TOURISM EXPENDITURE REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 19, 2024 in person at SCDOR, Blue Ridge Conference Room, Columbia, SC or via conference call and Teams link

ATTENDANCE: Committee Members in Attendance: Ed Riggs, Olivia Young, Douglas McFarland, Daniel Blumenstock, Mark Sexton, Jason Rapp, Fox Simons

Others: Damita Holcomb, TERC Staff and Justin Hancock, SCPRT

CALL TO ORDER /ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS/UPDATES:

- 1. Call to Order: Chairman Ed Riggs called the meeting to order.
- 2. Minutes: Doug McFarland made a motion to approve the minutes from the TERC meeting on November 13, 2023. Daniel Blumenstock seconded and minutes were approved.
- 4. Housekeeping updates: Chairman Riggs reminded TERC members of review protocol. Unless a reporting form needed to be reviewed by the entire committee or committee input was needed, then TERC team members may let the full committee know that the report was reviewed with no further questions.

REPORTS REVIEWED BY TERC are subject to further discussion and questioning to validate spending allocations. Should any of the following reports require additional information, TERC will review those reports in subsequent meetings. Additional information requested includes questions about 30 percent and 65 percent funding, mathematical errors, additional information to determine validity of funding and the local governments' accommodations tax committee list and composition. After TERC questions reports, general policy is to discuss the report again at the next committee meeting. If no further action is needed during the initial review, TERC does not communicate with the local government and the report is filed and no action is needed. Additionally, any missing reports will be reviewed at a subsequent meeting date, or if report is still not filed after TERC staff and committee members make multiple attempts at assisting the local government in filing, TERC may vote to direct the State Treasurers Office to withhold funds or impose fees pursuant to the state law regarding state accommodations tax regulations.

Reviewed by Olivia Young, Mark Taylor and Daniel Prentice: City of Aiken, Aiken County, Anderson County, City of Anderson, Beaufort County, City of Beaufort, Beaufort County, City of Bluffton, City of Clemson, City of Greenville, Greenville County, City of Greenwood, Greenwood County, City of Greer, Hardeeville, Hilton Head, Jasper County, Laurens County, Lancaster, Lancaster County, North Augusta, Oconee County, Pickens County, Ridgeland, Seneca, Simpsonville MISSING: Easley

Reviewed by: Mark Nix and Jason Rapp: Town of Blythewood, Cayce, Cherokee County, Columbia, Duncan, Fort Mill, Gaffney, Irmo, Kershaw County, Town of Lexington, Newberry, Newberry County, Richland County, Rock Hill, Spartanburg, West Columbia, York County MISSING: Camden, Lexington County, Traveler's Rest, Springdale, York, Spartanburg County, Winnsboro

Reviewed By: Dan Blumenstock and Tony Tam (with Tony Tam recusing himself from review of Pawleys Island and Georgetown's reports): Cheraw, Chester County, Chesterfield County, Conway, Darlington County, City of Dillon, Dillon County, City of Florence, Florence County, City of Georgetown, Hartsville, Horry County, Mauldin, McCormick, Myrtle Beach, North Myrtle Beach, Pawleys Island, Port Royal, Sumter County/City of Sumter, Surfside Beach MISSING: Chester, Darlington, Chesterfield, Georgetown County, Lake City, Richburg

Reviewed by: Doug McFarland, Ed Riggs, Fox Simons: Berkeley County, City of Charleston, Charleston County, Colleton County, Dorchester County, Edisto Beach, Folly Beach, Goose Creek, James Island, Isle of Palms, Kiawah Island, Moncks Corner, Mount Pleasant, North Charleston, Orangeburg County, City of Orangeburg, Santee, Seabrook, Sullivans Island, Summerville, Walterboro MISSING: Hanahan, St. George (St. George has been contacted several times and owes a reporting form for FY 22 and 23) Other reporting forms forthcoming: Fairfield, Winnsboro, McCormick County

There being no other business, Douglas McFarland made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Olivia Young .

There being no opposition, the motion was passed unanimously and TERC motioned to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted

Damita S. Holcomb TERC Support Manager