



Agenda

Special Committee: **Jacksonville Small Emerging Business**

**Thursday, April 17th, 2025
9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.**

Committee Members
Council Member Raul Arias, Chair
Council Member Rahman Johnson
Council Member Ken Amaro

Purpose

This charge document establishes a **JSEB Special Committee** to review, advocate, and implement legislative reforms benefiting Jacksonville Small Emerging Businesses (JSEBs). This committee will focus on **legislative advocacy, educational equity, community engagement, capital access, and contracting opportunities.**

Public Comments

1. Introductions & Opening Comments

Chair, Raul Arias

2. Opening Comments and Discussion

**Chief of Entrepreneurial
Development, Gregory Grant**

3. Committee overview of initiatives covered already

- A. Increase Minimum Program Funding**
- B. Remove the Disparity Study Requirement**
- C. Refocus Reporting on Payments to JSEB Contractors**
- D. Expand Reciprocity Among Regional Counties**
- E. Expand the JSEB Prime Program**
- F. Centralized Database Sharing**

4. Initiatives left to discuss

- A. Increase Capital Access**

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A. Monitoring Committee Update and Discussion

Closing Remarks

Chair, Raul Arias