COMMITTEE of the WHOLE COMMITTEE JUNE 22, 2010

The Committee of the Whole met on Tuesday, June 22, 2010 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Mr. Kinard, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

James E. Kinard, Jr., Chairman William B. Banning Sr., V Chairman

William C. Derrick George H. Davis
Debra B. Summers Bobby C. Keisler
Johnny W. Jeffcoat John W. Carrigg, Jr.

Absent:

*M. Todd Cullum

*Mr. Cullum was out of town.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

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

Midlands Housing Alliance Request - Mr. Larry Arney, Executive Director for the Midlands Housing Alliance, presented an update on their request for funds. He reported the Alliance has received approval of funding for operating expenses for the next fiscal year from Richland County for \$250,000 and the City of West Columbia for \$50,000. The City of Columbia is considering a contribution of \$250,000 that is up second reading by their Council and the City of Cayce is still pending. Mr. Arney confirmed the Alliance is requesting \$125,000 from Lexington County.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Ms. Summers to recommend to full Council to approve the request from the Midlands Housing Alliance for \$125,000 to come from the County's contingency funds.

Ms. Hubbard included that the County wanted to add, as part of its contribution, a member on the Alliance board, quarterly statistics regarding the participants in the program, and that the \$125,000 would be a one time contribution from the County's FY2010/11 contingency funds. Ms. Hubbard said the County's contribution would be contingent upon the Midlands Housing Alliance receiving contributions from Richland County, City of West Columbia, City of Columbia, and City of Cayce.

The Committee agreed the motion to include the contingency that approval of funds from Lexington County subject to contributions received from Richland County, City of Columbia, and City of West Columbia, but not the City of Cayce.

In Favor: Mr. Kinard Mr. Jeffcoat

Ms. Summers Mr. Derrick Mr. Davis Mr. Carrigg

Mr. Banning

Opposed: Mr. Keisler

Approval of Minutes - May 25, 2010 Budget Worksession - A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Derrick to approve the May 25, 2010 Budget Worksession minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Possible Executive Session if Time Permits - Executive Session/Legal Briefing - A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Keisler to go into Executive Session to discuss one personnel, five contractual, and one legal matter.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Kinard reconvened the meeting in open session with no motions to be considered.

Old Business/New Business - Local Contractors Procurement, Fire Service Volunteer Incentives - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee James E. Kinard, Jr.

Assistant to the Clerk Chairman

Diana W. Burnett

Clerk