



# County Council Committee Minutes

## Personnel and Finance Committee June 15, 2020

The Personnel and Finance Committee of Spartanburg County Council met on Monday, June 15, 2020, 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; 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; Earl Alexander, Deputy County Administrator; John Harris, County Attorney; and Ginny Dupont, County Attorney.

### I.

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order.

### II.

- A. Mr. Derrick Norris, Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Chairman, was not in attendance. Mr. Cole Alverson, County Administrator, stated that each Council Member received the recommendations from the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee as part of their packet. They accepted grant applications pursuant to Council's Rules up through March 1, 2020. We have an estimated \$300,000 available for Accommodations Tax for next year. They received, via zoom calls, presentations from each one of the applicants. The applicants took about ten minutes or so to explain what they were going to do, and in particular, how it was going to increase tourism in the County. The group deliberated after the presentations and came up with the recommendations being presented to Council. Mr. Walker stated that he thought the whole process looked fair as far as how the funds were allocated. Mr. Alverson stated that the vast majority of the organizations they recommended are ones that we typically fund year after year. Because the total funding

decreased, everyone was allocated less this year. Motion made by Mr. Mabry to approve the **Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2021**. Motion seconded by Mr. Farr and carried.

- B. Mr. Cole Alverson, County Administrator, presented information in reference to a Resolution to adopt various **County Fee Schedules** so as to establish the amount of certain fees in Spartanburg County. Each year in June, Staff presents a Fee Resolution to establish County set fees for the following fiscal year. There are just a very few minor modifications to the Fee Schedule, predominately around the Parks arena where they are making administrative corrections. In some cases, they are lowering fees, and in some cases, they are adjusting them up slightly. This Resolution sets fees from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Motion made by Mr. Farr to adopt Resolution. Motion seconded by Mr. Mabry and carried.
- C. Updated financial data and personnel vacancy reports were received.

Meeting adjourned.