

City of Jacksonville

117 W Duval St
Jacksonville, FL 32202



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

9:30 AM

Council Chambers 1st Floor, City Hall

Finance Committee

Ron Salem, Pharm. D., Chair

Danny Becton, Vice Chair

Michael Boylan

Matt Carlucci

Terrance Freeman

Reggie Gaffney

Ju'Coby Pittman

Legislative Assistant: Melodi Murray

Legislative Services Manager: Bernadette Smith

Council Auditor: Kim Taylor

Asst. Council Auditor: Phillip Peterson

Chief of Research: Jeff Clements

Chief Office of General Counsel: Paige Johnston

Administration: Rachel Zimmer

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Meeting Convened: 9:30 AM Meeting Adjourned: 10:45 AM

Attendance

Council Members Ron Salem (Chair), Danny Becton, Michael Boylan, Matt Carlucci, Terrance Freeman, Reggie Gaffney

Excused: Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman

Also: Council President Sam Newby; Paige Johnston – Office of General Counsel; Jeff Clements – Council Research Division; Bernadette Smith and Melodi Murray – Legislative Services Division; Kim Taylor, Phillip Peterson, Brian Parks – Council Auditor's Office; Stephanie Burch, Leeann Krieg and Rachel Zimmer – Mayor's Office; Joey Greive – Finance and Administration Department; John Pappas and Renee Hunter – Public Works Department; Kirk Wendland – Office of Economic Development

Council President Remarks

Council President Sam Newby thanked the Chair and the Finance Committee members for their good work during the first half of the council year, particularly during the budget hearings, and wished the committee a successful second half of the year.

Council Auditor Presentations

Council Auditor Kim Taylor discussed three recently released reports from her office:

- Report #852 - Budget Summary Fiscal Year 2021/22: The Auditor's Office's review of the proposed budget identified \$2,081,669 in additional revenue and \$1,310,799 in expenditure reductions for total positive impact of 3,392,468. The office also made a recommendation resulting in \$4,794,902 in avoided borrowing. The Finance Committee identified \$1,739,969 in net savings at the end of its review process, of which \$440,294 was allocated a Council President's Contingency Fund for future designation.
- Report #853 - Council Auditor's Office Annual Report Fiscal Year 2020/21: the Auditor's Office is made of up three branches – the legislative team, the audit team, and the special projects team. The audit team produced 5 performance audits, 3 attestations, and 16 follow-up reports on previous audits. The legislative team reviewed 533 bills pending before the council and identified over \$700,000 in savings. The special projects team issued 7 special reports and conducted numerous other projects and research. The Auditor's staff assists the City Finance Department and the JEA with their independent audits by contributing staff time, and devoted considerable time and effort to the Lot J and Shipyard proposed development projects during the year.
- Report #751B - Follow-up on Fire and Rescue Department Ambulance Billing and Inventory Audit: 2 of the original 16 issues identified remain unresolved, relating to surprise inventory counts needing to be done occasionally and following established departmental procedures.

Emergency Rental Assistance Program Update

Deputy CAO Stephanie Burch presented the following statistics:

Number and amount of households provided rental assistance: ERAP 1 – 3,808 (\$23,877,649) ; ERAP 2 – 1,103 (\$6,109,977)

Number and amount of households provided utility assistance: ERAP 1 – 2,170 (\$1,513,163) ; ERAP 2 – 9 (\$3,482)

Mortgage assistance: 713 (\$2,881,598)

Amount remaining to be allocated: ERAP 1 - \$300,000; ERAP 2 - \$21,700,000

Council Member Gaffney asked for statistics on how many applicants get turned down, don't qualify, or are otherwise unsuccessful in getting assistance. Ms. Burch said she will produce a report on that for the next meeting. She said often it's a matter of applications not being fully completed, so the number of non-approvals may look high but there are reasons for that. President Newby said that successful completion of the application requires participation by both the renter and the landlord, and some landlords are not cooperative, possibly because they prefer to see some tenants move out.

City Council Strategic Plan Discussion

Chairman Salem said he wants to have a discussion at the January 4, 2022 Finance meeting to assign dollar values to the first year strategic priorities so that they can be included in the mayor’s budget proposal. He wants to have the council members who proposed the 1-year priorities attend that meeting to discuss appropriate funding amounts. Deputy Managing General Counsel Peggy Sidman distributed and discussed a draft resolution to adopt the strategic plan for FY22-23 and said that dollar amounts will be attached to the 1-year, 3-year and 5-year priorities by separate legislation after the strategic plan resolution is adopted. CM Gaffney asked what could be done about honoring the wishes of the late Council Member Tommy Hazouri to get a swimming pool built at First Coast High School. Kim Taylor said that the council appropriated funds for that pool project in the current budget. After further discussion about the process, Chairman Salem clarified that the discussion of assigning dollar amounts to each of the identified priorities will take place when the second ordinance is filed after the initial resolution distributed today is adopted.

Item/File No. Title History

- 1. [2021-0788](#) ORD Amend Fiscal Yr 2018-2019 JTA Budget; Amend ORD 2018-504-E (The COJ Budget) by Amending the JTA Budget Revised Schedules O & P; an ORD Amending FY 2019-2020 JTA Budget; Amending ORD 2019-504-E (The COJ Budget) by Amending the JTA Budget Revised Schedules O & P. (Sidman) (Introduced by CP Newby at the Req of JTA)
 10/26/21 CO Introduced: TEU, F
 11/1/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/2/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/9/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:TEU, F
 12/6/21 TEU Approve 5-2 (CMs Cumber & Ferraro)
 12/7/21 F Approve 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-11/9/21

JTA CFO Greg Hayes explained the reallocation of funds from one category to another to balance the 2 previous budgets, which both ended the year expending less funds than budgeted. Chairman Salem urged JTA to process these budget amendments in a timelier manner shortly after the end of each fiscal year; Mr. Hayes agreed that would be done.

APPROVE 5-0

Aye: 5 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Freeman and Gaffney

Absent: 2 - Carlucci and Pittman

2. [2021-0816](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, For & On Behalf of the City, That Certain Purchase & Sale Agreement btwn the COJ & Cynthia M. Young, & all Closing & Other Docs. at 5565 Old Middleburg Road S (R.E.# 015223-0000), for Acquisition, at the Negotiated Purchase Price of \$330,000.00, to be Utilized as a Pond Site for the Old Middleburg Rd Proj; Oversight by the Real Estate Division of the Public Works Dept, & Oversight of the Property by the Engineering & Construction Management Division of Public Works Department thereafter. (District 12–White) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by the CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
 11/9/21 CO Introduced: TEU, F
 11/15/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/16/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/23/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:TEU,F
 12/6/21 TEU Approve 7-0
 12/7/21 F Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-11/23/21

Renee Hunter of the Real Estate Division briefly reviewed the purpose of the legislation.

APPROVE 6-0

Aye: 6 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman and Gaffney

Absent: 1 - Pittman

3. [2021-0817](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, For & On Behalf of the City, That Certain Lease Agreement btwn the COJ & the City & Police Federal Credit Union located at 501 E. Bay St, Jax, FL 32202 (R.E.# 073402-0000) Pursuant to Which Tenant will Lease Approx 1,237 Sq Ft of Space in the Police Memorial Bldg for Initial Term of Five (5) Years with Options to Renew for two (2) additional Consecutive Terms of five (5) Years Each, at Rental Rate of \$1.00 per year; Providing for Oversight by the Jax Sheriff's Office. (Dist 7 R. Gaffney) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
 11/9/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 11/15/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/16/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/23/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
 12/7/21 F Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-11/23/21

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APPROVE 6-0

4. [2021-0818](#) ORD Apv & Auth Mayor & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Amendment Four to Grant Agreement btwn the COJ & Clara White Mission, Inc. to Extend the Completion of Construction date from 12/31/21 to 6/30/22 & the Sales Commencement date from 1/31/22 to 7/31/22. (Sawyer)
 (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
 11/9/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 11/15/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/16/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/23/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 12/7/21 F Amend/Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-11/23/21

Assistant Council Auditor Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Kirk Wendland of the Office of Economic Development described the project and the request for the time extension. Chairman Salem asked if the recent changes to council member conflict of interest regulations would apply to this project, which was first approved in 2018. Assistant General Counsel Paige Johnston stated that since the project has been approved and underway for several years, the new conflict of interest procedures do not apply to this bill. At the request of Council Member Becton, Mr. Wendland reviewed the project's grant and the payments made to date. In response to a question from Council Member Boylan, Mr. Wendland said his office is relying on the project's contractor to estimate the amount of progress on the project and the likelihood of meeting the new completion date. He does know that work is actively underway at the site.

AMEND/APPROVE 6-0

Aye: 6 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman and Gaffney

Absent: 1 - Pittman

AMENDMENT

Attach revised Exhibit 1 to remove language regarding the pedestrian bridge

- **Extends the completion of construction date and sales commencement date by an additional six months each**

- 5. [2021-0819](#) ORD Approp \$5,763.60 From the Jax Kids Book Club Education Special Revenue Fund & Transfer Said Funds to the Board of Library Trustees Trust Fund for the Jax Public Library’s Story Journeys Literacy Enrichment Summer Prog. (B.T. 22-013) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Salem)
 11/9/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS,F
 11/15/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/16/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/23/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 12/7/21 F Amend/Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-11/23/21

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Library Director Tim Rogers answered a question from the Chair about how the books were originally published and described the Kids Book Club program for 4- and 5-year-olds.

AMEND/APPROVE 6-0

Aye: 6 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman and Gaffney

Absent: 1 - Pittman

AMENDMENT

Attach a Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to reflect the correct funding source

6. [2021-0822](#) ORD Appropriating \$400,000 from the Special Law Enforcement Trust Fun for the Mental Health Offender Trust Fund; Purpose of Appropriation; providing an effective date. (Sidman) (Introduced by CM Salem)
- 11/9/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS,F
 11/15/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/16/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/23/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 12/7/21 F Amend/Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-11/23/21

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Chairman Salem reviewed the history of the Mental Health Offender pilot project. Cindy Funkhouser, President and CEO of the Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, thanked the City Council for its support of this initiative to make coordinated, long-term changes in the treatment of persons with mental health issues through the joint efforts of many, many parties. She presented statistics showing the great success the pilot project has been showing in getting persons with mental illness housed, receiving income, and reductions in arrests. Ms. Funkhouser described several new funding sources that the project is tapping to expand the pilot project into a full-fledged service program. Council Member Boylan raised the issue of unintended consequences related to the Council's recent actions regarding funding of not-for-profit agencies and asked if that impacts on this appropriation. Paige Johnston stated that funding for mental health services is one of the areas with a specific exemption in the Procurement Code allowing for direct contracting, and this bill appropriates funds to a trust fund, not to a specific service provider. Chairman Salem noted that the Mental Health Center of Jacksonville has recently received funding to provide a trained mental health professional in each of the City's planning districts to help identify persons with mental health issues and get them into appropriate treatment. Council Member Carlucci said that providing services to the community's most vulnerable citizens should be government's top priority and he is very encouraged by what the current City Council has been doing in recent years.

AMEND/APPROVE 6-0

Aye: 6 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman and Gaffney

Absent: 1 - Pittman

NCSPHS AMENDMENT

1. **Revise appropriation amount to \$600,000 to include an additional \$200,000 from the General Fund – FIND Match contingency account**
2. **Correct scrivener's errors**
3. **Attach revised Exhibit 1 to correct account information and increase appropriation to \$600,000 on BT**

- 7. [2021-0823](#) ORD Appropriating \$60,000.00 from the Admin & Finance Dept, Office of the Director – Professional Svcs to Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C. for addnt'l Audit Svcs; Apv & Auth Execution of an Addendum to the Initial Engagement Ltr set forth in ORD 2020-299-E for the 9/30/20 Yr End Audit. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Salem)
 11/9/21 CO Introduced: F
 11/16/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/23/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:F
 12/7/21 F Amend/Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-11/23/21

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. CFO Joey Greive said the FY19-20 annual financial report has been submitted to the independent auditor for review and he has heard that they have found no serious issues. Full completion for submission of the audit to the state is anticipated by December 17th, ahead of the December 31st deadline.

AMEND/APPROVE 6-0

Aye: 6 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman and Gaffney

Absent: 1 - Pittman

AMENDMENT

- 1. Correct scrivener's error
- 2. Attach Revised Exhibit 3 to attach a revised Engagement Letter addendum

• Appropriates an additional \$60,000 from the Finance Department Office of Director professional services account for the fiscal year end 9/30/20 audit, for a total cost of \$380,000

8. [2021-0838](#) ORD re the Establishment of a Dependent Special Dist TBK as the “Baymeadows Community Improvement District” (“BCID”); Incorporating the Recitals; Providing that the Dist Shall be a Dependent Spec Dist Estab the Charter for the “Baymeadows Community Improvement District” (“BCID”), in Accordance with Sec 189.02, FL Statutes; Estab the BCID’s Purpose, Powers, Functions & Duties; Estab the BCID’s Geographic Boundaries; Recognizing the Authority to Create Special Dists & Auth the Creation of the BCID Spec Dist as the as the Best Alternative; Estab a Governing Body, Identifying the Leadership & Election Process; Identifying Additional Requirements re Financial Disclosure Obligations, Audit Obligations, Notice & Reporting Obligations; Providing Available Financing Methods; Recognizing that the Creation of the BCID Spec Dist is Consistent with the Comp Plan (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Becton)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21
Public Hearing Pursuant to F.S. Sec. 197.3632(3)(a)-1/11/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

9. [2021-0839](#) ORD Apv the Final Costs of Underground Utility Installation Improvemts for the S. End River Rd – NW End River Oaks Rd Neighborhood Assessment Program, Auth & Funded by Ord 2020-486-E; Incorporating the Recitals; Specifying the Unit of Measurement; Adopting the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll at Public Hearing, Pursuant to the Uniform Method of Collecting Non-Ad Valorem Special Assessments as Auth by Sec 197.3632, FL Statutes; Notice of Public Hearing Served to Affected Properties; Providing for Certification of the Assessment Roll & Directing the Council Sec to Cooperate with the Tax Collector & the Property Appraiser & JEA in the Certification of the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll; Directing the Council Sec, JEA & the Tax Collector to Record the Final Assessments in the Improvemnt Lien Book; Providing for Payment of Final Assessments & Liens; Implementing the Assessments & Directing the Tax Collector to Provide Notice of Assessment (Bowles) (Introduced by CM Cumber)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/6/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21
Public Hearing Pursuant to F.S. Sec. 197.3632(3)(a)-1/11/22

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10. [2021-0843](#) ORD Approp \$1,952,892.05 from the Foreclosure Registry (Including \$706,332.00 in Revenue Collected from the Foreclosure Registry & a Reallocation of Previously Approp Funds in the Amt of \$1,245,560.05) to Fund Various Programs & Activities Auth Pursuant to Chapt 179, Ord Code, Purpose of Approp; Auth Positions (B.T. 22-026)(R.C. 22-027) (Staffopoulos)(Introduced by CM Newby at Req of Mayor)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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11. [2021-0844](#) ORD Approp a \$25,000.00 Grant from FL Animal Friend, Inc., with no Local Match, to Provide Spay & Neuter Services to Stray & Resident-Owned Free Roaming Cats & Kittens in the Community, Purpose of Approp; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on behalf of the City, the Grant Award Agreemnt btwn the City & FL Animal Friend, Inc.; Providing Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept, Animal Care & Protective Svcs Div (B.T. 22-023) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Newby at Req of Mayor)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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12. [2021-0845](#) ORD Approp \$15,000.00 in Grant Funding from the FL Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (The "FWC") for Reimbursement of the City of Jax's Costs to Remove 1 Derelict Vessel Located in a Public Waterway in the City of Jax, Purpose of Approp; Providing for Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept, Environmental Quality Div (B.T. 22-022) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Newby at Req of Mayor)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/6/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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13. [2021-0846](#) ORD Approp \$376,846.00 in Grant Funding from the U.S. Dept of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Prog, to Fund Various Progs & Activities Aimed at Crime Control & Prevention, Improving the Criminal Justice System, & Improving Public Safety in Duval Co; Purpose of Approp; Providing for a Carryover of Funds into FY 2022-2023; Auth Positions; Providing for Oversight by the Finance & Admin Dept, Office of Grant & Contract Compliance (B.T. 22-016) (R.C. 22-005) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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14. [2021-0847](#) ORD Approp \$415,744.00 in Grant Funding from the U.S. Dept of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Prog, to Fund Various Progs & Activities Aimed at Crime Control & Prevention, Improving the Criminal Justice System, & Improving Public Safety in Duval Co; Purpose of Approp; Apving Positions & Part-Time Hrs; Providing for Oversight by the Finance & Admin Dept, Office of Grant & Contract Compliance(B.T. 22-015) (R.C. 22-006)(Staffopoulos)(Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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15. [2021-0848](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver that Certain Lease btwn the U.S.A. (U.S. Navy) & the City of Jax (The "Lease") for the City's Lease of Certain Real Propty & Improvmnts Located at 7000 Roosevelt Blvd, Jax, FI 32244, Commonly Known As Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park, for the Continued Operation & Maintenance of a Regional Park for the Benefit of the Public, for a 25 Year Term Commencing on the Effective Date of the Lease Through 2046, at a Rental Rate of \$100.00 Per Yr, with the Option to Pay a 1-time, Lump Sum Rental Amount of \$2500.00 for the Entirety of the Lease Term; Providing for Oversight by the Dept of Parks, Rec & Community Svcs(Staffopoulos)(Introduced by CM Newby at Req of Mayor)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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16. [2021-0849](#) ORD Approp \$500,000.00 (\$250,000 from Council President Contingency Expense Acct & \$250,000 from Contingency Find Match) for Funding to Edward Waters University to Provide a Community Wellness & Fitness Center; Providing for Carryover of Funds to FY 2022-2023; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Agreeemt with Edward Waters University, Inc; Invoking the Exception of Sec 126.107 (G) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations, Chapt 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Direct Contract Edward Waters University, Inc, for the Provision of Svcs Related to the Community Wellness & Fitness Center, as More Particularly Described Herein; Providing for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works (Sidman) (Introduced by CP Newby)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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17. [2021-0850](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver the 1st Amendment to Interlocal Agreeemt re Veterans' Suicide Prevention by & Among the City of Jax, Duval Co ("City"), & the Counties of Baker, Clay Nassau, & St. Johns ("Interlocal Agreement"), to Remove the City as the Admin for the Fire Watch Council of NE FL; Providing for Contingency (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Diamond)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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18. [2021-0851](#) ORD-MC re the Public Svc Grant Council; Amend Sec 80.104 (Organization & Proceedings), Chapt 80 (Public Svc Grant Council), Ord Code, to Amend the Quorum Requirements of the Public Service Grant Council; Amend Sec 118.301 (Expenditure of Appropriated Funds), Pt 3 (Admin of City Grants), Chapt 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Address Carryover of Residual Funds; Amend Sec 118.802 (Annual Lump Sum Appropriation for Public Svc Grants), 118.805 (Eligibility to Apply for Public Svc Grants), 118.806 (Application Requirements), Pt 8 (Public Svc Grants), Chapt 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for Carryover of Funds Appropriated to the Public Svc Grant Council from FY to FY & to Require Requesting Agencies to Provide Additional Financial Documentation & Information re Program Impact & Effectiveness; Providing for Codification Instructions (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Carlucci)
 11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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19. [2021-0854](#) RESO Making Certain Findings, Apv & Auth the Execution of an Economic Dev Agreement (“Agreement”) btwn the City of Jax (“City”) & Cenntro Auto Corp (“Company”), to Support the Creation of a new Electric Vehicle Manufacturing Facility to be Leased by the Company & Located at 2282 Lane Ave N Within the City (“Project”); Auth a 5-Yr Recapture Enhanced Value (REV) Grant of \$450,000; Apv & Auth the Execution of Documents by the Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp Sec; Auth Apv of Technical Amends by the Executive Dir of the Office of Economic Dev (“OED”); Providing for Oversight by the OED; Providing a Deadline for the Company to Execute the Agreement; Affirm the Project’s Compliance with the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2016-382-E, As Amended; Req 2-Reading passage Pursuant to Council Rule 3.305 (Sawyer) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
 11/23/21 CO Introduced: F, R
 12/7/21 F Approve 5-0
 12/7/21 R Approve 7-0

Kirk Wendland described the company and the manufacturing project. The company will be utilizing Jaxport to import parts and to export completed vehicles.

APPROVE 5-0

Aye: 5 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Freeman and Gaffney

Absent: 2 - Carlucci and Pittman

20. [2021-0855](#) ORD Declaring 9216 1st Ave, Jax, FL 32208 (R.E. #-036499-0000), btwn Soutel Dr. & Belvedere St., to be surplus to needs of the City; Auth Convey of subject parcel to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc., a FL not for profit corp, at no cost; Auth Mayor & Corp Secretary to execute a quitclaim deed & other convey docs; Waiving Sec. 122.425 (dispo by auction or sealed bid), Pt 4 (Real Prop), Chpt 122 (Public Prop), Ord Code, to allow donation to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc.; Providing a right of reentry for failure to use subject parcel for the operation of a wellness clinic and/or Comm Outreach Ctr; Prov for City Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Real Estate Div (Dist 8-Pittman)(Johnston) (Introduced by CMs Ferraro & Pittman)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: TEU, F, R
12/6/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

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Public Comment

Carnell Oliver said that he hopes the Jaguars will come back to the table with the Lot J project so that the City can invest in both physical infrastructure and human infrastructure to benefit the community. That project and others could be catalysts for real community improvements if the City negotiated extra investments from private developers who are getting City financial assistance for their projects.

John Nooney said he hoped that public participation would have been offered for several of the bills approved earlier in the meeting, particularly 2021-822 diverting FIND match dollars to other uses. There are no opportunities for the public to participate in the discussion of how FIND dollars are to be allocated. The public needs to have more opportunity to affect public policy in all areas.

**Council Auditor's Office
2021-854**

Date provided to Council Auditor – 11/18/21

Company Name – Cenntro Automotive Corporation

Project Location – 2282 Lane Ave. N

Incentives Provided – \$450,000 REV grant at 50% over 5 years

Number of Jobs to be Created –

- **34 new jobs created at an average salary of \$52,000**
 - o **15 by December 31, 2022**
 - o **19 by December 31, 2023**

Performance Schedule –

- **Commencement of improvements and purchase of TPP no later than February 28, 2022**
- **Completion of improvements, and purchase and installation of TPP no later than June 30, 2023**

Number of Jobs to be Retained – N/A

Capital Investment – \$25,000,000

Records Retention/Audit Clause – Yes

Clawback Language –

- **In the event reporting requirements are not met in the time period specified in the agreement, the City will be entitled to withhold disbursements of the REV grant**
- **If by December 31, 2023, the Company fails to create the number of new jobs with an average salary of \$52,000 listed below, the REV grant will be reduced by the corresponding amount:**
 - o **Fails to create 30 New Jobs – reduced proportionately**
 - o **Fails to create 25 New Jobs– REV grant is terminated and any amounts paid to the Developer will be repaid to the City**
- **If by June 30, 2023, the Company fails to invest the amounts listed below, the REV grant will be reduced by the corresponding amount:**
 - o **Fails to invest at least \$20,000,000 – reduced proportionately**
 - o **Fails to invest at least \$15,000,000 – REV grant is terminated and any amounts paid to the Developer will be repaid to the City**

ROI based on 10-year return – 3.27

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

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

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Rollcall

Present: 6 - Chair Ron Salem, Vice Chair Danny Becton, Council Member Michael Boylan, Council Member Matt Carlucci, Council Member Terrance Freeman and Council Member Reggie Gaffney

Excused: 1 - Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman

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