

## **Agenda**

## **Special Committee: Jacksonville Small Emerging Business**

Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 12:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.

## **Introductions & Opening**

**Chair, Raul Arias** 

## **New Business**

- 1. **Opening Summary**: Provide an overview of the outcomes for the technology, marketing, staffing, and legislation updates. Greg Grant
  - a. COJ Technology Solutions Launch July 1st
  - b. 3 Marketing Initiatives Launched in June
  - c. Enhanced Staffing Initiative Launched in June
  - d. Legislation Amendments Created in June
- 2. <u>Technology</u>: Provide execution details of the JSEB technology project with future implications and next steps. Greg Grant
  - a. Digitization of the JSEB Application process. (Doing this internally resulted in an approximate 1.4M cost savings to the city.)
  - b. Transparency Data Dashboards (Instant reporting for stakeholders)
  - c. Dedicated Website: Enhance JSEB branding efforts to include a welcome landing page, customizable subpages for program details, user-friendly content management system (CMS) for easy updates, ADA compliance, and accessibility to social media links when applicable.

- 3. <u>Marketing</u>: Provide execution details of the JSEB marketing project with future directives and next steps. Greg Grant
  - a. JSEB exposure through Broadcast TV station WJXT Channel 4 Launched in June
  - b. JSEB Contractor exposure through Client Focus Media Launching in July.
  - c. JSEB Ambassador Program Guerrilla marketing launching in July
  - d. COJ JSEB Social Media Marketing Through Public Affairs
  - e. EBO Marketing LIT TV Network Launched in June
- 4. **Staffing**: Provide execution details of the JSEB staffing project with future directives and next steps. Greg Grant
  - a. The Successful approval of the bill 2024-0294 provided provisions to enhanced staff to accommodate the growing JSEB demand.
  - b. The MyJAX 630-CITY call center, has provided accommodations to assist with call volumes. Launched in June.
  - c. COJ City Volunteer Program We have recruited several volunteers to assist with the growing departmental needs of JSEB. launched in June
  - d. City Internship Program We currently have 4 interns hired to assist with the current workload and JSEB growing initiatives. launched in June
- 5. <u>Legislation</u>: Provide outcomes of the legislation amendments and present future legislation directives for consideration as new business.
  - a. Bonding Enhancement Program This will not change the provision of JSEBs not needing a bond if contracts are below 500K. (2024-0437)
  - b. Recertification benefits for amending recerts from 24 months to 36 months (2024-0437)
  - Graduation update Changing from 9 years to 15 years, up to JSEB Prime, retaining institutional JSEB knowledge within the program through mentorship initiatives. (2024-0437)
  - d. Future Consideration (Replacing the JSEB Monitoring Committee with City Council Presentation meetings to Rules or Finance) Sec 126.607
  - e. Future Consideration Data tracking changed from "dollar value of contracts awarded" to "dollar value of contract payments" for the 20% city goal. Sec. 126-607
  - f. Future Consideration Disparity Study not being conducted by EBO/JSEB due to managing a race and gender-neutral program. Consider placing this task to the JHRC. Sec. 126.612
  - g. Future Consideration Minimum Funding Program Requirement Sec.126-605 to increase by 200k to manage JSEB Entrepreneurship Education and Workforce Development Initiatives.

Discussion	Committee
Public Comments	
Closing Remarks	Chair, Raul Arias