

CITY OF WESTMINSTER CALLED MEETING
January 23, 2024 @ 4:30 PM
Westminster Fire Department
216 Emergency Lane, Westminster

Call to Order

Certification of Quorum

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments:

The floor is now open for public comments. Citizens of Westminster or others who have registered for time with the Clerk can now address Council for any matters on tonight's agenda or other matters you wish to bring before the Council. Speakers are allowed up to 3 minutes and possibly longer if that Speaker is recognized in advance as representing a larger group with similar concerns. To preserve the decorum of this public meeting, and to allow adequate time for discussion among the elected membership of City Council, this will be the only time we will receive unsolicited comments tonight from the public.

Comments from the Mayor and Council

Routine Business

None.

Minutes from January 9, 2024 to considered at the Regular City Council Meeting on February 13, 2024.

Old Business

None.

New Business

- 1) Consideration of RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-2024-01; A RESOLUTION COMMITTING THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER TO PROVIDE A LOCAL MATCH FOR THE APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION (ARC) FUNDS MANAGED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANTS ADMINISTRATION**

At the January 9 City Council Meeting, Council approved a Resolution committing matching funds for an Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Grant to improve portions of the downtown streetscape along Main Street between Retreat and Lucky Streets and along Grey Street, including the railroad underpass and surrounding areas. That resolution amount did not include fees from Appalachian Council of Governments (ACOG) to manage the grant or the cost of the environmental review. The updated resolution reflects those changes and raises the local cash matching commitment to \$355,523.00 from \$298,332.00. The grant funding request is now \$711,046.00 for a new total project cost of \$1,066,569.00.

Staff recommends approval.

Executive Session

- 2) Executive Session for the purpose of section 30-4-70 (a) (1) a discussion of a personnel matter(s); employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body.
 1. City Administrator employment contract

(Upon return to regular session the City Council may or may not take action on items discussed in Executive Session)

Adjourn



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WESTMINSTER TO PROVIDE A LOCAL MATCH FOR THE
APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION (ARC) FUNDS
MANAGED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE GRANTS ADMINISTRATION**

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Westminster, here assembled on this 23rd day of January 2024, that the Westminster City Council hereby commits to provide a local cash match of \$355,523.00, which equals the 50-percent local match required to support the City of Westminster's application for a \$711,046.00 Appalachian Regional Commission Grant.

Brian Ramey Mayor
City of Westminster, SC

January 23, 2024