

City of Jacksonville

117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

1:00 PM

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

Finance Committee

Joe Carlucci, Chair

Nick Howland

Ron Salem

Rory Diamond

Raul Arias

Will Lahnen - Excused

Ju'Coby Pittman - Excused

Legislative Assistant: Barbara Ireland Hobson

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

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Meeting Convened: 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:59 p.m.

Present: 5 - Joe Carlucci, Nick Howland, Raul Arias, Rory Diamond and Ron Salem

Excused: 2 - Will Lahnen and Ju'Coby Pittman

Attendance:

CM Boylan: 2026-137, 2026-151

CM Miller: 2026-139

CM Freeman: 2026-138

• **Presentation on Durkeeville Study (Ord. 2024-253-E) – Ennis Davis (postponed)**

• **Council Auditor Kim Taylor to discuss:**

- **James Weldon Johnson Park grant**

Ms. Taylor spoke about the James Weldon Johnson Park state grant and explained the \$1 million grant dollars and the City's match of \$250,000 have been spent on the project but the City will not be reimbursed due to not seeking the reimbursement from the state or reporting in a timely manner. CM Salem asked about grant oversight, and Ms. Taylor said this grant is overseen by the Parks Department and that the error may have been attributed to a change in staffing. CM Arias asked why the Administration was unaware of the missed grant reporting deadlines. CVP Howland talked about how the future funding for this project will be budgeted. Ms. Taylor indicated that the Administration will have to identify the funding source.

- **Report #857A: Follow-up on Equestrian Center Audit**

Ms. Taylor said that the first follow-up on this audit showed all issues resolved.

- **Report #726D: Follow-up on Municipal Code Compliance Division Revenue Audit**

Ms. Taylor said that the fourth follow-up on this audit showed all issues resolved.

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

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. [2025-0361](#) ORD Concerning Retiree Adjustment Payments; Incorporating Recitals; Auth a Retired Employee Adjustment Payment to Retirees & Beneficiaries of the Correctional Officers, General Employees & Police & Fire Pension Funds of the City; Prov for Funding from Pension Liability Surtax; Requiring Certification of Eligibility by the Administrator of the General Employees' Pension Plan & Executive Director of the Police & Fire Pension Plan; Prov for Timing of Payments (Reingold) (Introduced by CM White) (Co-Sponsors CMs Johnson, Gay, Carlucci, Amaro, Gaffney, Jr., Carrico, Peluso & Pittman)
5/13/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
5/19/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
5/20/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
5/27/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 5/27/25

DEFER

4. [2025-0775](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 602.802 (Restricted Activities), Pt 8 (Lobbying), Ch 602 (Jacksonville Ethics Code), Ord Code, to Prohibit Certain Expenditures to the Mayor & Council Members; Prov for Codification Instructions (Reingold) (Introduced by CM Carlucci)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: R, F
10/20/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/28/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/28/25

DEFER

5. [2026-0136](#) ORD Approp \$3,100,000 from New Berlin Rd (Cedar Pt to Starrt/Pulsky) - Other Construction Costs Acct, to Prov Funding for the City's Acquisition of 5 Parcels of Land, all Located in Jax, FL, in Council Dist 2 & 8, as Required for the Completion of the New Berlin Rd Improvement Proj, with Such Parcels Identified as follows: 12630 Yellow Bluff Rd (R.E. #: 106930-0030), 0 New Berlin Rd (R.E. #: 106536-0235), 0 New Berlin Rd (R.E. #: 106536-0210), 3696 New Berlin Rd (R.E. #: 106548-0000), & 3694 New Berlin Rd (R.E. #: 106548-0050) (Collectively, the Property); Appv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver those Certain Real Estate Purchase & Sale Agrmts Required for the City to Effectuate its Acquisition of the Propty, as follows: Real Estate Purchase & Sale Agrmt Btwn the COJ & Lucy Paret & Jorge Monzon for the Purchase of 12630 Yellow Bluff Rd (R.E. #: 106930-0030) for the Negotiated Purchase Price of \$1,190,000, Real Estate Purchase & Sale Agrmt Btwn the COJ & Donald Heath Williams for the Purchase of 0 New Berlin Rd (R.E. #: 106536-0235) & 0 New Berlin Rd (R.E. #: 106536-0210) for the Negotiated Purchase Price of \$958,245, & Real Estate Purchase & Sale Agrmt Btwn the COJ & New Cedar Point Properties, LLC, a FL LLC, for the Purchase of 3696 New Berlin Rd (R.E. #: 106548-0000), & 3694 New Berlin Rd (R.E. #: 106548-0050) for a Negotiated Purchase Price of \$768,400 (Collectively, the Agrmts), & all Closing & Other Docs Contemplated Therein or Relating Thereto, & to Otherwise Take all Necessary Action to Effectuate the Purposes of the Agrmts to Purchase the Subj Propty at a Total Negotiated Purchase Price, Inclusive of Closing & Related Costs, not to Exceed \$3,100,000; Prov for Oversight by the Real Estate Div of the Public Works Dept for the Acquisition of the Propty & by the Dept of Public Works, Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div Thereafter (Wilson) (Introduced by CM Gay) (Co-sponsor CM White)
 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
 3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/16/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
 3/17/26 TEU Amend/Approve 5-0
 3/17/26 F Amend/Aprove 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct account codes**
- 2. Authorize amendment of the 2025-505-E Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan to reflect appropriation between expenditure types and attach CIP sheet as a new Exhibit**
- 3. Correct Scrivener's**

- **Total project costs anticipated to be approximately \$43 million (all funds previously appropriated)**

- **Proposed acquisition of the following properties:**

- **12630 Yellow Bluff Rd. – +/- 2.09 acres – \$1,190,000**
- **0 New Berlin Rd. (2 parcels) – +/- 3.4 acres – \$958,245**
- **3696 & 3694 New Berlin Rd. – +/- 2.13 acres – \$768,400**

6. [2026-0137](#) ORD Relating to the Council Rules; Amend Council Rules 2.202 (Attendance; Voting) & 2.210 (Rules in Committee), Pt 2 (Committee Procedure), Ch 2 (Committees), Council Rules, to Address Council Member Attendance & Auth Absences for Standing Committee Meetings & the Required Quorum for Council Standing Committees; Amend Council Rule 4.106 (Quorum), Pt 1 (Meetings; Quorum), Ch 4 (Procedures), Council Rules, to Address Council Member Attendance & Auth Absences for Council Meetings; Estab a Prospective Date of 7/1/26, for the Council Rule Amends Prov Herein to Become Effective (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Boylan) (Co-Sponsor CM Diamond) 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, TEU, F, LUZ
3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/2/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/16/26 NCSPHS Approve 6-1 (Gay)
3/16/26 R Amend/Approve 6-0
3/17/26 TEU Amend/Approve 5-0
3/17/26 F Amend/Aprove 5-0
3/17/26 LUZ Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

CM Diamond said he wants more of a carve out for excusals for military orders, which sometimes lead to urgent departures.

CM Diamond requested to be added as a co-sponsor.

RULES AMENDMENT

- 1. Clarify that, in the event there are two excused absences for a standing committee meeting, the quorum shall be reduced to four members for that meeting**
- 2. Correct scrivener's errors**

- **Amends Council Rule 2.202 (Attendance; voting) to:**

- Clarify written requests are required for excusals from standing, special, and select committee meetings
- Add provision that no more than one Council Member may be excused from a regular meeting of a standing committee with the exception that additional absences may be authorized for a medical reason for a Council Member or relative of a Council Member and when a Council Member is ordered into military service
- Revise language regarding unexcused absences to specify that failure to attend three regular meetings of a standing committee (instead of three consecutive meetings) or three consecutive meetings of a special or select committee (instead of three meetings) without approval of the committee chair during a given Council year will constitute automatic withdrawal from the committee (instead of automatic withdrawal upon recommendation by the chair to the President)
- Add provision that each committee chair will announce how they intend to address absences and excusals at the outset of each Council year

- **Amends Council Rule 2.210 (Rules in Committee) to:**

- Establish the quorum for standing committees as 5 members (instead of a majority of its members)

- **Amends Council Rule 4.106 (Quorum) to:**

- Add limit of no more than two excused absences for any regular meeting of the Council, with the exception that additional absences may be authorized for a medical reason for a Council Member or relative of a Council Member and when a Council Member is ordered into military service
 - Require unexcused absences to be announced at the beginning of each Council meeting
 - Add provision that the Council President will announce how they intend to address absences and excusals at the outset of each Council year
- Establishes a prospective date of July 1, 2026 for the proposed changes to become effective

7. [2026-0138](#) ORD Estab the FY 26-27 Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons & Needs for Public Svcs Grant Approps in Accord with Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by Public Service Grant Council)
 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/2/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/16/26 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
 3/16/26 R Approve 6-0
 3/17/26 F Amend/Approve 4-1 (Diamond)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias and Salem

Nay: 1 - Diamond

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

There was a lengthy discussion on this item related to the categories and the mini-grant program. CM Freeman was in attendance to speak on this bill and the history of the mini-grant category. He emphasized the need for the mini-grants and he noted that the original legislation for the program included a dedicated staff person. CM Freeman said the funds could go to funding JSEB programs. He highlighted recent state legislation regarding DEI. CM Freeman talked about the appropriate role of Dr. Ahmed, Mayor's Office, in assisting the Public Service Grant Council. CM Boylan said Dr. Ahmed has provided the PSGC with relevant data as requested.

Maribel Figueroa explained why the micro-grant program was temporarily paused for now and she described staff capacity issues.

CM Arias suggested an amendment to rearrange the funding percentages. CM Howland/Arias - Motion/2nd Floor on an amendment to reduce the 3 categories by 1% to provide 3% for the mini-grant program. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

Reduce the Acute, Prevention and Diversion, and Self-Sufficiency And Stability categories each by 1% and establish the Micro-Grant Program at 3%

- **Proposed categories and percentage funding for FY 26/27 Public Service Grants are:**
 - Acute – 30%
 - Prevention and Diversion – 35%
 - Self-Sufficiency and Stability – 35%
 - PSG Micro Grant Program – 0%
- **FY 25/26 categories and percentages were initially approved through Ord. 2025-225-E and did not include an allocation for micro-grants. City Council later reallocated \$200,000 for micro-grants as part of the FY 25/26 budget process and revised the percentages to the following:**
 - Acute – 34%
 - Prevention and Diversion – 29%
 - Self-Sufficiency and Stability – 34%
 - PSG Micro Grant Program – 3%

8. [2026-0139](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 111.920 (Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund), Pt 9 (Neighborhood Development), Ch 111 (Special Revenue & Trust Accounts), Ord Code, to Require Prior City Council Appvl for Expenditures in Excess of \$100,000 from the Homelessness Initiatives Special Rev Fund; Prov for Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Miller)
 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/2/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/16/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
 3/16/26 R Amend/Approve 6-0
 3/17/26 F Amend/Approve 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.
CM Miller explained the intent of this bill, to give council more oversight and awareness of HIC spending.

NCSPHS AMENDMENT

Revise language to limit spending authority on any project, program, or initiative to \$100,000 without prior Council approval instead of any single expenditure

- **The Homelessness Initiatives Commission has executed a contract for consulting services and strategic plan development in an amount not to exceed \$260,000 for the period of 2/24/26 – 2/23/27**

9. [2026-0142](#) ORD Pertaining to Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grant Awards; Waiving Subsection 118.301(A)(3)(iii) (Expenditure of Appropriated Funds), Part 3 (Administration of City Grants), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow the Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grant Funds Awarded to University of Florida Foundation, Inc. (“UFF”) to Be Used for Contributions to the UF Board of Trustees (on Behalf of University of Florida College of Medicine-Jacksonville (“UFCOM-J”) & Shands Jax Medical Center, Inc. (“Shands”) to Support UFCOM-J’s & Shands’s Respective Activities in Estab & Operating a Medication-Assisted Treatment Clinic in Jax; Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute a Grant Agrmt Btwn the City & UFF Subj to Certain Revised Terms (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/2/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/16/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
 3/16/26 R Amend/Approve 6-0
 3/17/26 F Amend/Approve 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

Clarify documentation requirements for subrecipients

- **Waives Code Sec. 118.301(a)(3)(iii) to allow the University of Florida Foundation, Inc. to distribute fiscal year 25/26 Opioid Settlement Proceeds grant funds to the University of Florida Board of Trustees and Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc. for establishment and operation of a medication-assisted treatment program**

10. [2026-0143](#) ORD Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & Corp Sec to Execute Amdt 1 to the Redevelopment Agrmt Previously Auth by Ord 2023-89-E, Btwn the City, DIA & AR Polar Jacksonville, LLC; Auth the Execution of all Docs Relating to the Above Agrmts and Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs; Desig of Auth Official & the DIA as Contract Monitor; Prov for City Oversight by the DIA; Auth the Execution of all Docs Relating to the Above Agrmt(s), & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs (Lavie) (Req of the DIA)
 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/16/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
 3/17/26 F Amend/Approve 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

Clarify the completion date for the Festival Park Improvements is also being extended

- **Authorizes an Amendment One to the Redevelopment Agreement with AR Polar Jacksonville, Inc. to make the following changes:**
 - **Revise the commencement of construction of the Fire Station Parcel Improvements from April 28, 2024 to February 5, 2025**
 - **Revise the completion date of the Festival Park Improvements from June 30, 2025 to October 31, 2026**
 - **Revise the expiration date of the Options from March 31, 2028 to March 31, 2030**
- **As authorized by the Redevelopment Agreement, the City has a future obligation to either 1) pay AR Polar \$3,055,000 for conveyance of the marine fire station parcel or 2) convey a 1.35-acre portion of the adjacent City-owned retention pond parcel to AR Polar, to be filled in at the City's expense prior to conveyance**

11. [2026-0144](#) ORD Approp \$750,000 from the Gen CIP - Debt Mgmt Fund Principal Acct to the PWEN Supervision - Engineering - Other Transportation Svcs - Other Professional Svcs Acct, all Within the Gen Fund Operating Fund, to Prov Funding for Professional Svcs to Conduct Due Diligence Related to Potential Locations for a new Jacksonville Justice Center; Prov for Carryover of Funds to FY 26-27 (B.T. 26-044) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Lahnen & Miller)
 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/16/26 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
 3/17/26 F Approve 4-1 (Diamond)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias and Salem

Nay: 1 - Diamond

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

- **Services will include conducting needs and facility assessments, evaluating and making recommendations for potential locations and sites, and presenting the options and recommendations to the City**
- **Authorizes carryover of funds into FY 2026/27**

12. [2026-0145](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City an Amdt to the FY 25-26 City Grant Agmt Btwn the City & I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc. for the Mental Health Offender Program as Originally Auth by Ord 2025-504-E, Subj to a Revised Budget as Described Herein; Prov for Cont Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Smith) (Req of Mayor)
 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/16/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
 3/17/26 F Amend/Approve 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

Clarify that the reallocated budget also consolidates Client Housing (\$1,000) with Client Personal (\$1,100) and attach Revised Exhibit 1 (Amended Budget) to reflect the same

•Proposed budget amendment includes transfers of:

- \$121,550 from Psychiatrist Salary to Professional Services (was \$0) to support psychiatrist services
- \$1,000 from Client Housing to Client Personal (was \$1,100) for clothing and personal care items

13. [2026-0146](#) ORD Amend the JTA FY 24-25 Budget; Amend Ord 2024-514-E by Amend Revised Schedule O (Estimated Operating Revs) & Revised Schedule P (Operating Expenditures) to Approp Add'l Revs to Offset Increased Operating Expenses Exceeding the Appvd JTA Budget for FY 24-25 (Staffopoulos) (Req of the JTA)
2/24/26 CO Introduced: TEU, F
3/3/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

DEFER

14. [2026-0147](#) ORD Auth the DIA to Demolish the Bldg (Formerly Known Generally as the Museum of Science & History Building) & Related Improvements Owned by the City and Located Generally at 1025 Museum Circle in the City Within the Downtown Southbank CRA; Prov for City Oversight of the Project by the DIA & Dept of Public Works (Sawyer) (Req of the DIA)
2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/16/26 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
3/17/26 F Approve 5-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

CM Arias asked about the funding source for the demolition, which will be funded through CRA funds. When asked, Mr. Parola, DIA, said there is roughly \$48 million remaining in the CRA account.

• **Funding for the demolition is within the Southbank CRA budget**

15. [2026-0149](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City: (1) a 3rd Mortgage Modification Agrmt Among the City, VCP-Roosevelt Bldg, Ltd., & VCP-Roosevelt Garage, LLC; (2) a 3rd Note Modification Agrmt btwn the City & VCP-Roosevelt Bldg, Ltd., for the Purpose of Extending the Maturity Date of the Loan From 3/1/26 to 9/1/26, the Original Loan Having Been Auth by Ord 2001-795-E; (3) a 4th Mortgage Modification Agrmt btwn the City & VCP-Lynch Bldg, Ltd.; & (4) a 4th Note Modification Agrmt btwn the City & VCP-Lynch Bldg, Ltd., for the Purpose of Extending the Maturity Date of the Loan From 3/1/26 to 9/1/26, the Original Loan Having Been Auth by Ord 2000-1079-E; Requiring an Acknowledgment & Consent of Guarantor by the Vestcor Companies, Inc. for each of the Foregoing Loan Modification Agrmts as a Cond of Closing, Together with such other Closing Docs & Technical Changes as May Be Required by the Gen Counsel, or His Desig, & the Mayor's Office, Prov that the City's Costs Are Not Increased; Prov for City Oversight by the DIA (Sawyer) (Introduced by CM Peluso) (Co-Sponsor CM Miller)
2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
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Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

1. **Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (DIA Resolution) to include executed DIA Resolution**
2. **Place revised documents on file to include principal balances, correct monthly payment amount for 11E/Lynch loan, and correct scrivener's errors**
3. **Correct scrivener's error**

• **Borrower will continue making monthly payments of \$42,207.25 for the Roosevelt/Carling loan and \$66,666.67 for the Lynch/11E loan until balloon payments are due 9/1/26**

• **The outstanding balance of each loan is:**

- \$11,032,207.36 - Carling/Roosevelt

- \$10,973,327.63 - Lynch/11E

16. [2026-0150](#) ORD Making Certain Findings, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, to Execute: (1) an Economic Dev Agrmt btwn the City & Campbell Cove, Ltd. (“Company”); & (2) Loan Docs & Related Docs as Described in the Agrmt, to Support the Dev by Company of an Approx 240 Unit Mixed-Income Apartment Community Located at 11000 Beach Blvd in the City (“Project”); Auth a Dev Loan in the Amt of \$5,000,000 with a Term of 20 Years in Connection with the Proj, to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Desig the Neighborhoods Dept as Contract Monitor for the Agrmt & Related Docs; Prov for City Oversight of the Proj by the Neighborhoods Dept; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Above Agrmts & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs; Prov a Deadline for the Company to Execute the Agrmt after it is Delivered to the Company; Waiver of that Portion of the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2024-286-E, as Amended, to Auth a Dev Loan that is Not Currently Auth by the Public Investment Policy (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor & Co-Introduced by CM Howland) (Co-Sponsors CMs Miller, Amaro, White, Gay, Boylan, Salem, Freeman & J. Carlucci)
 2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/2/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/16/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
 3/16/26 R Amend/Approve 7-0
 3/17/26 F Amend/Approve 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the Rules amendment. Approved unanimously.

CVP Howland talked about the balance of providing affordable housing and fiscal prudence, he spoke in support of this legislation. CM Arias noted the importance of affordable housing options throughout the city.

RULES AMENDMENT

- 1. Revise contract monitor and oversight to the Office of Economic Development**
- 2. Correct scrivener's errors**
- 3. Place Revised Economic Development Agreement on file to revise oversight to the Office of Economic Development, correct Code references, revise the legal description of the parcel, and correct scrivener's errors**

- **Authorizes a \$5 million Development Loan to Campbell Cove, Ltd. (Vestcor) for construction of a 240-unit apartment community to be located at 11000 Beach Blvd.**
- **All units will be restricted for those at or below 60% AMI**
- **The Development Loan will have a 20-year term with 1% interest per year with interest-only payments through maturity and a balloon principal payment at the end of the term**
- **The loan can be repaid in full or in part at any time with no penalty**
- **The loan will become due and payable to the City if the project no longer qualifies as affordable housing during the term of the loan**
- **The Developer is required to provide annual audits and if the General Partner or affiliates of the General Partner collectively receive distributions and/or loan interest payments in excess of \$500,000 in any year, the excess will be paid to the City and used to reduce the principal balance of the loan**
- **Waives the Public Investment Policy to authorize a Development Loan, which is not an authorized incentive under the policy**

17. [2026-0151](#) ORD-MC Re Public Svc Grants; Amend Sec 118.803 (Grants Administrator; Responsibilities), 118.805 (Eligibility to Apply for PSGs), 118.806 (Appl Requirements), 118.807 (Review, Evaluation & Scoring of Appls by PSG Council), 118.808 (Funding Allocations by the PSG Council; Grant Award Limitations), & 118.810 (PSG Appeals Brd; Appeals Procedure), Pt 8 (PSGs), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Remove the In Person Requirement for Courtesy Reviews of Appl, Clarify Eligibility Requirements, Update Appl Requirements, Change the Assignment of Points to the Evaluation Criterion, Clarify the Use of the High Score Model to Prov Funding to the Next Highest Ranked Score When an Awarded Recipient Does Not Accept the Award or Funding Otherwise Becomes Available, & Update PSG Appeals Brd Procedure; Prov for Codification Instructions (Smith) (Introduced by CM Boylan)
2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/2/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

CM Diamond talked about the potential reduction in property tax revenue based on state action, which will mean that the City will not be able to support nonprofits in the future.

CM Boylan said that if property taxes are reduced, the City will have to absorb and fund the work done by PSG grantees.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Include Eastside Community Grants program within Sec. 118.805(a) limitations on grant funding**
- 2. Clarify application contents related to existing programs**
- 3. Correct terminology**
- 4. Correct Code section reference within Sec. 118.805(a)**
- 5. Correct scrivener's errors**

- **Amends Part 8 (Public Service Grants) of Ch. 118 (City Grants) to make the following changes:**
 - **Remove requirement for courtesy application reviews to be conducted in person**
 - **Clarify eligibility documents**
 - **Add provision that a requesting agency will be deemed ineligible if the PSG Council or Grants Administrator determines that a statement made in the application affidavit is incorrect**
 - **Clarify application contents**
 - **Revise the maximum points that can be assigned to each application section**
 - **Clarify process for making changes to the final funding allocations should a PSG recipient decline funding or additional funding become available**
 - **Clarify the Grants Administrator will determine the timeliness of an appeal**

18. [2026-0155](#) RESO Designating First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. as Duval County's Agent Solely for the Purpose of Applying for, Receiving, & Expending Money from the FL Crime Stoppers Trust Fund Pursuant to Sec 16.555, F.S., & Rule 2A-9.002, FL Admin Code, for a Period of 3 Yrs Beginning 7/1/26 through 6/30/2029; Directing the Legislative Svcs Div to Send a Copy of this Reso to the Attorney General's Office, Dept of Legal Affairs, & to First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. Upon its Adoption (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CMs Howland, Gay, Freeman, Amaro, Carrico, Miller, Gaffney, Jr., Arias & Pittman)(Co-sponsors CMs White, Johnson, J. Carlucci, Diamond & Salem)
2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/2/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/10/26 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/16/26 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
3/16/26 R Approve 7-0
3/17/26 F Approve 5-0

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Howland, Arias, Diamond and Salem

Excused: 2 - Lahnen and Pittman

CP Howland explained the bill.

CMs J. Carlucci, Diamond and Salem asked to be added as co-sponsors.

19. [2026-0179](#) ORD Apv the Baymeadows Community Improvement Dist Dependent Special Dist Proposed FY 26-27 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)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 3/24/26

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20. [2026-0180](#) ORD Approp \$4,500,000 from the Tree Protection & Related Expenses Trust Fund (Ordinance) to the Level 2 Tree Planting Prog to Prov Funds for Tree Plantings Administered by the Dept of Public Works on Public Property; Prov for Contd Oversight by the Dept of Public Works (MacGillis) (Introduced by CM Arias)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 3/24/26

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21. [2026-0181](#) ORD Approp \$359,000.00 in Grant Funding from the FL Dept of Financial Svcs, Div of State Fire Marshal to the JFRD to Prov Support for Fire Specialty Teams; Prov for Oversight by the JFRD (B.T. 26-047) (Smith) (Req of Mayor)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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22. [2026-0182](#) ORD Approp \$500.00 in Funding from the Tractor Supply Company Foundation to the JFRD for Lawn & Kitchen Supplies; Prov Oversight by the JFRD (B.T. 26-045) (Smith) (Req of Mayor)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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23. [2026-0183](#) ORD Amend the 26-30 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2025-505-E to Revise the Scope of the Proj Entitled “Fire Station 18” to Eliminate Propty Acquisition & Parking Expansion & Add Exterior Elements to Improve Aesthetics & Safety (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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24. [2026-0184](#) ORD Approp \$120,000.00 in Grant Funding from the FL Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (“FWC”) for Reimb of Certain of the City’s Costs to Construct a Marine Artificial Reef Complex in the Harm’s Ledge Permitted Area; Prov for Oversight by the Office of Admin Svcs, EQD (B.T. 26-051) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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25. [2026-0185](#) ORD Approp \$100,000.00 from the City Hall St. James - Judgements Recovered Acct within the Public Bldg Allocations Fund, to Pay the Costs for Repairs to the St. James Bldg (City Hall) Elevators; Prov for Project Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Public Bldg Div (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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26. [2026-0186](#) ORD Approp \$314,900 From Gen Fund Operating Reserves to the FRFO Admin Svcs - Fire Control - Specialized Equipment Acct, to Prov Funding to the JFRD for the Purchase & Installation of Infant Safety Devices Commonly Referred to as “Baby Boxes” at 14 Fire Stations Throughout Duval County; Prov for Carryover to FY 26-27; Prov for Oversight by the JFRD (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Diamond)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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27. [2026-0187](#) ORD Approp \$30,000 from the Multiyear Prog & Initiatives - Council Dist 1 CBA - Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct to Prov Funding to North FL School of Special Education, Inc. (“NFSSE”) for the NFSSE Vocational Training/Community Integrated Employment Program (“Program”) as Described Herein; Prov for Carryover to FY 26-27; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process; Waiver & Disclosures), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With NFSSE; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City a Grant Agrmt Btwn the City & NFSSE, Inc. for the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Amaro) (Co-Sponsor CM Peluso & Johnson)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/16/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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28. [2026-0189](#) ORD Approp \$32,500.00 from the Tax Collector Misc Rev Acct, to the Repairs & Maintenance Acct, for the City's Use Toward Refurbishment of the Westside Tax Collector Branch Premises btwn the 61st & 72nd Month of the Lease Term; Prov for Oversight by the Tax Collector (B.T. 26-052) (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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29. [2026-0190](#) ORD Apv a Change Order in the Amt of \$44,897.19, in Connection with the Buildout of the Tax Collector Office Located at 11160 Beach Blvd, Pursuant to a Lease Agrmt btwn the City, for & on Behalf of the Tax Collector (Tenant), & St. Johns Square Land Trust (Landlord), as Auth by Ord 2025-328-E, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver Any Related Change Orders Arising Under the Lease, Prov that Such Change Orders Do Not Exceed the Total Amt Approp for the Proj & Do Not Exceed 10% of the Originally Agreed Upon Buildout Costs, & Any Lease Amdt Related to Same; Prov for Oversight by the Tax Collector (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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30. [2026-0207](#) ORD Approp \$355,000 from the Jax Recreation & Environmental Land Acquisition Fund - Investment Pool Earnings Acct to the McDuff Ave Park Proj - Land Acquisition Cost Acct to Prov Funding for the City's Purchase of 6 Properties Located at 0 McDuff Ave N (R.E. # 056005-0000, 056006-0000, 056007 0000), 957 McDuff Ave N (R.E. # 056008-0000), 961 McDuff Ave N (R.E. # 056009-0000), & 971 McDuff Ave N (R.E. # 056010-0000), Jax, FL, in Council Dist 9 (Collectively, the Property), Near Westbrook Center & Park, to be Used as a Passive Park; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver that Certain Real Estate Purchase & Sale Agrmt Btwn the COJ & Kevin Thigpen & William Taylor, & All Closing & Other Docs Contemplated Therein or Relating Thereto, & to Otherwise Take all Necessary Action to Effectuate the Purposes of the Agrmt to Purchase the Subj Propty at a Negotiated Purchase Price not to Exceed \$350,000; Amend the 26-30 5-year CIP Appvd by Ord 2025-505-E to Reflect this Appropriation of Funds to a New Proj Entitled "McDuff Ave Park;" Prov for Oversight by the Real Estate Div of the Public Works Dept for the Acquisition of the Propty & by the Parks, Recreation, & Community Svcs Dept Thereafter (Wilson) (Introduced by CM Clark-Murray)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

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Public Comment: Carnell Oliver

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, April 7, 2026.

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

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