

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

March 26, 2019

A meeting of the Committee on Ways and Means was held this date beginning at 4:33 p.m.

PRESENT (12)

The Honorable John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor

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| Councilmember White | District 1 | Councilmember Waring | District 7 |
| Councilmember Shealy | District 2 | Councilmember Seekings | District 8 |
| Councilmember Lewis | District 3 | Councilmember Shahid | District 9 |
| Councilmember Mitchell | District 4 | Councilmember Griffin | District 10 |
| Councilmember Wagner | District 5 | Councilmember Moody | District 11 |
| Councilmember Gregorie - <i>absent</i> | District 6 | Councilmember Jackson | District 12 |

1. INVOCATION:

The meeting was opened with an invocation provided by Councilmember Shealy.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion of Councilwoman Jackson, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2019 Committee on Ways and Means meeting.

The minutes of the March 14, 2019 Committee on Ways and Means meeting were deferred.

3. BIDS AND PURCHASES

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the bids and purchases as follows:

FIRE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT:211000-52008 APPROPRIATION: \$200,000

Approval to establish a contract for Bailout Kits for the Charleston Fire Department with Rescue Products International, Inc., 73 Mt. Pleasant Turnpike, Denville, NJ 07834; Solicitation #18-B051R;

Reserve from 2018 Budget.

BFRC: ACCOUNT:136000-52206 APPROPRIATION: \$42,000

Approval to establish a contract for a Text Messaging Software with Citibot, 176 Clark Avenue, Charleston, SC 29412; Solicitation #18-P044C

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION: ACCOUNT:220000-52972 APPROPRIATION: \$111,540

Approval to increase the amount of the contract with Asphalt Concepts, LLC (Solicitation #17-B011S) from \$61,540 to \$111,540.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: ACCOUNT:235000-52206 APPROPRIATION: \$181,494.48

Approval of renewal of Police Department's dispatch records management system (RMS) annual maintenance and support with Superior LLC; Sole Source Vendor. This provides continued annual maintenance and support for the critical operations of the Police Department's Records Management System (Dispatch).

PUBLIC SERVICE: ACCOUNT:193010-52206 APPROPRIATION: \$35,000

Approval to increase the Master Agreement for Professional Services with AECOM for additional work (2019 Additional Dry Weather Screening from \$448,289 to \$483,289 to cover the additional work. This is an increase of \$35,000 for this Change Order.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT:062019-58010 APPROPRIATION: \$176,551.50

Approval to purchase six (6) 2019 Ford Explorers from Santee Automotive, 2601 Paxville Hwy., Manning, SC 29102; SC Contract #4400017417; 2019 Lease Purchase Funds.

BFRC:

Approval to amend the existing contract with Wells Fargo by extending the current contract by one (1) additional month from March 31, 2019 to April 30, 2019.

4. POLICE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FY19 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$120,000 THAT REQUESTS FUNDING FOR A MWC EQUIPMENT TRUCK FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNDERWATER RESPONSE/SWIFTWATER RESCUE OPERATIONS. THE APPLICATION FOR THIS GRANT IS DUE 3/31/19. THIS GRANT DOES NOT REQUIRE A CITY MATCH.

On a motion of Councilmember Shahid, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve to submit the FY19 Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$120,000 that requests funding for a MWC equipment truck for the purpose of underwater response/swiftwater rescue operations.

5. FIRE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR THE FM GLOBAL FIRE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000 FOR THE FIRE MARSHAL DEPARTMENT. FUNDS WILL BE USED TO PURCHASE THE SCENE LIGHTING FOR FIRE INVESTIGATIONS. NO CITY MATCH IS REQUIRED.

On a motion of Councilmember Shahid, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to apply for the FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program in the amount of \$4,000 for the Fire Marshal Department.

6. OFFICE OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS: APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR \$6,000 IN FUNDING FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM FOR TOURISM ADVERTISING FUNDING. FUNDS WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT THE 2019 MOJA ARTS FESTIVAL. A 2:1 CITY MATCH IS REQUIRED. MATCHING FUNDS WILL COME FROM CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS AND PAID ADMISSIONS.

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve to apply for \$6,000 in funding from the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism for tourism advertising funding.

7. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARLESTON NECK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA AS ESTABLISHED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2004-151; TO AMEND THE PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AGREEMENT DATED AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2015 BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA AND HIGHLAND RESOURCES, INC., AS SUCCESSOR TO ASHLEY RIVER INVESTORS, LLC; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Mayor Tecklenburg made a motion to defer. There were TMS numbers they were going to research to determine whether they would be removed. Councilmember Mitchell seconded the motion. Councilmember Moody asked if the County was aware, and Mayor Tecklenburg confirmed.

On a motion of Mayor Tecklenburg, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to defer the following bill:

An ordinance to amend the description of the Charleston Neck Redevelopment Project area as established by Ordinance No. 2004-151; to amend the Public Infrastructure Improvements Agreement dated as of September 1, 2015 between the City of Charleston, South Carolina and Highland Resources, Inc., as successor to Ashley River Investors, LLC; and other matters relating thereto.(DEFERRED)

8. PUBLIC SERVICE: APPROVAL OF A MASTER AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHARLESTON AND AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC.

Councilmember Moody said he was in favor of the agreement because AECOM was a great company. He asked what the guidelines were and if Council would be approving individual contracts. Mayor Tecklenburg said they would be coming back to Council with individual scopes of work as they moved forward. The original intent of the contract was to have an update of the 1984 Drainage Plan. If there was a project the City wanted to proceed with, they could call on AECOM to help design and manage a project. Projects that were high on his list were a couple of specific bottlenecks the City knew about that had been causing problems in the Wambaw area, one being a drainage ditch under Central Park Road, and the other was behind Howle Avenue. There had been discussion with the County and the developer about fixing it.

Matt Fountain, Director of Stormwater Management, said the intent of the Master Agreement was to speed up delivery of projects, and they intended for task orders to come back to Council for approval, along with the fees associated with them. Councilmember Moody said the City needed two 48 inch pipes under Central Park, and he hoped they would come back, and rather than studying it, begin the work.

Councilmember Mitchell asked if all of the money Council was approving would be going to AECOM. Mayor Tecklenburg said it was all for AECOM, but it could involve multiple projects and tasks for them to do over the years. The City would ask them to prepare a scope of work and an estimate on the costs, and they would then bring it back to Council for approval. Councilmember Mitchell said he agreed with Councilmember Moody, that they needed to complete the drainage pipe under Central Park Road.

On a motion of Councilmember Griffin, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve of a Master Agreement for Professional Services between the City of Charleston and AECOM Technical Services, Inc.

9. THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE: (MEETING WAS HELD ON MARCH 26, 2019 AT 4:00 P.M., CITY HALL, 80 BROAD STREET, FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM)

- a. Request approval of the Amendment to Lease for tenant improvements at 2093 Executive Hall Road required for police forensics accreditation in the amount of \$10,760. The property is owned by Traverse Point, LLC. (TMS: 351-01-00-049)

Councilmember Moody, Chair of the Real Estate Committee, reported that there was an amendment to the lease for 2093 Executive Hall Road in the amount of \$10,760. The total cost was about \$18,000. The Landlord was paying around \$7,400. The extension was so that equipment could be placed in the building that would be suitable for the City's forensic lab. It was approved unanimously.

On a motion of Councilmember Moody, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the Committee on Real Estate Report as presented.

There being no further business presented, the Committee on Ways and Means adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

Jennifer Cook
Assistant Clerk of Council