

# City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

**9:30 AM**

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

## **Finance Committee**

*Ron Salem, Pharm. D., Chair  
Terrance Freeman, Vice Chair*

*Raul Arias  
Rory Diamond  
Nick Howland  
Will Lahnen  
Ju'Coby Pittman*

*Legislative Assistant: Steven Libby  
Council Auditor's Office: Kim Taylor, Council Auditor  
Council Auditor's Office: Phillip Peterson, Asst. Council Auditor  
Council Research: Jeff Clements, Chief  
Office of General Counsel: Mary Staffopoulos, Deputy  
Administration: Scott Wilson*

**Meeting Convened: 9:30 AM****Meeting Adjourned: 11:32 AM**

**Present:** 7 - Chair Ron Salem, Vice Chair Terrance Freeman, Council Member Nick Howland, Council Member Raul Arias, Council Member Will Lahnen, Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman and Council Member Rory Diamond

**Attendance**

Council Member Chris Miller (2024-939); Merriane Lahmeur, Steven Libby – Legislative Services Division; Kim Taylor, Phillip Peterson, Heather Reber – Council Auditor's Office; Jeff Clements – Council Research Division; Mary Staffopoulos – Office of General Counsel; Scott Wilson, Mike Weinstein - Mayor's Office; Angela Moyer – Finance Department

Chairman Salem convened the meeting, and the attendees introduced themselves for the record. The Chairman reviewed the agenda, noting that there will be several presentations/discussions at the beginning of the meeting: Jacksonville International Airport Protobox hologram device; homelessness initiatives funding; City Council strategic priorities for FY25/26; external auditor contract discussion; and four Council Auditor reports and audit follow-ups.

**Public Comment**

John Nooney asked if inspections had been done on the FEMA properties being proposed to be acquired by ordinances 2024-927 and -928.

**Discussion on Proto Box hologram installed at JIA**

Council Auditor Kim Taylor said her office had questions about the funding for the installation of this device in the airport after a press release reported that the device was funded by the City's JaxEPICS building inspection system in the Planning Department. Discussions have been had with the mayor's office, but the questions have not yet been answered. She noted that there are state regulations about how building inspection funds can be spent, so that is a subject of interest. Purchase orders for \$75,000 have been posted to JaxEPICS but payments have not yet been made. Total cost includes hardware, software, and associated production services. Council Member Diamond said he is troubled by the length of time it is taking to get the Auditor's questions answered given the amendment he sponsored to the Ordinance Code to require responses to Council Auditor's questions within 48 hours.

Mike Weinstein, Mayor's Chief of Staff, said a new building permitting process has been in the works for several years under the name JaxEPICS. He acknowledged that there are state regulations on the use of building permit fees. Proto boxes with an interactive hologram were an element of the public information campaign on the JaxEPICS system to help people learn about the plan review and permitting system. The JIA installation is a trial of the hologram system and JaxEPICS funds were used for the hardware and software, which can be used in other locations. Council Member Diamond lamented the waste of funds on this use when the City has so many more pressing needs. Council Member Arias said the unit should be used for the purpose for which it is intended, providing instruction on the permitting system rather than greeting travelers at the airport. Chairman Salem said the Deegan administration is doing more self-promotion than other administrations have done in the past and this is a terrible use of the building inspection funds. Council Member Howland said if the unit is meant to be used for permitting system education, then it should be relocated from the airport and used for that purpose.

### **Homeless initiatives funding**

Chairman Salem said great progress is being made in dealing with the homelessness issue with the new program started in the fall of 2024. Fire Chief Keith Powers said there has been great success in the downtown area, all of the additional City-funded beds provided at the Trinity Rescue Mission have been filled; and another contract has been let to the Salvation Army for additional beds there. 93 people have taken advantage of the Homeward Bound program to get a paid bus ride back to their hometown. JFRD Capt. Jennifer Parramore said the homeless response team has had over 900 encounters with the homeless; 60 of those have accepted beds at Trinity Rescue Mission, and 93 have used Homeward Bound to go home. The last available shelter bed was filled yesterday morning so more are needed. Sheriff's Office Zone Commander Jimmy Ricks said JSO has issued 529 warnings and made 56 arrests so far for illegal camping on public property. They are working citywide and are coordinating with the 630-CITY complaint line to check on reports of homeless encampments. Some of the most problematic people have gone home through the Homeward Bound program or have gotten into service programs to meet their needs. JSO will be making some changes to the rules of the program to deal with problems that have been encountered.

Council Member Diamond said attendees at a recent meeting about homelessness at the Beaches were told that Jacksonville's program will not provide services at the Beaches, which is not what the Council was told when the bill creating the program was under consideration. The focus on downtown has driven homeless encampments to the Beaches and Beaches residents pay taxes that support a program from which they are not benefitting. A new interlocal agreement on the homelessness program is needed between the City and the Beaches. Chief Powers said the language of the program as adopted specifically excluded the Beaches from coverage. Mr. Diamond asked Scott Wilson of the Mayor's Office to find out if the administration is open to entering into an interlocal agreement with the Beaches and Baldwin for coverage by this program. Council Member Pittman said the homeless feel targeted to be removed from downtown and other areas where they have traditionally lived. She urged the development and funding of the programs needed to truly deal with the homeless problem citywide and not just do short-term, band-aid solutions in limited areas which only drive people elsewhere. Time and resources need to be invested for the long-term.

Council Member Arias recommended contracting for all the funded beds immediately rather than in phases and urged a comprehensive, citywide solution rather than ineffective partial efforts. Council Member Lahnen thanked Chief Powers for JFRD's quick responsiveness to his calls. He asked how the public can report issues directly rather than to council members' offices. Chief Powers said to call 630-CITY which will refer the information to the homelessness response team. Council Member Freeman said the City was in compliance with the new state homelessness law even before this new program was started so what has been done since has been done in the cause of compassion. He thinks the City has not sufficiently taken advantage of the knowledge and experience of the non-profits that have been dealing with homelessness for decades and urged that silos be broken down. Chairman Salem said the program was enacted because of the new state law regarding camping on public property and was not intended to be a comprehensive, countywide program. He said Capt. Parramore told him recently that 80% of the homeless that JFRD approaches are not from Jacksonville; the homeless see Jacksonville as a magnet because of the number of services available here for them. Mr. Salem asked for a report on the Beaches situation at the next meeting. Mr. Salem said the city's annual homeless count will take place in a couple of weeks and he thinks it should follow the same criteria as in years past for the sake of consistency. He urged that the organizers do not make any changes in the criteria as he has heard rumored to be under consideration.

### **City Council Strategic Priorities for FY25/26**

Mary Staffopoulos of the Office of General Counsel discussed a draft resolution and a draft list of possible "guardrails" for allocation of the funding to the Council's chosen priorities. The resolution calls on the Mayor to put the 0.5% of the General Fund budget (\$9.4M) required by the Ordinance Code into a Council Strategic Initiatives Contingency account for the Council to determine uses throughout the fiscal year. The guardrails could be included now, discussed at the budget hearings later in the year, or both. Council Member Pittman cautioned that many small non-profits don't have sufficient budgets to provide services with their own funds and then get paid back on a reimbursement basis by the City and asked for consideration of alternatives to assist those agencies. Council Member Freeman said providers that work on an academic year and school-related programs are at a disadvantage because of the fiscal year calendar and its relation to the grant cycle and said Code Chapter 118 may need to be amended to deal with their issues.

Motion (Arias/2nd Freeman): approve filing of the resolution as drafted and discuss addition of guardrails later in the year – approved by consensus of the committee without objection.

### **External auditor discussion**

Kim Taylor said Carr, Riggs and Ingram has undergone a corporate restructuring and therefore their audit contract needs to be revised to reflect that restructuring. CRI is at the end of its renewal options and work has started with the Procurement Division to develop and issue an RFP for the contract for the audit for next year. When the RFP hits the street then council members will be under a “cone of silence” regarding that contracting opportunity until scoring recommendations have been made. She asked for volunteers to serve on the RFP evaluation committee. Any company interested in providing audit services must be a registered vendor with the City. The Auditor’s Office has notified 15-20 local and national companies about the availability of this contracting opportunity.

### **Council Auditor Reports**

Report #886: Budget Summary Fiscal Year 2024/25: the report summarizes council’s action during the budget process.

Report #781C: Follow-Up on Animal Care and Protective Services Audit: all outstanding items were cleared, and the audit is closed.

Report #811B: Follow-Up on Mobility Fees Audit: all outstanding items were cleared, and the audit is closed.

Report #887: Quarterly Summary for the Twelve Months Ended September 30, 2024: Regarding the independent authorities, JEA has over \$100M of surplus and has an ordinance pending today to reduce debt by applying those surplus funds to pay-go capital in place of borrowing. Three of JTA’s operating divisions exceeded budgetary authority due to increased expenditures in excess of Council approved appropriation authority so a budget reconciliation amendment will be needed as in past year. JaxPort ended the year with a surplus of approximately \$11 million. JAA had a budget surplus of \$45.1M at year-end due to reduced expenditures caused by Concourse B construction project delays.

The Special Events Fund exceeded budgetary authority by \$33,000 and has a negative cash balance of \$180,000. The Building Inspection Fund is about to hit its state law cap on retained earnings. The Solid Waste Fund has a \$3.4M positive variance after an accounting situation was corrected.

The General Fund's favorable variance appears bigger than it really is because of project expenditures being delayed that will be carried forward and spent in future years – the variance is really \$43M, not \$107M. This means that of the \$71M planned to be appropriated from operating reserves, only \$28M was actually used, and all of these funds were transferred to the Emergency Reserves. As a result of the \$28M of operating reserves used (i.e. ultimately transferred to Emergency Reserves), this means that if no other adjustments are made to the financials, the available Operating Reserves would decrease from \$416M to \$388M. Of the \$43M favorable variance, Ms. Taylor pointed out that Council has approved \$27M in uses of Operating Reserves so far this year and another \$20M will likely be used that is related to economic development incentives that have been previously approved by City Council, but still need to be funded. Council Member Lahnen said the Operating Reserve has been gradually decreasing over the past two years. He also pointed out from the vacancy report that there are a lot of vacant positions and that as the Administration begins building the budget, he hopes that they are looking at these vacancies to determine what is truly needed. He also wants to know what the plan is to use the Building Inspection fund for approved purposes to reduce that balance to below the state-imposed cap.

**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.     [2024-0838](#)     ORD Approp \$100,000 from a Special Council Contingency to the Pre-Trial Operations Activity - Contractual Svcs Acct within JSO, to Procure the Professional Svcs of CGL Management Services, LLC, to Conduct a Population Study of the Duval County Jail as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions from Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with CGL Management Services, LLC; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Agrmt btwn the City & CGL Management Services, LLC, for the Provision of Svcs to Complete the Study; Prov for Oversight by JSO (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem)  
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
11/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
11/6/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

**DEFER**

3.     [2024-0886](#)     ORD Approp \$85,654.11, Including \$68,679.91 in Available Rev From the 1001 Kings Avenue - Ale Kings Holdings LLC - Forgivable Loans Acct & \$16,974.20 From the 1001 Kings Avenue - Ale Kings Holdings LLC - Loans Acct to the Downtown Preservation & Revitalization Prog DEDF - Loans Acct, All Within the Downtown Economic Dev Fund, for Future Projs (B.T. 25-021) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)  
11/12/24 CO Introduced: F  
11/19/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
11/26/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/26/24

**DEFER**

4. [2024-0927](#) ORD Approp \$146,630.20 in Grant Funding From FEMA Funded Thru the Hazard Mitigation Grant Prog, Thru the State of FL, Div of Emerg Mgmt (FDEM), to Fund the Acquisition of Propty Located at 4629 Wrico Dr, Jax, FL 32209 (RE # 040445-0000) & the Demolition of the Residential Structure Located Thereon; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, That Certain Federally-Funded Subaward & Grant Agrmt # H1110 btwn the City & FDEM; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Prov Funding for the Proj Entitled "Acquisition & Demo of a Floodprone Property - Wrico Drive"; Prov for Oversight by JFRD, Emerg Preparedness Div (B.T. 25-027) (Brown) (Req of Mayor)
- 11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU  
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

**AMENDMENT**

- 1. Reflect appropriation of \$34,912.50 required City match from the Reserve for Federal Programs account and grant amount of \$111,717.70**
- 2. Correct name of project in bill to include address of project**
- 3. Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (CIP) to correct project name and Council District**

- **Required 25% City match**
- **Property is located in Council District 10**
- **Upon completion of the project, the property will be converted to green space**



5.     [2024-0928](#)     ORD Approp \$153,226.18 in Grant Funding From FEMA Funded Thru the Hazard Mitigation Grant Prog, Thru the State of FL, Div of Emerg Mgmt (FDEM), to Fund the Acquisition of Propty Located at 4651 N Ken Knight Dr, Jax, FL 32209 (RE # 040259-0000) & the Demolition of the Residential Structure Located Thereon; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec, to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, That Certain Federally-Funded Subaward & Grant Agrmt # H1111 btwn the City & FDEM; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Prov Funding for the Proj Entitled “Acquisition & Demo of a Floodprone Property - Ken Knight Drive”; Prov for Oversight by JFRD, Emerg Preparedness Div (B.T. 25-026) (Brown) (Req of Mayor)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU  
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:**           7 -   Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

**AMENDMENT**

- 1. Reflect appropriation of \$36,487.50 required City match from the Reserve for Federal Programs account and grant amount of \$116,738.68**
- 2. Correct name of project in bill to include address of project**
- 3. Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (CIP) to correct project name and Council District**
- 4. Place Grant Agreement on file**

- Required 25% City match**
- Property is located in Council District 10**
- Upon completion of the project, the property will be converted to green space**

6.     [2024-0929](#)     ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a 2nd Amdt to the Subaward Agrmt btwn the City & Lutheran Services Florida, Inc. for Cops Community Policing Development Crisis Intervention Teams Prog, as Auth by 2022-27-E, to Extend the Term of the Agrmt to 8/31/25 (Wilson) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 F Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**APPROVE**

**Aye:**           7 -     Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

7.     [2024-0931](#)     ORD Approp \$50,000 from a Gen Fund Operating Special Council Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct to Prov City Grant Funding to HOPE Across the Globe, Inc (HATG) for the HOPE Mental Health & Behavioral Medicine Prog as Described Herein; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with HOPE Across the Globe, Inc; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to... (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray & Salem)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
12/2/24 NCSPHS & R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
1/6/25 R Approve 6-0  
1/7/25 F Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**APPROVE**

**Aye:**           6 -     Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen and Pittman

- **Council Strategic Initiatives funding**
- **Appropriates \$50,000 from the Special Council Contingency account to provide funding to HOPE Across the Globe, Inc.**
- **Funding will be used to pay for a portion of the salary of a Care Coordinator and for professional services from behavioral and mental health professionals for expansion of the HOPE Mental Health and Behavioral Medicine Program, which provides mental health and behavioral medicine services for Duval County residents suffering from HIV, AIDS, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, and sexually transmitted diseases/infections and those at risk of contracting these conditions**
- **The estimated total annual cost of the program is \$2,297,806**
- **Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) in order to allow for direct contract with HOPE Across the Globe, Inc.**

8.      [2024-0932](#)      ORD Approp \$38,091 from a Gen Fund Operating Special Council Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct to Prov City Grant Funding to Ben's Place Services for the Low-Cost Transitionary Day Prog as Described Herein; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with Ben's Place; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to... (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM White) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray & Salem)
- 11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
12/2/24 NCSPHS & R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 8-0  
1/6/25 R Approve 5-0  
1/7/25 F Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

#### **APPROVE**

**Aye:**                      6 -      Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen and Pittman

- **Council Strategic Initiatives funding**
- **Appropriates \$38,091 from the Special Council Contingency account to provide funding to Ben's Place Services Inc.**
- **Funding will be used to pay for a portion of the salary of a Social Skills Coordinator and for various office, craft, and other supplies for the Low-Cost Transitionary Day Program, which provides programming, including social and life skills, to adult Duval County students with disabilities who have timed out of high school and respite to their caregivers**
- **Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) in order to allow for direct contract with Ben's Places Services Inc.**

9. [2024-0933](#) ORD Approp \$152,362 from a Gen Fund Operating Special Council Contingency Acct to the General Fund Operating Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov City Grant Funding to Regional Food Bank of Northeast Florida, Inc. d/b/a Feeding Northeast Florida (FNEFL) for the Growing to Meet the Need Prog as Described Herein; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with FNEFL; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, Or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to... (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray) 11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
12/2/24 NCSPHS & R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
1/6/25 R Approve 5-0  
1/7/25 F Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**APPROVE**

**Aye:** 6 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen and Pittman

- **Council Strategic Initiatives funding**
- **Appropriates \$152,362 from the Special Council Contingency account to provide funding to the Regional Food Bank of Northeast Florida, Inc. d/b/a Feeding Northeast Florida (“FNEFL”)**
- **Funding will be used to pay for a maximum of 80% of the cost (not to exceed \$152,362) of facility improvements and equipment purchases at FNEFL’s new warehouse/operations facility located at 5245 Old Kings Rd.**
- **If City funds expended for real property improvements are greater than or equal to \$25,000, FNEFL will be required to enter into a restrictive covenant agreement with the City to ensure continued dedicated use of the improved facility/property for public purposes for a minimum of ten years**
- **\$1.2 million was previously appropriated through the FY 21/22 budget to FNEFL for a farmer’s market and resource center. Ord. 2024-769-E amended the agreement to allow the funding to be used for the replacement of the roof at the 5245 Old Kings Rd. facility and extend the term of the contract through 9/30/25**
- **Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) in order to allow for direct contract with the Regional Food Bank of Northeast Florida, Inc.**

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10.     [2024-0934](#)     ORD-MC Amend Sec 10.105 (Postage and Communication Expenses of Council Members), Ch 10 (Organization of the Council), Ord Code, to Increase the Monthly Cellular Phone Svc & Converged Data Device Svc Allowance for Council Members From \$100 to \$150 Per Month & To Prov That the Allowance for Each Council Member May Be Shared With Their Respective Executive Council Assistant at the Discretion of the Council Member; Approp \$22,405.80 From the Council Operating Contingency Acct to the Council Direct Expenditures Allowance, Communications - Council Acct to Prov Funds for the Increased Monthly Cellular Phone Svc & Converged Data Device Svc Allowance Auth Herein for FY 24-25; Prov for Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Johnson)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: R, F  
12/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 R Amend/Approve 5-0  
1/7/25 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

#### **AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:**             7 -     Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

Council Member Howland described the Rules Committee amendment from yesterday, which removed the increase in allowances from \$150 back to the current \$100 and reduces the overall appropriation accordingly. Phillip Peterson said the appropriation is needed to account for the fact that some council members who may have chosen not to take the allowance at budget time may choose to take it for their ECA. At Council Member Pittman's request, Mr. Peterson explained the opt-in/opt-out process for council member and ECA communication allowances. Mary Staffopoulos explained the requirements of the state's public records law regarding public records on phones, noting that a public record is required to be disclosed upon request regardless of whether it is on a City or a private phone or whether the phone's owner takes a communication allowance or not. Council Member Lahnen said he thinks the Council needs to be frugal with communication allowances, postage allowance and raises given projected future budget pressures. Ms. Pittman said that many constituents can only be reached by mail since council members don't have email addresses for them, so resources need to be available for that. Kim Taylor said each council district gets a postage allowance of \$1,000 and there is a \$36,000 postage fund for the Council President to distribute upon request.

**RULES AMENDMENT**

- 1. Clarify the purpose of the appropriation is to cover the monthly allowance for the office of each Council Member**
- 2. Remove increase of allowance to \$150**
- 3. Revise appropriation amount to \$12,500 (decrease of \$9,905.80) to include funding for 9 months**
- 4. Attach revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to reflect revised appropriation amount**

- **Funding source is the Council Operating Contingency account**
- **Amends Code Sec. 10.105 (Postage and communication expenses of Council members) to:**
  - **Increase the monthly allowance for cell phones and converged data devices from \$100 to \$150 for Council Members**
  - **Authorize each City Council Member, at his or her sole discretion, to share their monthly allowance with their respective Executive Council Assistant, subject to the \$150 monthly total maximum amount per Council Member office**
- **Appropriates \$22,405.80 from the Council Operating Contingency account to provide funds for an increase to the monthly allowance for cell phones and converged data devices (funding covers 10 months for all Council Members)**

- 11.     [2024-0936](#)     ORD Approp \$76,181 From a General Fund Operating Special Council Contingency Acct to the KHA Fund - Special Needs Essential Svcs Category - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov Funding to Isaiah 117 House Inc. for the Isaiah 117 House Duval County Prog as Described Herein; Amend the Revised Schedule M to Ord 2024-511-E; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions From Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With Isaiah 117 House for the Prog; Waiving the Requirements of Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ch 77 (Kids Hope Alliance), Ord Code, to Exempt the Svcs to Be Provided by Isaiah 117 House... (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Freeman) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)**
- 11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
 12/2/24 NCSPHS & R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
 1/6/25 R Approve 5-0  
 1/7/25 F Approve 7-0  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**APPROVE**

**Aye:**           7 -     Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

## Scrivener's

Pg. 2, line 1: insert "PROVIDING AN" before "EFFECTIVE"

- Council Strategic Initiatives funding
- Appropriates \$76,181 from the Special Council Contingency account to KHA to provide funding to Isaiah 117 House Inc.
- Funding will be used to construct an outdoor multi-use play area with lighting, seating, and a sunshade, at Isaiah 117 House's Duval County location which provides a home to children awaiting foster placement
- Amends Revised Schedule M to Ord. 2024-511-E to reflect the appropriation to Isaiah 117 House Inc.
- Waives the requirement in Sec. 77.111(a) that KHA provider contracts shall be competitively procured under Chapter 126, Ordinance Code, via an evaluated bid process in order to direct contract with Isaiah 117 House Inc.

12.     [2024-0938](#)     ORD Approp \$30,000 from a Contingency Acct Within the KHA Fund to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct to Prov Funding to Jacksonville Arts & Music School Inc. (JAMS) for the Artworks Initiative as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions from Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with JAMS for the Prog; Waiving the Requirements of Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ch 77 (KHA), Ord Code, to Exempt the Svcs to be Prov by JAMS from Competitive Procurement; Waiving the Age Requirements of Sec 77.105(e) (Definitions), Ch 77 (KHA), Ord Code, to Allow JAMS to Prov Svcs... (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Pittman) (Co-Sponsors CMs Johnson, Peluso & Clark-Murray)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
12/2/24 NCSPHS & R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
1/6/25 R Approve 5-0  
1/7/25 F Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**APPROVE**

Aye:           7 -     Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond



- **Council Budget Enhancement**

- **Appropriates \$30,000 from a designated contingency account to provide funding to Jacksonville Arts and Music School Inc. (JAMS)**
- **Funding will be used to expand the ArtWorks Initiative, which is a college and career exploration program targeting underserved students, with the goal of serving a minimum of ten additional students over the next year**
- **Waives the requirement in Sec. 77.111(a) that KHA provider contracts shall be competitively procured under Chapter 126, Ordinance Code, via an evaluated bid process in order to direct contract with JAMS**
- **Waives the age restriction in Sec. 77.105(e) in order to allow KHA to fund a program that provides services to high school and college students up to age 24**

13.     [2024-0939](#)     ORD Approp \$202,381 from a Gen Fund Operating Special Council Contingency Acct to the Auth Capital Proj - FY23 & Forward Fund - Veterans Memorial Wall Shade Structure Proj - Engineering & Design Acct To Prov Initial Funding for the Proj; Amend the 25-29 5-Year CIP Appvd by Ord 24-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Proj; Prov for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works & the Military & Veterans Affairs Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Miller) (Co-Sponsors CMs Lahnen, Johnson, Peluso, Clark-Murray, Howland, Arias, Salem, Freeman, Pittman & Diamond)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 F Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**APPROVE**

**Aye:**           7 -     Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

Council Members Howland, Salem, Arias, Freeman, Pittman, and Diamond asked to be added as co-sponsors.

- **Council Strategic Initiatives funding**

- **Appropriates initial funding for a shade structure at the Veterans Memorial Wall**



14. [2024-0941](#) ORD Approp \$76,181 From a General Fund Operating Special Council Contingency Acct to the KHA Fund - Special Needs Essential Svcs Category - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov Funding to Allofus Together Foundation Inc. for the Awareness for Autism Prog as Described Herein; Amend the 2nd Revised Schedule M to Ord 2024-511-E; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions From Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With Allofus Together for the Prog; Waiving the Requirements of Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ch 77 (KHA), Ord Code, to Exempt the Svcs to Be Provided by... (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Arias) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)  
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  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
1/6/25 R Approve 5-0  
1/7/25 F Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

#### APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

- **Council Strategic Initiatives funding (note: changed from the original proposed request for Treasure House, Inc.)**
- **Appropriates \$76,181 from the Special Council Contingency account to KHA to provide funding to Allofus Together Foundation Inc.**
- **Funding will be used to offset expenses for workshops, group sessions and events, resource materials and tool kits, and media and marketing for the Awareness for Autism Program, which provides support to children with autism spectrum disorder and their families by providing education, advocacy and community connection**
- **Amends Second Revised Schedule M to Ord. 2024-511-E to reflect the appropriation to Allofus Together Foundation Inc.**
- **Waives the requirement in Sec. 77.111(a) that KHA provider contracts shall be competitively procured under Chapter 126, Ordinance Code, via an evaluated bid process in order to direct contract with Allofus Together Foundation Inc.**

15. [2024-0943](#) ORD Approp \$3,000,000.00 in Grant Funding from the FDOT to Prov Funding for the Wigmore St Vehicle Overpass Proj; Apv & Auth the Mayor, Or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute the State-Funded Grant Agrmt btwn FDOT & the City; Amend the 24-25 5-Year CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Proj; Prov for Oversight by the Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div of the Dept of Public Works (B.T. 25-015) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU  
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 F Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 TEU Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**APPROVE**

Aye: 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

Scrivener's

Pg. 1, line 14, strike "2024-2025" and insert "2025-2029"

- No City match required
- Grant funding will provide for planning, design, construction and CEI of the overpass
- If determined to be constructed, the total cost is estimated to be around \$75 million for which the City would seek grant funding

16. [2024-0944](#) ORD Approp \$200,000.00 from the Grant Application Solution Proj to the Salesforce Public Sector Platform Implementation Proj Within the IT System Dev Fund for the Purpose of Adding a Grant Mgmt Module to the Salesforce Public Sector Platform Implementation Proj; Amend the 25-29 5-Year IT System Dev Plan Appvd by Ord 2024-507-E; Amend Ord 2024-504-E, the FY 24-25 Budget, to Replace Schedule A4; Prov For Oversight by the Technology Solutions Dept (B.T. 25-017) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: R, F  
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**

17. [2024-0945](#) ORD Approp \$3,586,000.00, from the Countywide Drainage System Rehab Proj to Various Projs Including: (1) \$1,000,000 to the Burnett Park Rd (DSR) - Capital Improvement Proj; (2) \$495,000 to the Sheridan St (DSR) - Capital Improvement Proj; (3) \$850,000 to the Ellis Rd (DSR) - Capital Improvement Proj; (4) \$973,000 to the Sedgemoore Dr Drainage Improvements Proj; (5) \$203,000 to the Newnan St Drainage Improvements Proj; (6) \$40,000 to the West Side Blvd (DSR) - Capital Improvement Proj; & (7) \$25,000 to the Davell Rd (DSR) - Capital Improvement Proj; Amend the 25-29 5-Year CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Proj (B.T. 25-023) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Peluso & Clark-Murray)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU  
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

#### **AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Council Member Diamond said it appears the administration is attempting to spend as much money as possible in downtown and adjacent neighborhoods via mid-year shifts of CIP funds. He wants to see a report on CIP spending by council district. Public Works Director Nina Sickler explained the process for ranking and selecting Drainage System Rehab projects for funding. Regarding the rest of the CIP, Ms. Sickler said there is a dashboard on the Public Works website that provides information on CIP projects and project values by district. She is happy to provide a report on CIP expenditures at the next committee meeting. Mr. Diamond advocated for a relatively equal distribution of CIP funds across the 14 districts. Council Member Howland said he objects to shifting dollars unneeded for one project to other projects, recommending that the CIP be reduced where possible when savings can be achieved. Council Members Freeman and Arias advocated for greater City Council control over the CIP funding and project prioritization. Ms. Sickler explained the work of the CIP Planning Committee made up of representatives from many departments who review and rank all the possible projects and recommend the list for the budget approval process. Mr. Lahnen said CIP borrowing has been growing exponentially in recent years, which is increasing the City's annual debt service costs. Council Member Pittman said it takes 5 or more years for many projects to come to fruition so that needs to be taken into account.

#### **AMENDMENT**

**Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (CIP) to correct prior year appropriations**

18. [2024-0948](#) ORD Amend the JEA FY 24-25 Budget; Amend Ord 2024-504-E (the COJ Budget Ord) by Amend Revised Schedule C (JEA Consolidated Operating Budget) & Schedule D (JEA Consolidated Capital Budget) to Approp Surplus Funds from FY 23-24 for the Electric System, Water & Wastewater System, & District Energy System, to Approp Add'l Funds from Rate Stabilization Funds for the Electric System & Water & Wastewater System to Increase the Transfers to Capital Outlay in the Operating Budget for Each System, & to Approp the Add'l Transfers from Capital Outlay in the Electric System, Water & Wastewater System, & District Energy System Capital Budgets to Reduce the Use of Debt Proceeds (Staffopoulos) (Req of JEA)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: F, TEU  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 TEU Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

- **JEA is proposing to appropriate surplus funds from FY 23/24 along with withdrawing funds from various rate stabilization funds while reducing debt proceeds as shown below:**

**Electric System:**

- **Amount of FY 23/24 surplus funds: \$61,419,684**
- **Increased withdrawal from Demand-Side Management Rate Stabilization Fund: \$837,039**
- **Increased withdrawal from Environmental – Rate Stabilization Fund: \$1,089,700**
- **Reduction of Debt Proceeds: \$63,346,423**

**Water System:**

- **Amount of FY 23/24 surplus funds: \$53,657,101**
- **Withdrawal from Environmental – Rate Stabilization Fund: \$76,186**
- **Reduction of Debt Proceeds: \$53,733,287**

**District Energy System:**

- **Amount of FY 23/24 surplus funds: \$337,042**
- **Reduction of Debt Proceeds: \$337,042**

19. [2024-0949](#) ORD Approp \$70,296 from a Gen Fund Operating Special Council Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov City Grant Funding to UNF for the UNF Military & Veterans Prog as Described Herein; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City a Grant Agrmt btwn the City & UNF for the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Lahnen) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Peluso, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Johnson, Howland, Freeman, Arias, Diamond & Pittman)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 8-0  
1/7/25 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

Council Members Diamond, Howland, Pittman, Freeman, and Arias asked to be added as co-sponsors.

**AMENDMENT**

**Include waiver of Section 118.503, Ordinance Code, to allow UNF to receive a City Grant while being on the City's Chapter 118 Non-Compliance List**

**COMMENT**

**University of North Florida is currently on the Chapter 118 Non-Compliance List for failing to provide the City with required reporting by 10/28/24 due to the timing of the State Auditor General annual audit**

- **Council Strategic Initiatives funding**
- **Appropriates \$70,296 from the Special Council Contingency account to provide funding to the University of North Florida**
- **Funding will be used to reimburse the University of North Florida for salaries and benefits, office expenses, marketing, space rent and capital purchases (golf cart, whiteboards and kitchen equipment) expensed in support of military and veteran students in achieving higher education**
- **Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) in order to allow for direct contract with the University of North Florida**

20. [2024-0951](#) ORD Approp \$1,834,456.47 from the COJ Proj Closure Activity Acct to the “Ortega Hills Secondary Ingress/Egress Proj” to Fund Land Acquisition & R/W Improvements to Create an Add’l Means of Ingress & Egress to the Ortega Hills Neighborhood in Council Dist 14; Apv & Auth the Mayor & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, the “Purchase & Sale Agrmt” btwn the City & Fennell IP, LLC, a FL LLC for the Purpose of Acquiring 1.94± Acres of Unimproved Real Propty & Perpetual Easement Rights Over 3.62± Acres of Adjacent Land for Stormwater Drainage for Use as the Site of the Connector Rd; Apv & Auth the Mayor & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, the “Ortega Hills Connector Rd Cost Disbursement Agrmt” btwn the City, Developer & Timuquana Commerce Center Owners Assoc, Inc., a FL Not for Profit Corp, to Auth Developer to Design, Construct, & Engineer the Connector Rd, with City to Reimburse Developer for Portions of Same; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds; Prov for Oversight by the Real Estate Div & by the Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div of the Public Works Dept (Wilson) (Introduced by CM Johnson) (Co-Sponsor CM Pittman)  
11/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU  
12/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
12/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
1/7/25 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/10/24

**AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Salem, Freeman, Howland, Arias, Lahnen, Pittman and Diamond

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Council Member Pittman asked to be added as a co-sponsor. Mr. Peterson explained the Council’s authority to reallocate project funds. He noted that since most CIP projects are largely funded through borrowing, projects coming in under budget represent an opportunity to borrow less rather than allocating that budget authority to other projects as Council Member Howland suggested.

**AMENDMENT**

- 1. Reflect that City Council is authorizing the disposition of real property (RE# 098404-0060) located at 7263 Golden Wings Rd**
- 2. Waive Section 122.422 (Determination of need; declaration that property is surplus to the needs of the public) to allow for City property to be conveyed to Timuquana Commerce Center Owners Association (TCCOA) in accordance with the Cost Disbursement Agreement**
- 3. Reflect that the Real Estate Division shall oversee the acquisition and disposition of the Property**
- 4. Correct Scrivener's**

- City to pay Developer \$1,044,000 to acquire land needed to complete the proposed roadway improvements**
- City to pay Developer up to a maximum of \$4,158,266.47 for construction of proposed roadway and stormwater improvements**
- City to convey 1.66 acre parcel purchased for \$275,000 to TCCOA for future retention pond**
- Project is intended to create a secondary source of ingress and egress into the Ortega Hills neighborhood along Roosevelt Blvd**

21.     [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**



22.     [2024-0984](#)     ORD Approp \$2,500,000.00 from the Mobility Fee - Zone 9 Proj to the Moncrief Rd Beautification (34th - 45th St) Proj to Fund Design & Construction Costs Related to the Proj; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Proj; Prov for Oversight by the Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div of the Dept of Public Works (B.T. 25-022) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

23.     [2024-0985](#)     ORD Approp \$50,000.00 in Grant Funds from the State of FL, Dept of State, Div of Historical Resources to Prov Funding for the Purpose of Protecting & Restoring Sunset Memorial Cemetery's African American Heritage & Historical Significance; Prov for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Mowing & Landscape Mgmt Div (B.T. 25-028) (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

24.     [2024-0986](#)     ORD Approp \$14,259,541.75 within the Downtown Economic Dev Fund Which Includes (1) \$84,275.85 in Available Rev from Interest Payments on Deferred Principal Loans from Various Projs to the Downtown Preservation & Revitalization Prog - DEDF - Loans Acct, & (2) \$14,175,265.90 of Prior Approps to Realign Prior Yrs Interfund - Transfer in Budget & Correct Rev Bal (B.T. 25-020) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: F  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**



25. [2024-0987](#) ORD Approp \$100,000 from a Gen Fund Operating Desig Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov City Grant Funding to United Way of Northeast Florida, Inc. (UWNEFL) for the Mission United Prog as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions from Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with UWNEFL for the Prog; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with UWNEFL; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City a Grant Agrmt btwn the City & UWNEFL for the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Howland)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

26. [2024-0988](#) ORD Approp \$15,000 From a Contingency Acct Within the KHA Fund to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct to Prov Funding to Knots 4 Kids, Inc. (K4K) for the Tailored Prog as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions From Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With K4K for the Prog; Waiving the Requirements of Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ch 77 (KHA), Ord Code, to Exempt the Svcs to Be Prov by K4K From Competitive Procurement; Waiving Sec 77.112 (Funding Restrictions on Food & Beverages), Ch 77 (KHA), Ord Code, to Allow More Than 2% of the City Funds Approp Herein to Be Expensed for Incidental Costs Related to the Prog Such as the Costs of Amusement, Awards, Social Activities, Meals & Beverages; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec, &/or the CEO of KHA to Execute & Deliver an Agrmt btwn the City or KHA & K4K For the Prog; Prov for Oversight by KHA (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico)  
12/10/24 Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

27.     [2024-0990](#)     ORD-MC Amend Sec 106.106 (Balanced Budget & Budget Stabilization Reserve), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 106 (Budget & Accounting Code), Ord Code, to Limit the Use of Operating or Emerg Reserves for Non-Recurring Expenditures to 1.25% of the Gen Fund/Gen Svcs Dist Proposed Budget & to Prov that the Use of Operating or Emerg Reserves for Non-Recurring Expenditures in Excess of 1.25% of the Gen Fund/Gen Svcs Dist Proposed Budget Shall Not Be Considered a Bal Budget; Amend Sec 106.203 (Contents), Subpt A (Budgets & Budget Ordinances; Millage Levy), Pt 2 (Budgets), Ch 106 (Budget & Accounting Code), Ord Code, to Delete Duplicative Language re What Constitutes a Bal Budget; Prov for Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Lahnen) (Co-Sponsor CM Howland)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: R, F  
1/6/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

28.     [2024-0991](#)     ORD Approp \$500,000, Originally Appvd through the Special Committee on Parks & Quality of Life for Improvements to the Atlantic Beach Gail Baker Community Center & Appropriated by Ord 2023-683-E, to Provide Funds for Improvements to the Atlantic Beach Marsh Oaks Community Center; Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute an Agrmt btwn the City of Jax & the City of Atlantic Beach Related to the Marsh Oaks Proj; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Delete the Proj Entitled "Parks QOL - Baker Center Improvements"; Prov for Oversight by the Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/6/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

29.     [2024-0992](#)     ORD-MC Amend Sec 129.101 (Pay Grades, Salaries Ranges, & Salaries), Ch 129 (Compensation of City Officials & Employees), Ord Code, to Remove the Requirement to Conduct Quadrennial Pay & Classification Studies; Prov Codification Instructions (Granat) (Req of Mayor)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: R, F  
1/6/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

30.     [2024-0993](#)     ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, an Amdt 1 to Economic Dev Agrmt btwn the City & Springfield MF Partners, LLC to Auth Payment of the 2nd & Final Tranche of the Completion Grant at the Earlier of 1 Yr from Substantial Completion of the Proj or at 60% Tenant Occupancy, & to Eliminate the Clawback of the Completion Grant in the Event of the Sale of the Proj Parcel (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: F  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/14/25

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

31.     [2024-0994](#)     ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver: (1) an Amended & Restated Landfill Gas Rights Agrmt btwn the City & Trail Ridge Energy, LLC (Producer); (2) a 1st Amdt to the Lease Agrmt btwn the City & Producer; (3) an Easement Agrmt btwn the City & Producer; & (4) a 1st Amdt to 3 Party Contract Among the City, Producer, & Trail Ridge Landfill, Inc., a Waste Mgmt Co; All for the Purpose of Prov for the Expansion of the Existing Cooperative Landfill Gas Recovery Installation at the Trail Ridge Landfill; Prov for Add'l Auth to Grant Propty Access & Use Rights to 3rd Parties as Necessary (Sawyer) (Introduced by CM White)  
12/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU  
1/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/7/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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**NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, January 22, 2025.**

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

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