## AL FERRARO

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My wife Amy and I raised our daughter Amanda in Jacksonville. After starting our small business in 1986, the citizens of District Two elected me in 2015 and gave me the opportunity to serve as their City Councilmember.

## CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

#### 2015-2022

## JACKSONVILLE WATERWAYS COMMISSION, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The Commission formulates an overall plan for dealing with any problems that exist in the St. John's River and Duval County tidal waters and devises methods of developing future uses of those waterways. I served as the Chair of the committee from 2019-2022 and Vice-Chair of the committee from 2017-2019

#### 2021-2022

## TRANSPORTATION ENERGY AND UITILITES, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The Committee considers all matters relating to roads and streets, mobility fees. Context sensitive streets, JEA (water, sewer operations, and septic tanks) Public works, and many other related matters. I served as the Chair of the committee from 2016-2019 and Vice-Chair of the committee from 2021-2022.

#### 2016-2022

## LAND USE AND ZONING COMMITTEE, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The Committee examines land use and zoning matters including but not limited to zoning, conservation, urban renewal, wetlands preservation, planning and development, the future land use map, Jacksonville's comprehensive plan, and all related issues.

## 2020-2021

## MILITARY/VETERANS AFFAIRS, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Funds various veterans' organizations and seeks to address the needs of those who served in our community.

#### 2022-2023; 2021-2022; 2019-2020; 2015-2016

## **DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

The Board reviews and makes decisions with respect to all applications for development and redevelopment within the Downtown Overlay Zone. I served as an Ex-Officio Non-Voting member.

#### 2018-2020

## **ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

The Directors look out for the interest of our community in preserving and showcasing our wildlife through the Jacksonville Zoo. I served as a liaison.

#### 2019-2020

## NORTH FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The North Florida TPO is the independent regional transportation planning agency for Clay, Duval, Nassau, and St. Johns Counties. It leads the regions efforts in planning, funding, and mobilizing resources to develop and maintain our transportation system.

#### 2017-2018; 2022-2023

## RULES COMMITTEE, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The Rules Committee addresses all matters relating to confirmation of nominations by the City Council, Mayor, and Sheriff. It also drafts various rules, regulations, etc.

#### 2017-2018

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SOLID WASTE, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The Committee was formed to address the waste disposal issues that arose in our community.

#### 2015-2016

## SPECIAL AD HOC COMMITTEE ON NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The Special Committee focused on our neighborhoods in Jacksonville and sought to address blight with responsible improvements.

#### 2015-2016; 2022-2023

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Focused on matters relating to parks; recreation, public housing, fish and game, the libraries, special events, etc. Served as a Member.

#### 2015-2016

## NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL, JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The Council is one of ten regional planning councils in the State of Florida and its mission is to celebrate the unique assets of Northeast Florida and to engage its people, business, governments, and organizations.

## NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## EL FARRO PARK, NORTHSIDE OF THE RIVERBANK JACKSONVILLE

Created this park which is dedicated as a memorial to the 33 merchant sailors who lost their lives.

## FREEDOM PARK, EAST ARLINGTON IN JACKSONVILLE

Established this park to both honor veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder and a memorial to the first land grant to freed slaves.

## SEVEN PARKS AND PRESERVES IN BLACK HAMMOCK ISLAND, JACKSONVILLE

Added over 243 acres of park lands into the Timucuan Preserve.

## **CEDER POINT OVERLAY, JACKSONVILLE**

Created this overlay which protects resiliency in the community.

## **AWARDS**

2017; 2020; 2022

**ELECTED OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR, NORTHSIDE BUSINESS LEADERS, INC.** 

2017

RECOGNITION FOR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE LIFE OF DISABLED CITIZENS, JACKSONVILLE COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

2017

**CONTRIBUTIONS AND EFFORTS AWARD, COSMO HISTORICAL PRESERVATION**ORGANIZATION

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

# **GRADUATE,** SANDALWOOD HIGHSCHOOL 1982 - PRESENT

## **ENTREPRENEUR, FERRARO LAWN SERVICE**

My wife and I founded our small business which has served the community for almost forty years.

## 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS, HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

A charitable organization meant to serve the community through volunteerism and giving to those in need.

## M.A.D. D.A.D.S., JACKSONVILLE

A non-profit organization working to employ impactful strategies to engage parents in the intervention and prevention of community problems.