Augusta GEFORGIA

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Commission Chamber Tuesday, August 27, 2024 1:20 PM

FINANCE

PRESENT
Mayor Garnett Johnson
Commissioner Jordan Johnson
Commissioner Francine Scott
Commissioner Stacy Pulliam

ABSENT

Commissioner Wayne Guilfoyle

1. Consider a request from Ms. Nancy Glaser, Executive Director of the Augusta Museum of History, regarding the reinstatement of the 2024 1% cut for the budgets of the Augusta Museum of History and the Ezekiel Harris House.

Motion to approve the request for the Augusta Museum of History and the Ezekiel Harris House as well as the reinstatement of the 1% cut for the Lucy Laney Museum.

Motion made by Scott, Seconded by Pulliam.

Voting Yea: Johnson, Scott, Pulliam

Motion carries 3-0.

2. Tasking the Administrator, the Finance Director, the Procurement Director, a representative from the Law Department if necessary and a representative from the Mayor's Office to meet and come back with a resolution of the matter to the next Finance Committee relative to matters of 1) requiring the Mayor to use the credit card provided/issued by Augusta Richmond County Government with a monthly Credit line of \$15,000.00 and not to exceed the Mayor's yearly budget; 2) Mayor's Office expense reimbursement process. (Approved/deferred from Finance Committee August 13, 2024)

Motion to approve directing the Administrator and the Procurement Department to work with the Law Department to bring back a recommended policy after a review of the current credit card policy and to reimburse the submitted expenses of the Mayor that were confirmed by his Chief of Staff as business expenses and that the Mayor receive a credit card for his use in the meantime under the current policy while a determination is made concerning the establishment of the limits on the credit card.

Motion made by Pulliam, Seconded by Scott.

Voting Yea: Johnson, Scott, Pulliam

Motion carries 3-0.

3. Motion to approve the minutes of the Finance Committee held on August 13, 2024.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Pulliam, Seconded by Scott.

It was the consensus of the committee that this item be approved without objection.

4. Motion to approve the request to reinstate the 1% budget reduction in Superior Court's 2024 budget.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Pulliam, Seconded by Scott.

It was the consensus of the committee that this item be approved without objection.

ADDENDUM ITEM

1. Motion to approve Housing and Community Development Department's (HCD's) request to transfer budget funds of \$121,000 from Salary/Benefits object 51 codes to object code 5239112 for temporary workforce expenditures. (Requested by the Administrator)

It was the consensus of the committee that this item be added to the agenda without objection.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Pulliam, Seconded by Scott.

It was the consensus of the committee that this item be approved without objection.