

RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

SOUTH CAROLINA



DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES COMMITTEE

January 12, 2016
5:00 PM
County Council Chambers

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

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Dixon called the meeting to order at approximately 5:03 PM

ELECTION OF CHAIR

This item was deferred until the February Committee meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Session: November 24, 2015 – Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Regular Session: December 15, 2015 – Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to adopt the agenda as published. The vote in favor was unanimous.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between City of Columbia and Richland County for the Hollywood Hills Sewer Project – Mr. McDonald stated this project is being funded through the Community Development Office with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. Once the sewer project is complete it will tie into the City of Columbia's sewer system for operation and maintenance.

Mr. Malinowski stated the information provided does not state how it will affect the County's 208 Plan. This project also opens the door for the City to annex in this area.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to defer this item until the February Committee meeting. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Council Members Present

Julie-Ann Dixon, Chair
District Nine

Bill Malinowski
District One

Seth Rose
District Five

Norman Jackson
District Eleven

Others Present:

Kelvin Washington
Joyce Dickerson
Paul Livingston
Tony McDonald
Warren Harley
Kevin Bronson
Brandon Madden
Michelle Onley
Roxanne Ancheta
Daniel Driggers
Kim Roberts
Monique McDaniels
Quinton Epps
Chris Gossett
Rob Perry
Larry Smith
Rudy Curtis
Tracy Hegler
Beverly Harris
Brad Farrar
Dwight Hanna
Valeria Jackson
Geo Price
Ismail Ozbek

Consider Request from the Columbia Housing Authority to Waive Tipping Fees at the Richland County C&D Landfill for Demolition Debris from the Gonzales Gardens Apartment Complex – Mr. McDonald stated this item is a request from the City of Columbia that relates to a project the City is approving the Columbia Housing Authority is undertaking for the Gonzales Garden Apartment Complex. The intent is to demolish the apartments and replace them with affordable housing and potential commercial facilities.

The City's request is for the County to participate in the project by waiving the tipping fees at the County's landfill for the debris. The estimate for the tipping fees would be \$500,000. Staff recommended participating in the project with in-kind services (i.e. waiver of tipping fees) for up to \$500,000.

Mr. McDonald stated the issue of asbestos, lead paint, etc. will be addressed during the demolition process.

Mr. Malinowski stated this project is different project than the Benedict-Allen revitalization. If the County plans to provide in-kind services then it should void the commitment of \$1 million for the Benedict-Allen project.

Mr. Malinowski requested the Legal Department to review the documentation to insure there is not a TIF associated with the request.

Mr. Malinowski further stated there are a couple different avenues the County could take: (a) \$500,000 in-kind expenses and 1 year of landfill capacity or (b) pay \$250,000 to another landfill. His recommendation would be to give them \$250,000 with the stipulation that the funds will be paid as it comes into the County's landfill.

Mr. McDonald stated the reason staff recommended the waiver of tipping fees is it would not involve any direct funding.

Ms. Dickerson and Mr. Jackson expressed their concern with the project due to the relocating of the effected residents and their ability to be able to move back into the new housing.

Mr. Washington inquired about the typical timeline for DHEC permitting cited in the ROA.

Mr. Curtis stated from the time you begin planning for a replacement landfill until the time you receive a permit could be five years if there are no issues.

Mr. Washington inquired about Solid Waste involvement in accepting the waste to insure the items are not detrimental to Richland County.

Mr. McDonald stated the debris will be certified that it has been abated and the proper paperwork submitted when it is accepted at the landfill.

Mr. Livingston requested staff to review the possibility of what items could be recycled.

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to forward this item to Council without a recommendation.

ITEMS PENDING ANALYSIS

Request for Easement – Hiller Road – This item was held in committee.

Motion to Explore all Options for Providing County Assistance with a Public Housing Project – Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to table this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Comprehensive Youth Program – This item was held in committee.

Motion to Have a Subcommittee Examine the County's EMS Services Department with input from EMS workers – This item was held in committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:27 PM.

The Minutes were transcribed by Michelle M. Onley, Deputy Clerk of Council