

MINUTES OF CAPITAL PROJECTS SALES TAX COMMISSION MEETING

9:30 AM, May 21, 2024

Virtual Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:33 pm.

In attendance:

Commission members via TEAMS:

Mark Hawn - Chair Harris Chewning

Robert Crenshaw Reed Tiller

Ashley Nelson Gary Cooper

Commission members not in attendance: NA

Also present:

Jim Hipp – Facilitator for the Commission

Randy Akers – Georgetown County staff

Members of the Press present: NA

The Chair then proceeded with the Agenda and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2024 meeting.

MOTION was made by Chewning and seconded by Crenshaw to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2024, meeting.

Motion passed 6-0.

The Commission began the review of the updated compiled scoring of all the projects by viewing the current spreadsheet.

After that discussion, the Commission reviewed the spreadsheet to determine which projects- as currently scored- would fall into the Primary and Contingent project lists. The project balance throughout the County was emphasized and reviewed. The priority order of the list was altered slightly to put some of the lower dollar projects at the top of the list to enable some projects to get off the ground quickly.

The discussion then turned to the process of meeting in work session with County Council and the opportunity to submit priority findings and receive feedback from Council members.

Commission members discussed potential issuance of debt by the County in order to move priority projects along while the sales tax proceeds are being collected and distributed. A draft of the potential ballot language will be circulated for Commission members to review and comment.

The Commission discussed the value and importance of the upcoming May 28 work session with the County Council, and all agreed that in person attendance would be productive. A draft version of the presentation PowerPoint was shared and discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:15 am via motion by Cooper, second by Crenshaw.