

City of Jacksonville

*1st Floor - Council Chamber
117 W. Duval Street*



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

9:00 AM

Council Chambers 1st Floor, City Hall

Jacksonville Waterways Commission

CM Nick Howland, Chair

CM Randy DeFoor, Vice Chair

CM LeAnna Cumber

CM Tyrona Clark-Murray, Alternate

Jon Michael Barker

Robert Birtalan

Lane Burnet

Representative Kiyon Michael

Mark Devereaux

Andrew Fraden

Marc Hardesty

Richard Hartley

Jill D. Haskell

Richard J. Redick

Marshall Adkison, Ex-Officio

Adam Hoyles, Ex-Officio

Barbara Ireland Hobson, Legislative Assistant

Susan Grandin, Asst. General Counsel

Dr. Gerard Pinto, Jacksonville University

Richard Distel, Research Assistant

Jim Suber, Waterways Coordinator

Meeting Convened: 9:03 A.M. Meeting Adjourned: 11:05 A.M.

Call To Order

Roll Call

- Present** 12 - Commissioner Jon Michael Barker, Chair Nick Howland, Vice Chair Randy DeFoor, Commissioner LeAnna Cumber, Commissioner Robert Birtalan, Ex-Officio Marshall Adkison, Ex-Officio Adam Hoyles, Commissioner Andrew Fraden, Commissioner Richard Hartley, Alternate Tyrone Clark-Murray, Commissioner Richard Redick, and Commissioner Kiyan Michael
- Absent** 2 - Commissioner Jill Haskell, and Mark Devereaux

Attendance:

CM Ferraro - 2022-820

1. Approval of Minutes for 10/12/22 & 12/14/22 JWC Meetings

Rep. Michael, Mr. Birtalan, Mr. Redick, CM DeFoor, CM Howland, CM Cumber, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Fraden, Mr. Barker, Mr. Burnett, and Mr. Hartley voted to approve the minutes 11 to 0.

APPROVE

2. New Business

2022-0820-E ORD Adopting a Small-Scale Amendmnt to the FLUM 2030 Comp Plan at 6131 Cedar Point Rd, btwn Nungezer Rd & Pumpkin Hill Rd - (R.E. # 159855-0500) (48.82± Acres) – AGR-III & AGR-IV to RR – Jeffrey Andring & Catherine Andring (Appl # L-5752-22C) (Dist. 2-Ferraro) (Hinton) (LUZ) (PD & PC Apv) (JWC Deny)
(Rezoning 2022-821)
11/9/22 CO Introduced: LUZ, JWC
11/15/22 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/22/22 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/13/22 CO PH Addnt'l 1/10/23
1/10/23 CO PH Cont'd 1/24/23
1/18/23 LUZ PH Approve 6-0
1/24/23 CO PH Approve 10-8-1 (Becton, Carlucci, Cumber, Ferraro, Morgan, Priestly Jackson, Salem, Clark-Murray) (DeFoor)
LUZ PH – 1/4/23, 1/18/23
Public Hearing Pursuant to Sec 163.3187, F.S. & Ch 650, Pt 4, Ord Code – 12/13/22 & 1/10/23, 1/24/23

Ed Lukacovic, Planning Department, explained the legislation. CM DeFoor asked what is the difference in this legislation than one that was brought before council and failed two years ago. Mr. Lukacovic said there is no difference in the land use request. CM Cumber asked about possible flooding issues and mitigation. CM Ferraro said that the entire community is against this legislation. Mr. Adkison asked what is the need for this legislation. Paul Harden, representing the applicant, said it is the need for housing. Mr. Harden said there is no development into the wetlands. Members of the public from the community spoke in opposition to the legislation.

Rep. Michael, Mr. Birtalan, Mr. Redick, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Fraden, Mr. Barker, Mr. Burnett, and Mr. Hartley voted to deny 2022-820. CM Howland and CM Cumber voted to approve. The bill was denied by a vote of 2 to 8 (CM DeFoor abstained due to a possible conflict).

DENY

3. Old Business

Approval of 2023 FIND Grant Project Recommendations

Brian Burket, Parks Department, explained the projects that will be funded.

Rep. Michael, Mr. Birtalan, Mr. Redick, CM DeFoor, CM Howland, CM Cumber, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Fraden, Mr. Barker, Mr. Burnett, and Mr. Hartley voted to approve the FIND Grant Project Recommendations 11 to 0.

APPROVE

Jacksonville University - Manatee Protection Plan Contract Renewal

Rep. Michael, Mr. Birtalan, Mr. Redick, CM DeFoor, CM Howland, CM Cumber, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Fraden, Mr. Barker, Mr. Burnett, and Mr. Hartley voted to approve the Manatee Protection Plan Contract Renewal 11 to 0.

Ortega River Derelict Vessels - Anchoring Limitation Area - Signage

Brian Burket, Parks Department gave an update and said the design and permits have been submitted.

St. Johns River Status Report on Water Quality & Manatees

Dr. Pinto said there has been 1 inch of rainfall accumulation this year and no algae bloom so far this year.

There has been one manatee death this year on January 8th and another manatee was rescued on January 6th and is rehabbing at the Jacksonville Zoo.

Updating Oyster and Shellfish Harvesting

Mr. Adkison gave a presentation which updated the Commissioners on the oyster and shellfish harvesting.

Artificial Reef Subcommittee Update:

St. Johns River Shoaling Subcommittee Update

Dr. Jeremy Stalker, Jacksonville University, talked about the analysis process, the proposal to study the shoaling and the permits what would be needed.

4. Public Comment

Azi Yavari talked about the need for a slow speed zone around the Cesery Bridge.

John Nooney talked about the Artificial Reef Trust Fund.

Adjournment

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