \$90,250 so the application submission would be for \$543,750. Or, if the municipalities want to apply for the entire \$785,417, then the County will submit its own grant request and contribute its match of \$96,667 but the municipalities will need to make their own match of \$36,250 each.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

SCDOT Pelion Road Request - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director - Mr. Fechtel presented a two-part request from the South Carolina Department of Transportation for the current Pelion Road paving project. He reported SCDOT has \$200,000 of County funds still in contingency for the project. They are requesting \$90,000 to extend paving Pelion Road by an additional 800 feet of which they can acquire right-of-way rights. Staff recommends approval of this request. SCDOT is also requesting \$35,000 in order to place a one inch overlay on the road where the contractor had to redo in order to meet SCDOT's standards. Staff does not recommend this request since it is more for aesthetics.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend to full Council to allow contingency for the \$90,000 for the additional 800 feet but not the \$35,000 for the one inch overlay of triple treatment.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of February 9, 2010 - A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Banning to approve the February 9, 2010 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - Traffic Congestion, Alternate Material for Road Swells, New Road - Corley Mill/Riverchase, Assessment of Ponds Inventory, Flooding Issues - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

William C. Derrick
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk