

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE MEETING

Kiawah Island Municipal Center

Council Chambers

April 2, 2019; 1:30 pm

Special Call Meeting

Minutes

I. Call to Order: *Chairman Widuch called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.*

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Present at the meeting: Chris Widuch, Chairman
Craig Weaver, Mayor
Maryanne Connelly, Committee Member
Dan Prickett, Committee Member

Absent: Klaus Said, Committee Member

Also Present: Stephanie Monroe Tillerson, Town Administrator
Dorota Szubert, Town Treasurer
Petra Reynolds, Town Clerk

III. New Business:

A. To Consider Recommendation to Town Council for Approval to Proceed with Road Improvement on Beachwalker Drive

Chairman Widuch gave background information by stating that the Beachwalker Drive improvement project has been in the works for the past eighteen months. He indicated that the need for the project was to mitigate the backup of traffic waiting to enter Beachwalker Park during the summer months. The Town has been, over that time, working with the County Park to share the cost of an extra deputy to direct traffic and the County Park has made changes, by adding a queuing system along with a new configuration of the entrance of the Park.

Chairman Widuch stated that Kimley-Horn was engaged by the Town to design a turn lane on Beachwalker Drive into the County Park. As a result of that work, an RFP being released for the improvement project.

Town Administrator Tillerson stated that working with Kimley-Horn and the reviewed the Public Work Committee; two separate RFPs were released. One for CE&I (Construction Engineering and Inspection) and the other for the project Construction. The Town received two proposals for CE&I and one for Construction. She reviewed the scope of work for the project and stated that the turn lane work ties into the working currently being done at the entrance to the County Park.

Town Administrator Tillerson stated that Kimley-Horn prepared an estimated cost for completion of the project which came in at approximately \$237,000.00 with the true cost to

be established when the RFP proposal was received. She first reviewed the proposals received for CE&I noting the drastic cost differential. She stated that after evaluating the proposals it was determined that the Dennis Corporation could provide the necessary services for the project.

- Civil Engineering Consulting Services, Inc. \$59,830.00
- Dennis Corporation \$14,100.00

Town Administrator Tillerson stated the only proposal submitted for the Construction RFP was from Truluck Construction in the amount of approximately \$300,000.00. She said there are many factors that may have influenced the higher cost but indicated that the Committee has the option to negotiate the pricing with Truluck, to rebid the project with the knowledge that the project could not be completed by Memorial Day, or to not do the project giving consideration to the impact on the work being done by the County Park entrance.

Committee Members discussed the project, the proposed total cost of approximately \$314,000.00, comparison to the Kimley-Horn project cost, the option of negotiation of the construction cost in the proposal submitted by Truluck Construction assuring them of their selection if an agreeable price is reached, along with if the completion of the project is worth the cost and the restricted timeline.

Mayor Weaver made a motion to authorize the Town Administrator and the Chair of the Ways and Means Committee to enter into further negotiations with the single and otherwise acceptable bidder to renegotiate the construction cost and re-present to the Ways and Means Committee within seven days. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Connelly.

Chairman Widuch clarified that the CE&I discussion is not included in the previous motion.

Following the discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

IV. Adjournment:

Committee Member Prickett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:25 pm. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Connelly and carried unanimously.

Submitted by,



Petra S. Reynolds, Town Clerk

Approved by,



Chris Widuch

4-24-19

Date