

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes - Amended

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

9:30 AM

**Council Chamber,
1st Floor, City Hall**

Finance Committee

*Ron Salem, Pharm. D., Chair
Terrance Freeman, Vice Chair*

*Raul Arias
Rory Diamond
Nick Howland
Will Lahnen
Ju'Coby Pittman*

*Legislative Assistant: Steven Libby
Council Auditor's Office: Kim Taylor, Council Auditor
Council Auditor's Office: Phillip Peterson, Asst. Council Auditor
Council Research: Colleen Hampsey, Chief
Office of General Counsel: Mary Staffopoulos, Deputy
Administration: Brittany Norris*

Meeting Convened: 9:42 AM**Meeting Adjourned: 11:22 AM****Attendance:****CP White - Visiting****CVP Carrico - Visiting****CM Carlucci - Visiting****CM J. Carlucci - 2025-102 & 2025-186**

Present: 7 - Chair Ron Salem, Vice Chair Terrance Freeman, Council Member Nick Howland, Council Member Raul Arias, Council Member Will Lahnen, Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman and Council Member Rory Diamond

• Discussion on appraisals for 801 W. Bay St. (Interline Brands property)

Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the handout with a charted comparison of the appraisals for downtown properties under consideration.

Council Member Salem expressed interest in proceeding with the purchase based upon the third appraisal.

Bryan Moll, Gateway, indicated that the third appraisal needs to be assessed to reach a mutually agreed upon number.

Council Member Lahnen asked about the total overall City investment in the UF graduate school campus downtown.

Council Member J. Carlucci asked how long it may take to assess the third appraisal, and he noted that with a sale price of \$6.75 million Gateway will have a 68 percent return on investment in a 6 month period.

Cyndy Trimmer said that the purchase of the land and the proposed land swap should each be considered.

Council Member Carlucci said that he is uncomfortable with sidelining DIA from this transaction.

Item/File No.**Title History**

1. [2024-0627](#) ORD-MC Concerning the Mayor's Transfer Authority; Amend Secs 106.304 (Mayor's Transfer Power) & 106.308 (Capital Improvement Transfers, Appropriation Amendments & Change Orders), Subpt A (General Provisions), Pt 3 (Appropriations), Ch 106 (Budget & Accounting Code), Ord Code, to Limit the Mayor's Transfer Authority to \$100,000 Among the Capital Improvement Projs Listed in the CIP Appvd by the Council & to \$100,000 During Any FY into or Out of Any Agency, Nondept or Dept Existing Line Item; Prov for Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Diamond)
8/13/24 CO Introduced: R, F
8/19/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/20/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/27/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/27/24

DEFER

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2. [2024-0966](#) ORD Apv an Agrmt for Settlement of Fines Imposed by the Municipal Code Enforcement Brd/Special Magistrate btwn the City & Live Oak Ancient City Living, LLC, a Delaware LLC, & Directing the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver the Agrmt on Behalf of the City or Auth the Agrmt to Become Effective without the Mayor's Signature; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Agrmt & Auth Tech Changes as Herein Defined; Prov for Oversight of the Agrmt by the Municipal Code Compliance Div of the Neighborhoods Dept; Req Emergency Passage Upon Intro (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico)
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

DEFER

3. [2024-0993](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, an Amdt 1 to Economic Dev Agrmt btwn the City & Springfield MF Partners, LLC to Auth Payment of the 2nd & Final Tranche of the Completion Grant at the Earlier of 1 Yr from Substantial Completion of the Proj or at 60% Tenant Occupancy, & to Eliminate the Clawback of the Completion Grant in the Event of the Sale of the Proj Parcel (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
12/10/24 CO Introduced: F
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/14/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

DEFER

4. [2025-0011](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 108.102 (Scope of Central Services; Limitations), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 108 (Central Services), Ord Code to Clarify the Utilization of Central Svcs of the Consolidated Govt as Required Under Sec 24.04 of the Charter; Prov for Severability; Prov for Codification Instructions (Reingold) (Req of Mayor)
1/14/25 CO Introduced: R, F
1/21/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/23/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/28/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/28/25

DEFER

5. [2025-0102](#) ORD-MC Concerning Landscape & Tree Protection Regulations; Amend Sec 656.1206 (Permit Procedure & Criteria for Tree Removal, Relocation & Replacement of Protected Trees) & 656.1208 (Enforcement of this Subpart B; Violations & Penalties; Stopping Work, Correction of Violation, Settlement & Reduction of Fines Pursuant to Policy Criteria; Procedures), Subpt B (Tree Protection), Pt 12 (Landscape & Tree Protection Regulations), Ch 656 (Zoning Code), Ord Code, to Address Calculation of Tree Mitigation Contributions to the Tree Protection & Related Expenses Trust Fund & Minimum Caliper-Inch Requirements for Replacement Trees in Keeping with Provisions of Article 25 of the City Charter, & to Prov for an Automatic Increase in Contribution Calculations when the Combined Total of Unallocated Funds within the Tree Protection & Related Expenses Trust Funds is Below \$5,000,000, or After 9/30/30, whichever Occurs Sooner; Prov for Codification Instructions (MacGillis) (Introduced by CM J. Carlucci) (PD Deny) (PC Apv) (Co-Sponsor CM Carlucci)
2/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, LUZ
2/18/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
2/18/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
2/19/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
2/19/25 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
2/25/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/11/25 CO PH Only
3/31/25 NCSPHS Substitute/Approve 7-0
3/31/25 R Substitute/Approve 7-0
4/1/25 F Substitute/Approve 8-0
4/1/25 LUZ PH Substitute/Approve 7-0
LUZ PH - 3/18/25, 4/1/25
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/11/25

SUBSTITUTE/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman, Diamond and White

Mr. Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the substitute.

Council Member Diamond offered an amendment to remove the portion of the substitute that allows for the Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund to be used for additional salaries.

Council Member J. Carlucci explained the need for more arborists and related staff.

Council Member Salem agreed. Council Member Arias asked about the impact on the General Fund going forward. Council Member said another option is to collect less for the tree fund.

Council Member Pittman asked about replacing old/deteriorated trees. Mr. Peterson explained the already available funds for tree replacement.

Council Member Howland suggested re-assigning Public Works staff to fill any needed positions.

Diamond Amendment: Failed 2-5 (Diamond and Freeman in the affirmative)

NCSPHS Substitute Approved 6-1 (Diamond in opposition)

NCSPHS SUBSTITUTE**As substituted:**

- 1. Amends Sec. 111.760 (Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund) to:**
 - a. Allow Ordinance Code funds to be used for the salary and benefits of City landscape architects, arborists, and urban foresters who work exclusively on funded projects (Ordinance or Charter funding), with such positions being reviewed for necessity by the Tree Commission prior to forwarding a recommendation memo to the Mayor and City Council**
 - b. Allow Ordinance Code funds to be used for equipment necessary for the above listed positions to perform assigned duties related to tree planting projects and activities that utilize Ordinance or Charter funding, with equipment expenditures over \$75,000 being reviewed for necessity by the Tree Commission prior to forwarding a recommendation memo to the Mayor and City Council**
- 2. Amends Sec. 656.1206 (Permit procedure and criteria for tree removal, relocation and replacement of protected trees) to:**
 - a. Reduce the minimum size requirement for trees used to replace removed exceptional specimen trees or protected live oaks from 4 inch caliper to 2 inch caliper**
 - b. Allow for the grouping of smaller caliper-inch trees upon certification from the City Arborist or Urban Forester satisfactory to the Chief that each tree within the less-than ten foot spacing has a reasonably good chance of survival**
 - c. Provide for a waiver of Ordinance Code tree mitigation fees as an incentive for the development or redevelopment of affordable housing and/or workforce housing**
- 3. Amends Sec. 656.1208 (Enforcement of this Subpart B; violations and penalties; stopping work, correction of violation, settlement and reduction of fines pursuant to Policy criteria; procedures) to strike the requirement that replacement trees for illegally removed trees must be at least 4 caliper inches**
- 4. Correct scrivener's errors**

6. [2025-0138](#) ORD-MC re Unauthorized Aliens in Duval County; Requiring a Report by the Mayor, or Her Desig, Pertaining to: (1) Federal Grants, (2) Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Practices & Policies, & (3) Housing of Unauthorized Aliens; Amend Sec 77.111 (Contracts; Contract Administration; Carryover), Ch 77 (Kids Hope Alliance), Ord Code, to Require a Provision Prohibiting the Use of City Funds for the Provision of Svcs to Unauthorized Aliens to Be Included in All Provider, Small Provider, Inter-Agency & Related Contracts; Amend Sec 118.201 (Release of Appropriations), Pt 2 (Disbursement of City Grants), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Prov that Any Appropriations Made Pursuant to Ch 118 Shall Be Released & Disbursed with a Condition that Any Recipient Shall Be Prohibited from Using Such Funds for the Provision of Svcs to Unauthorized Aliens; Amend Sec 118.609 (Restrictions for Use of Cultural Service Grants), Subpt A (Cultural Service Grant Program), Pt 6 (Cultural Service Grants & Art in Public Places), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Prohibit Use of Cultural Svc Grant Funds for the Provision of Svcs to Unauthorized Aliens; Prov for Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Diamond)
2/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
3/3/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/4/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/11/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/11/25

DEFER

7. [2025-0175](#) ORD Adopt a Modification to the City's 2045 Comp Plan for the Purpose of Updating the 5-Yr Capital Improvements Schedule of Projs Within the Capital Improvements Element (Reingold) (Req of Mayor)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: F, LUZ
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
LUZ PH - 4/15/25
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

DEFER

8. [2025-0181](#) ORD Approp \$24,200.00 from the Contribution from Independent Agencies Acct to the Other Professional Svcs Acct within the Art in Public Places Trust Fund to Prov Funding for the Maintenance of Artwork Located in the Lift Ev'ry Voice & Sing Park; Prov for Oversight by the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, Inc (B.T. 25-056) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray & Peluso)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
4/1/25 F Amend/Approve 8-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman, Diamond and White

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

1. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct accounts and set aside funding for its specified use
2. Clarify appropriation language for revenue source
3. Strike references to Chapter 118 and clarify that funds shall be disbursed at the request of the Cultural Council

- Funds will be used for future maintenance of the “Calling it Done” art installation
- Contribution provided by Placemaking and Equity Fund, Inc. pursuant to contract with Cultural Council

9. [2025-0182](#) ORD Etab the FY 25-26 Allocation of Funding Percentages for the Opioid Settlement Proceeds Funded Categories, & Etab the FY 25-26 Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grant Appl Process, in Accordance with Ch 84 (Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants), Ord Code (Smith) (Req of the Opioid & Substance Use Disorder Grants Committee)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
4/1/25 F Approve 7-0-1 (Pittman)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Diamond and White

Abstain: 1 - Pittman

Scrivener's

Pg. 3, line 7: strike "Section 3" and insert "Section 4"

• Establishes the following allocation of funding percentages for the FY 25/26 Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants:

- Prevention - 34%
- Treatment - 33%
- Recovery Support - 33%

• Selects the grant application process outlined in Ch. 84 as the method for awarding grants in FY 25/26

10. [2025-0183](#) ORD Apv & Auth the CEO of DIA, or Her Desig, to Execute a Redev Agrmt btwn DIA & Juliette Balcony, LLC, to Support the Renovation & Rehab by Developer of a Historic Bldg Located at 225 N Laura St; Auth 3 Downtown Preservation & Revitalization Prog (DPRP) Loans, in an Aggregate Amt Not to Exceed \$2,560,000.00, to the Developer in Connection with the Proj, to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Desig DIA as Contract Monitor for the Agrmt; Prov for Oversight of the Proj by DIA; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Above Agrmt & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs; Timeline for Execution of Agrmt by the Developer (Sawyer) (Req of the DIA)
- 3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Approve 4-2 (Boylan, Salem)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

DEFER

11. [2025-0185](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Amdt to the Amended & Restated Agrmt btwn the City & Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc., to Adjust the Eligibility for Coverage Process, Have Financial Evaluations Conducted on an Annual Basis & to Revise the Schedule D to the Agrmt; Prov for Continued Oversight by the Finance Dept (Reingold) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Peluso)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
4/1/25 F Amend/Approve 8-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman, Diamond and White

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT**1. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (Amendment to Agreement) to:**

- a. Clarify patient 90-day grace period for the Medicaid application process will be limited to once in a 12-month period**
- b. Clarify patient under 90-day grace period who fails to provide the Medicaid denial letter or is denied Medicaid because of noncompliance with the Medicaid application process, services provided will be charged to Shands' Financial Assistance Policy (i.e. not the City charity account)**

12. [2025-0186](#) ORD Approp \$10,882 from the Special Council Contingency to the Gen Capital Projs Council Dist 5 - Other Construction Costs Acct to Prov Add'l Funds for Traffic Calming &/or Traffic Safety Improvements in Council Dist 5 in Accordance with the Provisions Outlined in Sec 11.13 of Ord 2023-504-E (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM J. Carlucci)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
4/1/25 F Approve 8-0
4/1/25 TEU Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman, Diamond and White

13. [2025-0187](#) ORD Approp \$108,886 from the Renew Arlington CRA Trust Fund - Property Taxes Acct to the CRAOED Annual Administrative Expenses Activity to Prov \$63,595 to Pay the Salary & Related Costs to Hire 1 PT Professional Landscape Designer & to Allocate \$45,291 to the Unallocated Plan Auth Expenditures Acct for Future Allocation by the Renew Arlington Community CRA Brd; Apv PT Hrs (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Amaro)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
4/1/25 F Approve 8-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman, Diamond and White

- **Part-time position will support the Mandatory Compliance Grant Program**
- **Appropriations will not carry over to FY 24/25**

14. [2025-0188](#) ORD-MC Relating to JEA & Article 21 (JEA), Charter of the City of Jacksonville; Amend Sec 21.07 (Fiscal & Budgetary Functions) of Article 21 (JEA), Charter of the City of Jacksonville; Prov for Codification Instructions; Apv an Amended & Restated Interagency Agrmt; Prov for Continued Oversight by the Finance Dept (Reingold) (Introduced by CM Boylan)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: R, F, TEU
3/17/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer/Addnt'l 4/22/25
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25
Public Hearing Pursuant to Sec 21.13, City Charter - 4/22/25

DEFER

15. [2025-0190](#) ORD Approp \$10,000,000 from Gen Fund Operating Reserves to the UF Health Capital Improvements - Other Construction Costs Acct to Prov Funding for the Contribution to Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc. to Support the Construction of the UF Health Jacksonville Leon L. Haley, Jr., MD, Emergency Department & Trauma Center (the “Haley Center”), as Authd by Ord 2023-147-E; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the UF Health Capital Improvements Proj for the Haley Center; Prov for Oversight by the Public Works Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Freeman)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
3/31/25 R Amend/Approve 6-0
4/1/25 F Amend/Approve 8-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman, Diamond and White

Mr. Peterson explained the NCSPHS amendment. Approved unanimously.

Council Member Diamond shared his perspective on returning JEA funds to the rate payers.

Council Member Salem asked why this appropriation was not included in the budget process instead.

Angela Moyer, Budget Office, was in attendance to answer questions related to this bill.

Council Member Freeman requested future reporting on the status of this project.

NCSPHS AMENDMENT

1. Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (CIP Sheet) to correct prior year funding

- \$140,000,000 was previously appropriated to UF Health for capital improvements over the six-year period ending 9/30/24
- \$38,000,000 was appropriated in the FY 24/25 CIP for UF Health capital improvements with an additional \$96,000,000 planned over the following four years, for a total of \$134,000,000 over a five-year period
- The \$10,000,000 being appropriated through this bill is in addition to the \$134,000,000 and will be used for capital improvements for the Leon L. Haley, Jr. MD Emergency Department and Trauma Center and will be provided on a reimbursement basis after \$80,000
- It is the intent that the funds appropriated through this bill will be replenished through an appropriation of funds in fiscal year 25/26 from the annual JEA contribution

16. [2025-0191](#) ORD-MC re the Public Service Grant Council; Amend Sec 118.104 (Definitions), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Amend the Definition of Grants Administrator; Amend Sec 118.803 (Chief of Grants & Contract Compliance; Responsibilities), Amend Sec 118.804 (Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons & Needs), Amend Sec 118.805 (Eligibility to Apply for Public Service Grants), Amend Sec 118.806 (Application Requirements), & Amend Sec 118.809 (Amendments to Public Service Grant Budgets by Recipients; Approval by Grants Administrator), Pt 8 (Public Service Grants), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Update a Position Title to Be Consistent with the Amended Definition of Grants Administrator, Include the Full Names of Orgs Listed as Resources Re Most Vulnerable Persons & Needs, Limit Requesting Agencies to 1 Appl Per Category of Most Vulnerable Persons & Needs, Clarify Prog Partner Information Requested in the Appl Requirements, & Auth the PSG Council to Apv Budget Changes to the Recipient PSG Agrmt in Excess of 10%; Prov for Codification Instructions (Smith) (Introduced by CM Lahnen)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: R, F
3/17/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 R Amend/Approve 6-1 (Johnson)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

DEFER

Council Member Lahnen spoke on behalf of this bill.

Council Member Freeman talked about his past legislation related to PSG micro-grants.

17. [2025-0192](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a License Agrmt btwn the City & EJPC, LLC for Parking Lot Use by JFRD of the Following Contiguous Properties, All Located in Jax, FL 32202: 124, 225 & 241 W Ashley St, for a 5 Yr Initial Term Commencing as of 10/1/24, with a 5 Yr Renewal Term; Prov for Oversight by JFRD (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
4/1/25 F Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen and Pittman

- Authorizes a parking license agreement for use of 241 W. Ashley St., 225 W. Ashley St., and 124 W. Ashley St. by JFRD for an initial term of five years (beginning 10/1/24) with one five-year renewal term at an initial rate of \$2,300/month to increase 4% annually
- Funding for the license fee was included in JFRD's FY 24/25 approved budget

18. [2025-0193](#) ORD Apv the Issuance by the Capital Projects Finance Authority of Its Utility System Revenue Bonds (First Coast Regional Utilities Project), in 1 or More Series, in an Aggregate Principal Amt Not to Exceed \$47,500,000, the Proceeds from the Sale of Which Will Be Used Principally to Finance & Refinance the Cost of Acquisition of Certain Utility System Improvements to Prov Svcs to "301 Villages" to Be Owned & Operated by First Coast Utilities, Inc.; Limited Appvls; Determining Credit Not Being Pledged; Acknowledging Receipt of the Indemnification Recipient of the Borrower; Apv & Auth the Execution & Delivery of an Interlocal Agrmt btwn the City & the Authority (Bryant, Miller, Olive, P.A. & Sawyer) (Req of the Capital Projects Finance Authority)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, TEU
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
3/31/25 R Approve 6-0
4/1/25 F Approve 8-0
4/1/25 TEU Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman, Diamond and White

Scrivener's

1. Pg. 1, line 21: strike "RECIPIENT" and insert "CERTIFICATE"
2. Pg. 1, line 31: strike period after "Utilities"
3. Pg. 3, line 5: insert "Internal Revenue" before "Code"
4. Pg. 4, line 9: strike "I" and insert "i"

19. [2025-0206](#) ORD Approp \$7,980,286 (Recaptured in FY 23-24 to the General Fund/General Service District) of Gen Fund/General Service District Fund Balance to Cure the Negative Cash Balances in Subfunds & Prov \$3,000,000 to UNF for Esports Prog Arena & \$2,000,000 Each for Renovation of 2 Fire Stations & \$692,823 for the Construction of a Firefighter PPE Wash Facility, Pursuant to Sec 11.7 of Ord 2023-504-E; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds for Fire Station Renovations & Wash Facility; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 16 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with UNF for the Esports Prog Arena; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City an Agrmt btwn the City & UNF for the Esports Prog Arena; Prov for Carryover of Funds to FY 25-26; Prov for Oversight of UNF Agrmt by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Reingold) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Lahnen, Johnson, White, Freeman & Arias)
3/11/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
3/17/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/18/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/25/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 5-1 (Salem)
3/31/25 R Amend/Approve 7-0
4/1/25 F Amend/Approve 7-0-1 (Pittman)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/25/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Diamond and White

Abstain: 1 - Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the Rules amendment. Approved unanimously.

Council Member Diamond offered a floor amendment to remove the UNF Esports Arena funding from this bill.

Diamond amendment approved 4-2-1 (Lahnen and Arias in opposition)

Amendments rolled together.

There was discussion about the community benefits agreement with the Jaguars and using the UNF funding towards the City's obligation related to workforce development. The committee talked about legislation that separating the JFRD funding from the UNF appropriation and decreasing the JFRD appropriation in this bill to set aside for summer camp funding. Chief Powers, JFRD, indicated some flexibility on the timeline for the funds for the wash facility. Council President White encouraged leaving the JFRD appropriation in tact. The committee decided to let this bill proceed as amended with just the funds for JFRD, have OGC draft separate legislation for the UNF Esports arena to be included as an emergency on the addendum for the next council meeting, and work towards a third bill that provides additional funds for summer camps.

Council Member Freeman asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

AMENDMENT:

- 1. Remove the UNF esports arena project**
- 2. Correct fiscal year of appropriation to 2024-2025**
- 3. Clarify the appropriation addresses negative cash balances as of 9/30/24**
- 4. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to account for removal of UNF esports arena project**
- 5. Correct scrivener's errors**

20. [2025-0216](#) ORD Approp \$135,479.45 in Grant Funds from the U.S. Dept of Health & Human Svcs HIV Emergency Relief Proj Grant, Originally Approp Pursuant to Ord 2024-504-E for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Pt a Prog, to Fund 2 New Full-Time Positions within the Social Svcs Div of the Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs Dept, with No Local Match Required, to Support the Prog; Purpose of Approp; Auth the Addition of 2 Full-Time Positions (R.C. 25-091) (B.T. 25-059) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
3/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/31/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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21. [2025-0217](#) ORD Approp \$143,617.00 in Grant Funding from the Chartrand Family Fund for the Peace Officer Wellness Empathy & Resilience (POWER) Prog; Prov for Oversight by JSO (B.T. 25-057) (Dillard) (Req of Sheriff)
3/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/31/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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22. [2025-0218](#) ORD Approp \$3,570,482.74, Including \$1,406,109.86 from the Countywide Traffic Signalization Proj & \$2,164,372.88 from the Countywide Intersection Improvements Proj, to Various Projs Including: (1) \$509,650.82 to the Adams & Lee Traffic Signal Rebuild Proj; (2) \$501,041.61 to the Lonestar & Townsend Mast Arm Replacement Proj; (3) \$233,353.55 to the Arlington & Oakwood Mast Arm Replacement Proj; (4) \$945,543.97 to the Fort Caroline & University Traffic Signal Rebuild Proj; (5) \$1,217,763 to the Monument & Regency Traffic Signal Rebuild Proj; & (6) \$163,129.79 to the St. Johns Bluff & Lost Pine Dr Signalized U-Turn Proj; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Proj (B.T. 25-054) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
3/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
3/31/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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23. [2025-0219](#) ORD Approp \$2,440,000.00, Including \$1,990,000.00 from the Countywide Drainage System Rehab Proj & \$450,000.00 from the Countywide Underdrain Replacements Proj, to Various Projs Including: (1) \$200,000 to the Ingleside Ave (DSR) - Capital Improvement Proj; (2) \$146,000 to the Broward Rd Improvements Proj; (3) \$619,000 to the Golden Spike Ct Embankment Repair Proj; (4) \$525,000 to the Heritage Hills Embankment Repair Proj; (5) \$500,000 to the Belvedere Ave Drainage Improvements Proj; & (6) \$450,000 to the Crosby Ln Underdrain Proj; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Proj (B.T. 25-055) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
3/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
3/31/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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24. [2025-0221](#) ORD Apv the Baymeadows Community Improvement Dist Dependent Special Dist Proposed FY 25-26 Budget Pursuant to Ord 2021-838-E, as Amended by Ord 2024-69-E, & Sec 189.02, F.S. (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP pursuant to Ord 2021-838-E)
3/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/31/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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25. [2025-0224](#) ORD-MC Repealing Sec 382.309 (Determination of Annual Rate of Compensation & Measure of Contract Compensation), Pt 3 (Selection of Waste Collection & Disposal Service Areas & Contractors), Ch 382 (Waste Collection & Disposal Service by Contractors & City), Ord Code; Prov Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Miller) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
3/25/25 CO Introduced: R, F
3/31/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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26. [2025-0225](#) ORD Etab the FY 25-26 Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons & Needs for Public Svc Grant Approp in Accordance with Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code (Staffopoulos) (Req of the Public Service Grant Council)
3/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/31/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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27. [2025-0226](#) ORD Approp \$5,000 from a Gen Fund Operating Special Council Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct to Prov Funding to Rakad Dance Camp Inc., for the Leadership Empowered Arts Prog (L.E.A.P.) as Described Herein; Prov for Carryover to FY 25-26; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with Rakad Dance Camp Inc.; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City a Grant Agrmt btwn the COJ & Rakad Dance Camp Inc. for L.E.A.P.; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Johnson)
3/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
3/31/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/31/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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28. [2025-0227](#) ORD Approp \$178,694.00 in Anticipated Rev from Air Pollution Tag Fees to Be Used to Replace Aging Air Monitoring Shelter (B.T. 25-053) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
 3/25/25 CO Introduced: F, TEU
 4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/1/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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29. [2025-0237](#) ORD Approp \$855,053.32 in Gen Fund Operating - Contributions for Fire & Rescue Svcs Funds, for the Mobile Stroke Training Unit (MSTU), & to Fund 7 New Positions within the JFRD, Mobile Stroke Training Unit; Auth Said Positions; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, the Collaboration Agrmt btwn the COJ & Shands Jax Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a UF Health Jax; Prov for City Oversight by the JFRD (R.C. 25-094) (B.T. 25-061) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
 3/25/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 3/31/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/1/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/8/25

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Public Comment

Kyajuana Gilbert on 2025-191, Karissa Lepley on 2025-191, Pablo Diaz De Sandi on 2025-191, Keith Biggers on 2025-191, Tom Geismar on 2025-191, Joy Hervey on 2025-191, Jim Kowalski on 2025-191, Daniel Henry on 2025-191.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

*******Note: Items may be added at the discretion of the Chair.*******

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