

MINUTES
Administrative Committee-Finance Committee
April 9, 2019

- I. Administrative-Finance Committee Co-chair John Cartier convened the Administrative-Finance Committee meeting at 1:31 p.m. on 4/9/19 in the 8th Floor Council Conference Room.
- II. Council members present were: Mr. Carter, Mr. Cartier, Ms. Diller, Ms. Durham, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Smiley, Mr. Hollins, Mr. Bell and Mr. Tackett
- III. Mr. Smiley made a motion to accept the minutes from the 3/26/19 Finance Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter and the minutes were unanimously approved. Mr. Smiley noted that the 3/26/19 Special Finance Committee Meeting never established a quorum and only notes were taken.
- IV. Resolutions:

R19-065: TO SET NEW CASTLE COUNTY'S FISCAL YEAR 2020 CONTRIBUTION RATE FOR THE COUNTY'S PENSION PLANS. Introduced by: Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

- Mr. Cartier read the title and explained the resolution.
- Mr. Cartier asked a question regarding the police pension plan. David Boomer shine, the County's Actuary, responded.
- The floor was opened to the public for comment and there was none.

V. Ordinances:

19-026: TO PROVIDE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF TRADITIONAIRE STREET LIGHTS IN THE CHESTNUT HILL PRESERVE SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN WHITE CLAY CREEK AND PENCADER HUNDRED AND FOR A LIGHT TAX BASED ON THE COST OF STREET LIGHTS. Introduced by: Ms. Diller

- Mr. Cartier read the title.
- Ms. Diller stated as per title.
- The floor was opened to the public for comment and there was none.

19-027: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY COUNCIL FY2019 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET TO THE 2019 NEW CASTLE COUNTY SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES. Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street, Mr. Smiley

- Mr. Cartier read the title.
- Mr. Hollins explained the ordinance.
- The floor was opened to the public for comment and there was none.

19-028: AMEND THE FY2019 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FUNDING FROM THE GRANTS AND FIXED CHARGES BUDGET LINE ITEM OF COUNTY COUNCIL TO THE 2019 NEW CASTLE COUNTY SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM GRANT. Introduced by: Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street, Mr. Smiley

- Mr. Cartier read the title.
- Mr. Hollins explained the ordinance.
- The floor was opened to the public for comment and there was none

19-023: (STATUS: TABLED) TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2 ("ADMINISTRATION"), ARTICLE 2 ("COUNTY COUNCIL"), TO RAISE THE THRESHOLD FOR COUNTY COUNCIL CONTRACT APPROVAL TO \$50,000. Introduced by: Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

- Mr. Cartier read the title and explained the ordinance. He noted that he was lifting this ordinance from the table at this evening's Council Meeting.
- Discussion took place amongst Council Members.
- The floor was opened to the public for comment and there was none.

19-024: (STATUS: TABLED) TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 14 (“FINANCE AND TAXATION”), ARTICLE 5 (“ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES AND PENALTY”), SECTION 14.05.003. (“AUTHORITY”) RELATING TO AUTHORITY. Introduced by: Mr. Smiley

- Mr. Cartier read the title
- Mr. Smiley announced that this ordinance would remain tabled this evening.

VI. Other:

- **Purchase and Disposal of Government Assets**
 - Michael Hojnicky, Chief of Technology and Administrative Services, provided handouts and made a presentation. He responded to Council Members’ questions.
- **County Council Travel Requests**
 - Robert Wasserbach – County Auditor – Maryland GFOA Conference
 - Mr. Bell moved to approved Mr. Wasserbach’s travel request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smiley and approved.
 - Timothy Sheldon – Annual NACo Conference in Las Vegas, NV
 - Mr. Smiley moved to approve Mr. Sheldon’s travel request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bell and approved.

• **New Castle County Council Grant Requests/Community Events:**

Grant Applicant	Sponsor	Amount Approved	Council Member Motion/Second	Vote
Western Family YMCA	Sheldon	\$2500	Sheldon/Kilpatrick	Yes –8, No – 0 Not Voting – 1 (Smiley)
Hockessin 4 th of July Fund	Kilpatrick	\$2500	Kilpatrick/Sheldon	Yes – 8, No – 0 Not Voting – 1 (Smiley)
Newark Center for Creative Learning	Diller	\$1000	Diller/Bell	Yes –8, No – 0 Not Voting – 1 (Smiley)
Chinese American Community Center, Inc.	Kilpatrick	\$2000	Kilpatrick/ Sheldon	Yes –8, No – 0 Not Voting – 1 (Smiley)
Western District Advisory Council	Sheldon	\$2500*	Sheldon/Kilpatrick	Yes –10, No – 0

*The money for the Western District Advisory Council will be deducted from Council’s Community Events line in Council’s Budget.

- **Expense & Revenue Round Table** – None
- **Comments by the Executive Office**
 - Brian Boyle, Executive Office, announced that Carol Dulin, County Attorney, was retiring and that the County Executive has hired Bill Davis to replace her. Mr. Davis will begin in June.
 - Mike Hojnicky, Chief of Technology and Administrative Services, discussed the County’s transition to the Cloud for emails.
- **Other** –
 - Jim Boyle, Policy Director, announced that he would be doing a press release on behalf of Council regarding the funding for the Summer Youth Program and asked if there were any objections.

VIII. Public Comment – None

IX. Mr. Smiley made a motion to adjourn, it was seconded by Ms. Diller and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.

A recording of the meeting is available upon request. Respectfully submitted by Tara Finnigan, Legislative Aide to Administrative-Finance Committee Co-Chair George Smiley.