

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

1:00 PM

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

Finance Committee

Raul Arias, Chair

Nick Howland, Vice Chair

Ron Salem

Rory Diamond

Joe Carlucci

Will Lahnen - Early Departure 2:53 p.m.

Ju'Coby Pittman - Late Arrival 1:02 p.m.

Legislative Assistant: Barbara Ireland Hobson

Council Auditor's Office: Brian Parks, Council Auditor

Council Auditor's Office: Phillip Peterson, Asst. Council Auditor

Council Research: Colleen Hampsey, Chief

Office of General Counsel: Mary Staffopoulos, Deputy

Administration: Brittany Norris

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Meeting Convened: 1:00 P.M.**Meeting Adjourned: 3:22 P.M.**

Present: 7 - Raul Arias, Nick Howland, Joe Carlucci, Rory Diamond, Will Lahnen, Ju'Coby Pittman and Ron Salem

Attendance:**CM Peluso: 2025-539****CM White: 2025-361**

• **Quarterly Single Source Presentation** - Dustin Freeman, Chief of Procurement, spoke about single source purchases. He said that this quarter, there were 18 single source purchase orders and 5 purchase order agreements.

• **Public Service Grant application system issues** - Maribel Figueroa, Chief of Grants and Contract Compliance, spoke about issues with the Public Service Grant application software referenced at a previous meeting. Ms. Figueroa said that there was a glitch wherein some text responses were misinterpreted in the system, and she said the problem was quickly identified and mitigated. As a result of the glitch, there were 8 appeals of which 5 were approved. CM Salem asked how many grant monitors are on staff and Ms. Figueroa said there are 5 who monitor contracts, conduct site visits, receive invoices and submit quarterly reports. CM Lahnen asked about Crimestoppers, who appealed their application but did not score high enough after the appeal was granted to receive a PSG award. CM Howland asked about the permissibility of organizations receiving PSG funds and other funds from the City, particularly through direct contracts. Ms. Staffopoulos, OGC, explained the waiver process for such. CM Arias said that organizations should not continuously receive PSG funds year after year. CM Diamond said that there should be a special committee to look at nonprofit spending by the City.

• **Council Auditor Kim Taylor to discuss Report #800C: Follow-up on City Wire Transfers Audit** Brian Parks, Auditor's Office, reviewed the follow-up report on wire transfers. He said that the responsible parties addressed our original audit issues without exception.

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. [2024-0966](#) 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

3. [2025-0361](#) ORD Concerning Retiree Adjustment Payments; Incorporating Recitals; Auth a Retired Employee Adjustment Payment to Retirees & Beneficiaries of the Correctional Officers, General Employees & Police & Fire Pension Funds of the City; Prov for Funding from Pension Liability Surtax; Requiring Certification of Eligibility by the Administrator of the General Employees' Pension Plan & Executive Director of the Police & Fire Pension Plan; Prov for Timing of Payments (Reingold) (Introduced by CM White) (Co-Sponsors CMs Johnson, Gay, Carlucci, Amaro, Gaffney, Jr., Carrico, Peluso & Pittman)
5/13/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
5/19/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
5/20/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
5/27/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 5/27/25

DEFER

4. [2025-0424](#) ORD Approp \$1,000,000.00 from the Riverfront Plaza Restaurant Proj - Contingency Acct to the Snyder Memorial Redev Incentive - Trust Fund Authorized Expenditures Acct, All Within the Downtown Northbank CRA Trust Fund, to Be Disbursed by the DIA Brd in Connection with Incentives Related to the Snyder Memorial Methodist Episcopal Bldg & Consistent with the DIA BID Plan (B.T. 25-092) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
6/10/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
6/16/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/17/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/24/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
7/14/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 6/24/25

DEFER

5. [2025-0539](#) ORD re the Establishment of the Five Points Dependent Special Dist in Accordance with Sec 189.02, F.S.; Incorporating Recitals; Adopt a Charter for the “Five Points Dependent Special District” for the Purpose of Improving the Five Points Area with Svcs, Including But Not Limited to Security, Landscaping & Promotion; Estab the Dependent Nature of the Dist; Estab the Purpose, Powers, Functions & Duties; Estab a Geographic Boundary for the Dist; Acknowledging the Authority to Create the Dependent Special Dist; Recognizing the Best Alternative; Estab a 5 Member Board of Supervisors with Alternates Appointed by the City Council; Prov Add’l Requirements; Identifying the Method of Financing; Recognizing the Consistency with the Comp Plan (Reingold) (Introduced by CM Peluso)
7/22/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
8/4/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/4/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/5/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/12/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 NCSPHS Amend(2x)/Approve 6-1(Salem)
10/20/25 R Amend(2x)/Approve 4-3(Freeman, Salem, Gay)
10/21/25 F Amend/Approve 6-1 (Diamond)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/12/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Lahnen, Pittman and Salem

Nay: 1 - Diamond

Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the NCSPHS amendments.

CM Peluso spoke on behalf of the bill. There was discussion about the amount of the assessment per property, the number of businesses who do not wish to participate, and the possibility of a sunset date.

Motion/2nd CM Arias floor amendment to the NCSPHS amendment to change the appointing authority for the board of supervisors to include Mayoral appointments, so the Council President will appoint 3 members and 2 alternates and the Mayor will appoint 2 members and 1 alternate. Approved unanimously.

The NCSPHS amendment as amended was approved unanimously.

Motion/2nd CM Diamond amendment to allow for an opt out option for affected property owners.

Motion/2nd CM Salem amendment to the Diamond amendment to remove 11 property owners from the district map from the onset and provide for an annual opt in or opt out period. Approved unanimously. Motion/2nd to approved the amendment as amended, approved unanimously. The amendments will be rolled together. Ms. Staffopoulos, OGC, said that a date for the annual opt in or opt out period will be added after consultation with the Tax Collector.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Correct language within Section 5 of the District Charter regarding services to be provided by the District.**
- 2. Strike reference to administrative duties within Section 6 of the District Charter.**
- 3. Include the legal name of the 5 Points Association.**
- 4. Clarify the assessment for buildings will be based on heated square footage.**
- 5. Clarify the assessment for parking lots will be based on GIS square footage.**
- 6. Clarify Supervisors will be appointed as follows: Council President will appoint 3 members and 2 alternates and the Mayor will appoint 2 members and 1 alternate**
- 7. Add an exemption for properties owned by or used as churches.**
- 8. Correct scrivener's errors.**
- 9. Include a provision authorizing property owners to "opt in" or "opt out" of the District as follows:**
 - a. Reflect the 11 property owners who objected to creation of the District are automatically opted out.**
 - b. Property owners may annually opt in or opt out of the District by a date certain working with the Tax Collector**
- 10. Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (District map) to reflect 11 parcels that are initially opted out**
- 11. Attach Revised Exhibit 3 (Parcel list) to include all parcels located within the District boundaries and remove duplicate parcels and to reflect 11 parcels that are initially opted out**
- 12. Revise the maximum annual increase to assessment from \$2.00 to \$1.00 per heated square foot for buildings and from \$1.00 to \$0.50 per GIS square foot for parking lots.**

6. [2025-0727](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, a 1st Amdt to Agrmt for Sale & Purchase btwn City & the Harbour Waterway Special Dist in Order to Extend the Time for Completion of the Dist's Performance Obligations from 3 Yrs to 6 Yrs, as Estabd in the Original Agrmt for Sale & Purchase; Prov for Continued Oversight by the Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs Dept (Wilson) (Introduced by CM Gay)
9/23/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/14/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/14/25

DEFER

7. [2025-0728](#) ORD Approp \$141,013.31 from the Bldg Inspection Fund (15104) to Fund Part-Time Hrs within the Bldg Inspection Div of the Public Works Dept; Apv & Auth Part-Time Hrs; Prov for City Oversight by the Bldg Inspection Div of the Public Works Dept (R.C. 25-166) (B.T. 25-124) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
9/23/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/14/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 NCSPHS Withdraw 7-0
10/21/25 F Withdraw 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/14/25

WITHDRAW

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Diamond, Pittman and Salem

8. [2025-0731](#) ORD re Ch 745 (Addressing & Street Naming Regulations), Ord Code; Renaming a Roadway Currently Identified as “Shipyards Place” to “Tower Court” in Council Dist 7; Directing the Chief of the LSD to Forward a Copy of this Ord, Once Enacted, to the Public Works Dept, Dev Svcs & Traffic Engineering Divs, for Processing & Coordination with 911 Emerg, the JFRD, the USPS, & Other Affected Agencies & Orgs (Pollock) (Introduced by CM Peluso)
9/23/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
10/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/14/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
10/21/25 TEU PH Amend/Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Amend/Approve 6-0
TEU PH Pursuant to Ch 745 Ord Code - 10/21/25
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/14/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Diamond, Pittman and Salem

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

Clarify that the second affected property owner is the City and that consent was provided by the DIA CEO

9. [2025-0738](#) ORD, Upon an Acknowledgement of Due Authorization & the Making of Findings, Apv the Issuance by the Capital Projects Finance Authority of Its Utility System Rev Bonds (First Coast Regional Utilities Project), in 1 or More Series, in an Aggregate Principal Amt Not to Exceed \$172,000,000, the Proceeds from the Sale of which will Be Used Principally to Finance & Refinance the Cost of Acquisition of Certain Utility System Improvements to Provide Svcs to “301 Villages” to Be Owned & Operated by First Coast Utilities, Inc.; Limited Appvls; Determining Credit Not Being Pledged; Acknowledging Receipt of the Indemnification Recipient of the Borrower; Apv & Auth the Execution & Delivery of an Interlocal Agrmt btwn the City & the Authority; Rescinding Ord 2025-193-E (Bryant, Miller, Olive, P.A.) (Req of the Capital Projects Finance Authority)
9/23/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
10/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/14/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
10/21/25 TEU Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/14/25

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Diamond, Pittman and Salem

Scrivener’s

Pg. 1, line 21, strike “RECIPIENT” and insert “CERTIFICATE”

- **Increases authorized issuance of bonds from \$47.5 million (2025-193-E) to \$172 million for the purpose of financing additional portions of the Project**

10. [2025-0739](#) ORD Approp \$3,000.00 from the Contributions from Private Sources Acct to the Other Professional Svcs Acct within the Art in Public Places Trust Fund to Provide Funding for the Maintenance of Artwork Located in Landon Park; Prov for Oversight by the Cultural Council of Greater Jax, Inc. (B.T. 25-123) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
9/23/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/14/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Amend/Approve 5-1 (Diamond)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/14/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Pittman and Salem

Nay: 1 - Diamond

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

1. Correct fiscal year of appropriation to 2025-2026

2. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct account information

11. [2025-0741](#) RESO, Upon an Acknowledgement of Due Authorization & the Making of Findings, Apv the Issuance by the JHFA of Its Homeowner Mortgage Rev Bonds, in One or More Series, in an Aggregate Face Amt Not to Exceed \$100,000,000 for the Purpose of Purchasing Mortgage Loans Originated by Participating Local Lending Institutions to Finance the Purchase or Rehab of New or Existing Owner-Occupied Residences Situated in Duval County, FL, or Purchasing Securities Guaranteed by the Federal Govt or Agencies Thereof or for the Purpose of Refunding Outstanding Bonds of the JHFA Previously Issued for Such Purpose; Auth the Submission of a Request for a Private Activity Bond Volume Cap Allocation; Determining Credit Not Being Pledged (Dillard) (Req of JHFA)
9/23/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/14/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Approve 6-0

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Diamond, Pittman and Salem

12. [2025-0742](#) RESO, Upon an Acknowledgement of Due Authorization & the Making of Findings, Apv the Issuance by the JHFA of Its Multifamily Housing Rev Bonds (Normandy Cove), Series 2025, in an Aggregate Principal Amt Not to Exceed \$29,000,000 for the Purpose of Financing All or a Portion of the Costs Related to the Acquisition & Construction of a Multifamily Residential Housing Facility for Persons or Families of Low, Middle or Moderate Income & Active Duty Military or Veterans, to Be Located 1,300± ft NW of the Intersection of Old Middleburg Rd N & Sheldon Dr, Jax, Duval County, FL, 32210, & to Be Commonly Known as “Normandy Cove”; Determining Credit Not Being Pledged (Dillard) (Req of JHFA)(Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
9/23/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/14/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Approve 6-0

APPROVE.

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Diamond, Pittman and Salem

- **Provides for the development of approximately 144 units of multifamily residential housing to be known as Normandy Cove in Council District 9**
- **Housing units to be set aside as follows:**
 - **66 units at or below 70% AMI**
 - **56 units at or below 60% AMI**
 - **22 units at or below 30% AMI**
- **JHFA is also providing Developer with a \$500,000 Gap Loan**

13. [2025-0749](#) ORD Concerning the 2025 Duval County Local Mitigation Strategy Update; Making Findings; Accepting & Adopting the 2025 Duval County Local Mitigation Strategy Update; Assigning Review, Maintenance, & Coordination Responsibilities; Prov for Periodic Review & Re-Adoption; Prov for City Oversight by the JFRD's Emergency Preparedness Div (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) 9/23/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/6/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/7/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/14/25 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Amend/Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/14/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Diamond, Pittman and Salem

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

Attach FEMA approval letter as new Exhibit and strike Working Group's authority to amend the Plan without Council approval

14. [2025-0766](#) ORD Auth Add'l Part-Time Hrs for the Proj Funded by the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant from the U.S. EPA & Appropd by 2023-839-E; Amend 2025-504-E, the FY 25-26 Budget Ord, to Replace Schedule B1a in Order to Auth an Increase in Part Time Hrs for the Grant Proj (R.C. 25-163) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

15. [2025-0767](#) ORD Approp \$292,610.25 in Grant Funds from the FDEP to Prov Funding for the Dev of the City Adaptation Plan; Prov for Oversight by the Office of Resiliency of the Planning & Dev Dept (B.T. 26-009) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

16. [2025-0768](#) ORD Approp \$100,000.00 in Grant Funds from the FDEP to Prov Funding for the Household Hazardous Waste Facility Proj; Amend the 26-30 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2025-505-E to Reflect This Approp of Funds; Prov for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div (B.T. 26-010) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

17. [2025-0769](#) ORD Approp \$171,364.00 in Supplemental Grant Funds from the FDOT to Prov Reimb to the City for the Funding of Construction & Construction Oversight of the Pedestrian Safety Improvements on Park St & Margaret St from Riverside Ave to the I-95 Ramps; Amend the 26-30 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2025-505-E to Reflect This Approp of Funds; Prov for Oversight by the Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div of the Public Works Dept (B.T. 26-007) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

18. [2025-0770](#) ORD Approp \$750,000 from a Desigd Contingency Acct to a Dues & Subscriptions Acct within the Citywide Municipal Dues & Affiliations Activity to Prov Funding for the City's Contribution to the Jax Regional Chamber of Commerce for FY 25-26; Req 1 Cycle Emerg Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Arias) (Co-Sponsor CM Lahnen)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Emergency/Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Emergency/Amend/Approve 5-1(Diamond)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

EMERGENCY/AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Pittman and Salem

Nay: 1 - Diamond

Mr. Peterson explained the emergency. Approved unanimously.

CM Howland asked whether the Jax Chamber reports on the spending of these funds. Mr. Peterson said that there is a reporting requirement. CM Diamond asked why the Chamber does not have to follow the same requirements as other entities that receive grant funds from the City, like submission of invoices and receipts for reimbursement. Mr. Peterson said that this funding is not a grant, but a fee for service. Motion/2nd Diamond floor amendment to add requirement for submission of receipts and invoices. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

Add a requirement that the Chamber submit invoices, receipts, and other documentation reflecting expenditure of City funds in addition to a summary report of activities supported by City funds.

- **A one cycle emergency has been requested as the Council desires to make the funds available as expeditiously as possible to ensure the Chamber can begin its important work for the City and the region**

19. [2025-0773](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, That Certain Sovereignty Submerged Lands Lease Renewal & Modification to Authd Uses & Special Lease Conds (Bot File # 160739059) btwn the City & the Brd of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of FL for Operation of a 153,185 sq ft Fee Waived Lease Area for an Overwater Riverwalk, Public Temporary Dock Mooring, Kayak Launch, & Water Taxi Stops & a 12,604 sq ft Rev Generating Lease Area for Mooring of Vessels, Including a Dinner Cruise Facility, in Conjunction with Upland Access to Public Areas & Parks for a Lease Term Exp on 1/17/29, with an Initial Annual Lease Fee of \$2,724.98 for the 12,604 sq ft Rev Generating Lease Area, Subj to Annual Adjustments to the Lease Fee Thereafter in Accordance with Rule 18-21.011, FL Admin Code; Prov for Oversight of Execution & Recording of the Lease by the Real Estate Div of the Dept of Public Works & Oversight of the Lease & Docking Facility by the Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs Dept Thereafter; Req 1 Cycle Emerg Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM J. Carlucci)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Emergency/Amend/Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

EMERGENCY/AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Diamond, Pittman and Salem

Mr. Peterson explained the emergency. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

1. Clarify purpose of lease modification
2. Pg. 2, line 23: strike “therefor” and insert “therefore”

• **A one cycle emergency has been requested because the dinner cruise operator cannot conduct business from the designated dock until the modified submerged land lease is executed**

20. [2025-0774](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, an Amdt to the FY 23-24 Article V Trust Fund Agrmt btwn the City & Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc., Originally Appvd & Authd by Ord 2023-504-E, to Extend the Term of the Agrmt to Exp on 12/31/24; Prov for Cont’d Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Boylan)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

21. [2025-0775](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 602.802 (Restricted Activities), Pt 8 (Lobbying), Ch 602 (Jacksonville Ethics Code), Ord Code, to Prohibit Certain Expenditures to the Mayor & Council Members; Prov for Codification Instructions (Reingold) (Introduced by CM Carlucci)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: R, F
10/20/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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22. [2025-0776](#) ORD Making Certain Findings, & Apv & Auth the Execution of an Economic Dev Agrmt btwn the City & Aventura Jax Propco, LLC, to Support the Construction of a Surf Park Facility & Related Improvements in Jax, FL; Auth a 10-Yr REV Grant Not to Exceed \$4,600,000; Apv & Auth the Execution of Docs by the Mayor, or Her Desig, & Corp Sec; Auth Appvl of Tech Amends by the Executive Director of the OED; Prov for Oversight by the OED; Prov a Deadline for the Company to Execute the Agrmt; Affirming the Proj's Compliance with the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2024-286-E, as Amended (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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23. [2025-0777](#) ORD Approp \$35,000 from the NW OED Fund - Contingency Acct, to the NW OED Fund - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct, for the Purpose of Providing a NWJEDF Business Infrastructure Grant to Main Street Food Park & Mini Golf, LLC to Fund Certain Infrastructure Improvements in Connection with the Renovation of an Existing Bldg & Construction of an 18-Hole Mini Golf Course on the Property Located at 2403 N Market St; Making Certain Findings, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, an Economic Dev Agrmt btwn the City & Company, to Support the Proj; Auth the Big Grant; Auth Appvl of Tech Amends by the Executive Director of the OED; Affirming the Proj's Compliance with the NWJEDF Guidelines Appvd & Adopted by Ord 2016-779-E, as Amended; Affirming the Proj's Compliance with the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2024-286-E, as Amended; Prov for City Oversight by the OED (B.T. 25-122) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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24. [2025-0778](#) ORD Approp \$50,000 from the NW OED Fund - Contingency Acct, to the NW OED Fund - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct, for the Purpose of Providing a NWJEDF Business Infrastructure Grant to Springfield Animal Hospital, LLC to Fund Certain Infrastructure Improvements in Connection with the Renovation of an Existing Bldg & Construction of a Dog Park Located at 1632 N Main St, Jax, FL; Making Certain Findings, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, an Economic Dev Agrmt btwn the City & Company, to Support the Proj; Auth the Big Grant; Auth Appvl of Tech Amends by the Executive Director of the OED; Affirming the Proj's Compliance with the NWJEDF Guidelines Appvd & Adopted by Ord 2016-779-E, as Amended; Affirming the Proj's Compliance with the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2024-286-E, as Amended; Prov for City Oversight by the OED (B.T. 25-121) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor) 10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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25. [2025-0779](#) ORD Approp Grant Funds in the Amt of \$730,000 from the FDLE for the JSO Real Time Crime Center Enhancement Proj as Described Herein; Prov for Oversight by JSO, Dept of Investigations & Homeland Security; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico) (Co-Sponsors CMs Miller, Amaro, Boylan, Gay, White, Clark-Murray & Diamond) 10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Emergency/Approve 7-0
10/21/25 F Emergency/Approve 6-0
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EMERGENCY/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Arias, Howland, Carlucci, Diamond, Pittman and Salem

Mr. Peterson explained the emergency. Approved unanimously.

CM Diamond asked about the locations of the cameras. Bill Clement, JSO, said the locations have not yet been identified. CM Diamond asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

- **Funding will be used to purchase and install approximately 200 new surveillance cameras**
- **Grant period ends June 30, 2026 and no City match is required**
- **A one cycle emergency has been requested because the cameras need to be purchased and installed within the grant term**

26. [2025-0780](#) ORD Approp \$48,000 from General Fund Operating Reserves to the EDED OED Special Initiatives - Equal Opportunity - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Make Funds Available for the Veteran's Entrepreneurial Grant Prog in FY 25-26 (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Lahnen) (Co-Sponsor CM Miller)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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27. [2025-0781](#) ORD Making Certain Findings & Approp \$15,000,000 from Council Contingency Accts to Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Accts (\$4,000,000) & Subsidies & Contributions to Other Govt Accts (\$11,000,000) to Prov City Funding for Various Progs & Capital Projs as Follows: (1) \$1,000,000 to Northeast Florida Builders Association, Inc. (NEFBA) for the NEFBA Workforce Dev Ctr, (2) \$2,675,000 to Edward Waters University, Inc. (EWU) for the Living, Learning, Community Ctr, (3) \$325,000 to Workforce Industrial Training, LLC (WIT) for the Operation Boost Initiative, (4) \$6,000,000 to the UNF for Capital Repairs & Upgrades to Hodges Stadium & Construction of Add'l Grass Practice Fields at the Facility, & (5) \$5,000,000 to FSCJ for Purchase of a Bldg at Cecil Commerce Ctr to House the FSCJ Training Institute; Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver Agrmts btwn the City & NEFBA, EWU, WIT, UNF, & FSCJ for the Respective Prog or Proj to Be Undertaken by Each Entity as More Particularly Described Herein; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process; Waiver & Disclosures), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for Direct Contracts with NEFBA & EWU (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Arias)(Co-Sponsor CM Miller)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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28. [2025-0783](#) ORD Making Certain Findings & Auth the City to Acquire by Propty Exchange That Certain 2.04± Acre Unimproved Parcel of Real Propty Located on West Bay St, Jax, FL 32202 (R.E. # 074888-0100) & Adjacent to the Prime F. Osborn II Convention Ctr in Council Dist 7 within the Northbank Downtown CRA, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, to Execute: (1) a Propty Exchange Agrmt by & Among the City, DIA, & VC Cathedral, LLC, Which Propty Exchange Agrmt Provs for the Acquisition of the Developer Parcel by the City, the Disposition to Developer of That Certain 2.40± Acre Parcel Located at 200 Lee St (Westernmost 2.40± Acre Portion of R.E. # 074896-0000) in Council Dist 7 within the Northbank Downtown CRA, & Requiring the Demolition of the Bldg Located Partially on the City Parcel & Partially on the Easternmost 1.23± Acre Portion of R.E. # 074896-0000 the Ownership of Which Will Be Retained by the City; (2) a Quitclaim Deed Conveying the City Parcel to Developer; & (3) a Temporary Construction Easement & Related Docs as Described in the Propty Exchange Agrmt; Auth Conveyance of the City Parcel to Developer; Prov for City Oversight of the Proj by the DIA; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Above Agrmts & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs (Dillard) (Req of DIA)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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29. [2025-0795](#) ORD-MC re the JSEB Prog; Amend Sec 126.607 (JSEB Monitoring Committee; Annual Program Review), Subpt B (Program Administration), Pt 6 (Jacksonville Small & Emerging Business Program), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Resolve Conflicting Language re Required Reports & to Allow for More Frequent Mtgs of the Monitoring Committee; Amend Sec 126.613 (Jacksonville Small & Emerging Businesses Certification Criteria), Subpt D (Program Eligibility, Procedures, & Other Requirements), Pt 6 (Jacksonville Small & Emerging Business Program), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Resolve Conflicting Language, to Codify Along-Standing Prog Practice That a Business Must Be in Existence for at Least 1 Yr to Qualify for Certification & Prov That the Aforementioned 1 Yr Requirement Be Retroactive to the Enactment Date of Ord 2021-117-E; Prov for Codification Instructions (MacGillis) (Introduced by CM Freeman)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
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Public Comment: Cheryl Croft, Natalie Worth, Matthew Clark, Ian Bassett, Dori Thompson, Carolyn Bassett, Debra Delor, Casey Roth - in support for 2025-539, and Carnell Oliver on 2025-781.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, November 4, 2025.

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

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