

City of Jacksonville

1st Floor - Council Chamber
117 W. Duval Street



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

9:30 AM

Council Chambers 1st Floor, City Hall

Jacksonville Waterways Commission

CM Al Ferraro, Chair
CM Michael Boylan, Vice Chair
CM Garrett Dennis
CM Matt Carlucci, Alternate
Jon Michael Barker
Robert Birtalan
Lane Burnett
Senator Audrey Gibson
Mark Devereaux
Andrew Fraden
Marc Hardesty
Richard Hartley
Jill D. Haskell
Raymond S. Pringle, Jr.
Marshall Adkison, Ex-Officio
Adam Hoyles, Ex-Officio

Barbara Ireland Hobson, Legislative Assistant
Felicia Fort, Legislative Assistant
Susan Grandin, Asst. General Counsel
Dr. Quinton White, Jacksonville University
Dr. Gerard Pinto, Jacksonville University
Richard Distel, Research Assistant

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Meeting Convened: 9:33 a.m. Meeting Adjourned: 12:35 p.m.

1. **Call To Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Presentation: U.S.S. Orlek - Jim Webb - Jacksonville Naval Museum**

Jim Webb gave a PowerPoint presentation which covered the restoration progress from December 2021 to June 2022 for the USS Orleck.

4. **ADA Waterways Status Report - Kara Tucker**

Kara Tucker, Chief of Disabled Services, gave an update which covered the upcoming events for the summer.

5. **Approval-Jacksonville Waterways Commission Minutes for Wednesday, May 11, 2022.**

Senator Gibson, Ms. Haskell, Mr. Barker, CM Boylan, CM Ferraro, Mr. Hartley, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Devereaux, Mr. Burnett, and Mr. Fraden voted to approve the minutes.

Hand Vote: 10-0

6. St. Johns River Status Report on Water Quality and Manatees - Dr. White & Dr. Pinto

Dr. White said it has been a hot and dry summer and there have been higher water temperatures than the average.

Dr. Pinto said there have been no manatee deaths since the last report and then he went over a map which detailed manatee sightings in Jacksonville.

7. Boat Compliance Study Report - Dr. White & Dr. Pinto

Deferred to the next meeting.

New Business

8. [2022-0337-E](#) ORD Transmitting to the State of FL's Various Agencies for Review, a Proposed Large-Scale Revision to the FLUM Series of the 2030 Comp Plan at 0 Phillips Hwy, 0 J. Turner Butler Blvd, 0 S. Hampton Ridge Blvd & 0 Grand St, btwn I-295 & the St. Johns Co Line – (6,174.21± Acres) – LDR, Subj to FLUE Site Specific Policies 4.4.11 & 4.4.12 to MU, Subj to FLUE Site Specific Policy 4.3.22 – Big Creek Timber, LLC - (R.E. #167748-0000, 167762-0010, 167900-0020, 167900-0030, 167900-0040, 167900-0050, 167900-0060, 167900-0070, 167900-0080, 167900-0090 & 167900-0100); Striking & Adding FLUE Site Specific Policies (Appl. # L-5673-22A) (Dist. 11 – Becton) (Fogarty) (LUZ) (JWC Apv) (PD & PC Apv)
5/10/22 CO Introduced: LUZ, JWC
5/17/22 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
5/24/22 CO Read 2nd & Rereferred: LUZ, JWC
6/14/22 CO PH Addnt'l 6/28/22
6/22/22 LUZ PH Approve 7-0
6/28/22 CO PH Approve 18-0
LUZ PH – 6/22/22
Public Hearing Pursuant to Sec 163.3187, F.S. & Chapt 650, Pt 4, Ord Code – 6/14/22 & 6/28/22

Ed Lukacovic, Planning Department, explained the legislation and presented a PowerPoint on the project. Paul Harden, representing the developer, explained the 20 year development improvements. Senator Gibson asked about the waterflow and drainage. Mr. Lukacovic explained that it is based on the Atlantic Ocean. Mr. Barker said that this was a lot of information to digest all at once. Mr. Harden talked about the planning that will span the next 20 years and that this is just the first step. Ms. Haskell asked about off-site mitigation. Mr. Harden said there will be very little impact of the wetlands.

Senator Gibson, Ms. Haskell, Mr. Barker, CM Boylan, CM Ferraro, Mr. Hartley, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Devereaux, Mr. Burnett, and Mr. Fraden voted yes.

Contact: Ed Lukacovic

Hand Vote: 10-0

9. [2022-0406-E](#) ORD Approv & Auth the Mayor & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, that Certain Sovereignty Submerged Lands Fee Waived Lease Renewal & Technical Modification to Reflect Current Survey btwn the COJ & the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of FL (the "Lease") for the Operation of a 1-Slip Commercial Docking Facility to be Used Exclusively for Mooring of a Tour Vessel in Conjunction with an Upland Public River Taxi Service in Ft. George Inlet for a Lease Term Exp on 12/22/24; 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, Rec & Comm Svcs Dept (BOT File No. 160344942) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor) (JWC Apv)
5/24/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
6/6/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/7/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/14/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer: NCSPHS, F, JWC
6/21/22 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
6/22/22 F Approve 6-0
6/28/22 CO Approve 17-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 6/14/22

Renee Hunter, Public Works, explained the legislation.

Senator Gibson, Ms. Haskell, Mr. Barker, CM Boylan, CM Ferraro, Mr. Hartley, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Devereaux, Mr. Burnett, and Mr. Fraden voted yes.

Contact: Renee Hunter

Hand Vote: 10-0

10. [2022-0409-E](#) ORD Approp Fund Balance from the Environmental Protection Fund (the "Fund") in the Amt of \$274,000.00 for Installation of a Nutrient Separating Baffle Box Pilot Proj by Central Pipe Rehab, LLC, to Treat Stormwater Prior to its Discharge into the St. Johns River (the "Project"); Prov for Carryover of Funds thru 9/30/24; Approv & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver an Agreement btwn the COJ & Central Pipe Rehab, LLC for the Proj; Invoking the Exception of 126.107(g) (Exemptions), Chapt 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Direct Contract with Central Pipe Rehab, LLC for the Project; Waiving Sec 110.112 (Advance of City Funds; Prohibition Against), Part 1 (the City Treasury), Chapt 110 (City Treasury), Ord Code, to Allow for Advance Payment by the City; Prov for Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept, Environmental Quality Div; Requiring Reports on Monitoring Activities (B. T. 22-073) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor) (JWC Apv)
5/24/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R, JWC
6/6/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/7/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/7/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/14/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R, JWC
6/21/22 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
6/21/22 TEU Approve 7-0
6/22/22 F Approve 6-0
6/22/22 R Approve 5-0
6/28/22 CO Approve 17-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 6/14/22

James Richardson, Environmental Protection Board, explained the legislation and detailed how a baffle box works. Mr. Devereaux asked about the success of the baffle box and if there are any in the city currently. Mr. Richardson said there are currently 20 bxs in the city, but those boxes don't have the same filtration system this one will have and he talked about the positive impacts they have had in Jacksonville. Mr. Richardson clarified that Public Works will be in charge of handling the maintenance. Mr. Hardesty stressed the need for up to date maintenance.

Senator Gibson, Ms. Haskell, Mr. Barker, CM Boylan, CM Ferraro, Mr. Hartley, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Devereaux, Mr. Burnett, and Mr. Fraden voted yes.

Contact: James Richardson

Hand Vote: 10-0

11. [2022-0463](#) ORD-MC Estab a Boating-Restricted Area in the Arlington River Around the Cesery and University Blvd Bridges; Amend Chapt 614 (Public Order and Safety), Sec 614.132 (Reg on Operations of Boats), Ord Code, to Estab the Boating-Restricted Area; Prov for Design and Implementation; Prov for Oversight. (Grandin) (Introduced by CM Ferraro)
6/14/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, JWC
6/21/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/21/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/28/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer: NCSPHS, TEU, JWC
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 6/28/22

CM Ferraro explained the legislation and the background its details. Susan Grandin, Office of General Counsel, explained the speed zone regulated through this legislation. Ms. Haskell said the boaters are against this legislation. Representatives from the boating community spoke against the legislation and then representatives from the rowing club spoke in favor of the safety needs in terms of having a speed zone. The legislation was deferred in order for both groups to have more time to discuss this issue and allow CM Morgan to be a part of the discussion since the regulated area is in her district.

Contact: Susan Grandin

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12. Discussion: Artificial Reef Committee

Contact: Lindsey Brock

13. Discussion: Volunteer Turn In Program (VTIP)

Captain Jim Suber explained the program and talked about his meeting with FWC regarding the program.

Contact:

Commissioner Jon Barker

Jim Suber, Waterways Coordinator

Old Business

14. Discussion: George Crady Bridge Fishing Pier Closing

Senator Gibson said that she will look into missing funds and follow up at the next meeting.

Contact: Senator Audrey Gibson

15. Discussion: Huguenot Park - Update on Huguenot Park Hours

Daryl Joseph, Parks Department, gave an update on the extension of park hours and said that the 30 minute extension has been a success.

Contact: Daryl Joseph

16. Discussion: Coal Ash Barge Bridgeport Incident Review Committee Update

Lindsey Brock gave a presentation detailing the findings of the Committee and what changes could be implemented. This covered the Coast Guards response and how information could more easily be accessible to the public. Mr. Hardesty said that markers that closely placed to the rocks would not make an impact in terms of safety. Senator Gibson asked about what penalties could be pursued when an accident like this happens.

Contact: Lindsey Brock

17. Discussion: Next scheduled meeting.

Public Comment

Adjournment

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Rollcall

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