



County Council Committee Minutes

Personnel and Finance Committee May 20, 2019

The Personnel and Finance Committee of Spartanburg County Council met on Monday, May 20, 2019, in County Council Chambers of the County Administrative Office Building. In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of this meeting was provided in advance to the local news media and other interested parties. The following were in attendance: Honorable Bob Walker, Chairman; and Honorables Jack Mabry and Whitney Farr, Committee Members; along with Honorables Manning Lynch, Michael Brown, David Britt, and Roger Nutt, Council Members. Also attending were Cole Alverson, County Administrator; Jim Hipp, Deputy County Administrator; John Harris, County Attorney; and Ginny Dupont, County Attorney.

I.

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order.

II.

- A. Mr. Bill Mayrose, Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Chairman, and Mr. Derrick Norris, Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Member, presented information in reference to the **Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Recommendations** for Fiscal Year 2020. (Recommendations are included in backup.) Annual recommendations for project funding are based on anticipated revenues. The budget total of \$380,000 for FY 2019-2020 was determined by current trends and expectations. Mr. Walker asked why all the Organizations with a Committee Rating A received at least 60% of their requested allocation except the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas. The Committee's recommendation for the Shrine Bowl was 45% of their requested allocation. Mr. Walker asked if there was a reason they were reduced to \$22,500. Mr. Norris stated part of the reason was because they did not supply their Economic Impact Study on time which is a requirement. Mr. Walker stated they were waiting on Clemson University. The documentation showed that Clemson had the

information. Mr. Norris stated the other reason is because they are more of a City organization and most of their event is in the City of Spartanburg. Motion made by Mr. Mabry to increase the \$22,500 Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Recommendation for the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas by \$7,500 to \$30,000 and to decrease Spartanburg Convention and Visitors Bureau by \$7,500 from \$300,000 to \$292,500 and to accept the remainder of the Committee Recommendations. Motion seconded by Mr. Britt and carried.

- B. Captain Raymond Gist, Special Services Division, presented information in reference to a request from the **Sheriff's Office** to move a Master Deputy position out of General Fund to their Grant Fund and to move a Deputy grant position to a General Fund position. In order to promote two deputies that are currently in Grant positions, the Sheriff's Office requested moving a Master Deputy position out of General Fund. The first deputy would then be promoted to the Master Deputy position. The second deputy would then be promoted to the vacant Deputy First Class position that was created. They would then take the vacant Grant Deputy position and move it out of the Grant Fund and place it in the General Fund. Although the amount of expense in each Fund will change, overall there will be no cost increase to the Budget. Motion made by Mr. Farr to approve this request. Motion seconded by Mr. Mabry and carried.
- C. Updated financial data and personnel vacancy reports were received.

Meeting adjourned.