

City of Jacksonville

117 W Duval St
Jacksonville, FL 32202



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

9:30 AM

Council Chambers 1st Floor, City Hall

Finance Committee

Ron Salem, Pharm. D., Chair

Danny Becton, Vice Chair

Michael Boylan

Matt Carlucci

Terrance Freeman

Reggie Gaffney

Ju'Coby Pittman

Legislative Assistant: Melodi Murray

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Meeting Convened: 9:31 AM Meeting Adjourned: 10:44 AM

Council Auditor Presentation - Report #854: Independent Agency Quarterly Summary for the Twelve Months Ended September 30, 2021

Council Auditor Kim Taylor reviewed Report #854 - Independent Agency Quarterly Summary for the Twelve Months Ended September 30, 2021. She noted that the Auditor's Office has not yet received the City's quarterly summary, so no quarterly summaries of the City budget were produced for FY20-21 but a year-end report is expected shortly after the annual financial audit was completed in December. JEA has ended its fuel stabilization reserve process so the fuel charge on customer bills will vary on a monthly basis as the price of fuel for electricity generation rises and falls. JTA is experiencing no budgetary stress and will need to file a budget amendment to true-up spending in several categories that exceeded budget authorizations for FY20-21. The Council recently approved similar amendments for the two previous fiscal years. JPA is experiencing no budgetary stress and ended the year with an \$8.2M surplus for the year. JAA is experiencing no budgetary stress and ended the year with a \$28.8M surplus.

Emergency Rental Assistance Program Update

Deputy CAO Stephanie Burch said the ERAP 1 program is closed and final accounting may change the final figures only slightly. All activity is now taking place in ERAP 2. Number of households assisted with rent to date – 5,980. Amount paid for rental assistance to date - \$36,027,875. Number of households assisted with utilities – 2,456. Amount paid for utility assistance to date - \$1,679,453. Amount paid for mortgage assistance to date - \$2,937,916. Funds still available – \$15,600,000.

As requested at the last meeting, Ms. Burch reported that there were 13,525 non-completed applications for ERAP assistance. When applications are started but non-responsive for 30 days the City makes at least 3 attempts to contact the applicant to complete the application process. In addition to the 13,525 non-completed applications, 6,303 were denied for various reasons – duplicate applications, potential fraud, exceeded income limitation, no past-due rent/utilities, no COVID financial impact, etc. In response to a question from Council Member Pittman about whether applicants identified as submitting potentially fraudulent applications could reapply for assistance, Ms. Burch said they could and those applications will be carefully examined as other applications are.

Financial Report Update

CFO Joey Greive reported that the City sent the FY19-20 annual financial report to the Joint Legislative Auditing Committee in Tallahassee on December 31st as promised. His department is now working on closing out FY20-21 now and will have a quarterly report for the fourth quarter to Council in the near future.

Mr. Greive reported that the General Fund unallocated reserve is up from \$187M in FY20 to \$210M in FY21. COVID case counts and testing needs are increasing and the administration will be filing a bill tomorrow to allocate more General Fund resources to those needs in advance of getting additional federal funding. Kim Taylor said the Government Finance Officers Association recommends holding a minimum reserve equal to 2 months of expenses and the Ordinance Code has established a target for the Operating Reserve of equal to 5% of the operating budget. The City's various reserves are very healthy.

Attendance

Council Members Ron Salem (Chair), Danny Becton, Michael Boylan, Matt Carlucci, Terrance Freeman, Reginald Gaffney, Ju'Coby Pittman

Also: Council Members Sam Newby, Al Ferraro; Bernadette Smith and Melodi Murray – Legislative Services Division; Paige Johnston – Office of General Counsel; Eric Grantham – Information Support Services; Kim Taylor and Phillip Peterson – Council Auditor's Office; Brian Hughes, Stephanie Burch, Rachel Zimmer, Leeann Krieg – Mayor's Office; Joey Greive – Finance and Administration Department; Jeff Clements – Council Research Division; Bryan Mosier – Neighborhoods Department

Item/File No.	Title History
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1. [2021-0838](#) ORD re the Establishment of a Dependent Special Dist TBK as the “Baymeadows Community Improvement District” (“BCID”); Incorporating the Recitals; Providing that the Dist Shall be a Dependent Spec Dist Estab the Charter for the “Baymeadows Community Improvement District” (“BCID”), in Accordance with Sec 189.02, FL Statutes; Estab the BCID’s Purpose, Powers, Functions & Duties; Estab the BCID’s Geographic Boundaries; Recognizing the Authority to Create Special Dists & Auth the Creation of the BCID Spec Dist as the as the Best Alternative; Estab a Governing Body, Identifying the Leadership & Election Process; Identifying Additional Requirements re Financial Disclosure Obligations, Audit Obligations, Notice & Reporting Obligations; Providing Available Financing Methods; Recognizing that the Creation of the BCID Spec Dist is Consistent with the Comp Plan (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Becton))Exparte: CM Carlucci
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/14/21 PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS,F, R
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21
Public Hearing Pursuant to F.S. Sec. 197.3632(3)(a)-1/11/22

DEFER

2. [2021-0839](#) ORD Apv the Final Costs of Underground Utility Installation Improvemts for the S. End River Rd – NW End River Oaks Rd Neighborhood Assessment Program, Auth & Funded by Ord 2020-486-E; Incorporating the Recitals; Specifying the Unit of Measurement; Adopting the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll at Public Hearing, Pursuant to the Uniform Method of Collecting Non-Ad Valorem Special Assessments as Auth by Sec 197.3632, FL Statutes; Notice of Public Hearing Served to Affected Properties; Providing for Certification of the Assessment Roll & Directing the Council Sec to Cooperate with the Tax Collector & the Property Appraiser & JEA in the Certification of the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll; Directing the Council Sec, JEA & the Tax Collector to Record the Final Assessments in the Improvemnt Lien Book; Providing for Payment of Final Assessments & Liens; Implementing the Assessments & Directing the Tax Collector to Provide Notice of Assessment (Bowles) (Introduced by CM Cumber)
 11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/6/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/14/21 PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS,TEU,F
 1/3/22 NCSPHS Approve 5-0
 1/3/22 TEU Approve 7-0
 1/3/22 F Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21
 Public Hearing Pursuant to F.S. Sec. 197.3632(3)(a)-1/11/22

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

- **The assessment can be paid in a lump sum payment of \$7,252.52 or a 20-year annual assessment of \$543.55**

3. [2021-0843](#) ORD Approp \$1,952,892.05 from the Foreclosure Registry (Including \$706,332.00 in Revenue Collected from the Foreclosure Registry & a Reallocation of Previously Approp Funds in the Amt of \$1,245,560.05) to Fund Various Programs & Activities Auth Pursuant to Chapt 179, Ord Code, Purpose of Approp; Auth Positions (B.T. 22-026)(R.C. 22-027) (Staffopoulos)(Introduced by CM Newby at Req of Mayor)
 11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

DEFER

4. [2021-0844](#) ORD Approp a \$25,000.00 Grant from FL Animal Friend, Inc., with no Local Match, to Provide Spay & Neuter Services to Stray & Resident-Owned Free Roaming Cats & Kittens in the Community, Purpose of Approp; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on behalf of the City, the Grant Award Agreemnt btwn the City & FL Animal Friend, Inc.; Providing Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept, Animal Care & Protective Svcs Div (B.T. 22-023) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Newby at Req of Mayor)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
1/3/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
1/3/22 F Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

5. [2021-0845](#) ORD Approp \$15,000.00 in Grant Funding from the FL Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (The "FWC") for Reimbursement of the City of Jax's Costs to Remove 1 Derelict Vessel Located in a Public Waterway in the City of Jax, Purpose of Approp; Providing for Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept, Environmental Quality Div (B.T. 22-022) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Newby at Req of Mayor) (JWC Apv)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/6/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, TEU, F
1/3/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
1/3/22 TEU Approve 7-0
1/4/22 F Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

6. [2021-0846](#) ORD Approp \$376,846.00 in Grant Funding from the U.S. Dept of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Prog, to Fund Various Progs & Activities Aimed at Crime Control & Prevention, Improving the Criminal Justice System, & Improving Public Safety in Duval Co; Purpose of Approp; Providing for a Carryover of Funds into FY 2022-2023; Auth Positions; Providing for Oversight by the Finance & Admin Dept, Office of Grant & Contract Compliance (B.T. 22-016) (R.C. 22-005) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM R. Gaffney)
 11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
 1/3/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
 1/4/22 F Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

Council Member Boylan asked about reporting requirements for this grant. Kendra Mervin of the Finance and Administration Department said that her office processes the reports for the federal government. CM Freeman noted that homicides were down by 53 from 2020 to 2021 so it appears that some progress is being made on the crime front. He wants to be directly involved with the Cure Violence and DAWN programs and see how they are operating. Chairman Salem asked for a presentation to the Finance Committee at a future meeting; that will be scheduled for February 14th. CM Gaffney asked to be added as a co-sponsor

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

7. [2021-0847](#) ORD Approp \$415,744.00 in Grant Funding from the U.S. Dept of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Prog, to Fund Various Progs & Activities Aimed at Crime Control & Prevention, Improving the Criminal Justice System, & Improving Public Safety in Duval Co; Purpose of Approp; Apving Positions & Part-Time Hrs; Providing for Oversight by the Finance & Admin Dept, Office of Grant & Contract Compliance(B.T. 22-015) (R.C. 22-006)(Staffopoulos)(Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
 11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
 1/3/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
 1/4/22 F Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

8. [2021-0848](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver that Certain Lease btwn the U.S.A. (U.S. Navy) & the City of Jax (The "Lease") for the City's Lease of Certain Real Propty & Improvmnts Located at 7000 Roosevelt Blvd, Jax, Fl 32244, Commonly Known As Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park, for the Continued Operation & Maintenance of a Regional Park for the Benefit of the Public, for a 25 Year Term Commencing on the Effective Date of the Lease Through 2046, at a Rental Rate of \$100.00 Per Yr, with the Option to Pay a 1-time, Lump Sum Rental Amount of \$2500.00 for the Entirety of the Lease Term; Providing for Oversight by the Dept of Parks, Rec & Community Svcs(Staffopoulos)(Introduced by CM Newby at Req of Mayor)
- 11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
1/3/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
1/4/22 F Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

9. [2021-0849](#) ORD Approp \$500,000.00 (\$250,000 from Council President Contingency Expense Acct & \$250,000 from Contingency Find Match) for Funding to Edward Waters University to Provide a Community Wellness & Fitness Center; Providing for Carryover of Funds to FY 2022-2023; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Agreeemt with Edward Waters University, Inc; Invoking the Exception of Sec 126.107 (G) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations, Chapt 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Direct Contract Edward Waters University, Inc, for the Provision of Svcs Related to the Community Wellness & Fitness Center, as More Particularly Described Herein; Providing for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works (Sidman) (Introduced by CP Newby) (Co-Sponsors CM Carrico, Morgan, R. Gaffney, Pittman, Salem & Freeman)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS,F, R
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F, R
1/3/22 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
1/4/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
1/4/22 R Amend/Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. CMs Gaffney, Pittman, Salem and Freeman asked to be added as co-sponsors. CM Pittman asked about maintenance of the equipment; Mr. Peterson said the agreement makes EWU responsible for maintenance. Chairman Salem noted that no fees are to be charged for use of the facility for 5 years; any fee imposed thereafter must be approved by the City. President Newby advocated for the bill because of the lack of health and fitness resources in that area of the city. Infant mortality is disturbingly high in that area as well.

Randolph Mitchell of EWU described the university's commitment to supporting the surrounding community in the areas of health and wellness promotion, food distribution, education, etc.

CM Carlucci expressed support for EWU but had reservations about allocating funds intended for Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) grant match to non-waterway purposes. He will be exploring options for how to preserve funds for waterway needs. Mr. Greive explained the use of the FIND grant General Fund grant match reserves for other purposes when one of the City's five FIND applications was not approved by the district. That project is expected to be resubmitted to FIND and hopefully funded in the next budget cycle. CM Boylan recommended the EWU contact Angela Strain at Jax Care Connect to help leverage their efforts to improve community health by connecting existing efforts already underway. He also suggested that EWU might submit a Public Service Grant application to help pay future costs of the fitness center as a community health initiative. CM Pittman noted that the new center will be located in the former James Weldon Johnson School on the EWU campus which, along with the Schell-Sweet Center, will make EWU a one-stop-shop for health and wellness in the New Town area. CM Carlucci again advocated for always having funding ready and waiting for waterways-related matching grant opportunities, particularly with the creation of the position of Chief Resiliency Officer which will likely generate additional grant applications.

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

AMENDMENT

1. Correct scrivener's errors
2. Include waiver of Sec. 118.107 to allow direct contract with EWU
3. Include waiver of Sec. 118.201(f)(7) to allow advance payments in excess of 10%
4. Include authorization to execute a joint use agreement and attach joint use agreement as a new exhibit
5. Attach funding agreement as new exhibit
6. Attached revised Exhibit 1 to correct account information on BT
7. Attach revised Exhibit 2 to correct scrivener's error on project budget

- The City funds will be used to pay for construction/renovation (\$334,000), fitness equipment (\$130,600), and overhead/profit (\$35,400)
- The joint use agreement will provide for public access a minimum of 20 hours per week Monday – Friday from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- The joint use agreement will be in effect until terminated by the City

10. [2021-0850](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver the 1st Amendment to Interlocal Agreement re Veterans' Suicide Prevention by & Among the City of Jax, Duval Co ("City"), & the Counties of Baker, Clay Nassau, & St. Johns ("Interlocal Agreement"), to Remove the City as the Admin for the Fire Watch Council of NE FL; Providing for Contingency (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Diamond)
11/23/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
12/6/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

DEFER

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

The bill was deferred. CM Carlucci explained his rationale for filing the bill and said he is still working on some details, including a minimum floor for PSG funding to return it to a level equivalent to the City's commitment to the program in the early 2000s. Many agencies with very commendable programs score highly on their PSG applications, but there is insufficient funding to meet all the needs. CM Boylan advocated for a noticed council member meeting to discuss the details and said that there is insufficient awareness of the value of these non-profits and the great work they do.

DEFER

12. [2021-0855](#) ORD Declaring 9216 1st Ave, Jax, FL 32208 (R.E. #-036499-0000), btwn Soutel Dr. & Belvedere St., to be surplus to needs of the City; Auth Convey of subject parcel to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc., a FL not for profit corp, at no cost; Auth Mayor & Corp Secretary to execute a quitclaim deed & other convey docs; Waiving Sec. 122.425 (dispo by auction or sealed bid), Pt 4 (Real Prop), Chpt 122 (Public Prop), Ord Code, to allow donation to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc.; Providing a right of reentry for failure to use subject parcel for the operation of a wellness clinic and/or Comm Outreach Ctr; Prov for City Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Real Estate Div (Dist 8-Pittman)(Johnston) (Introduced by CMs Ferraro & Pittman) (Co-Sponsor CM R. Gaffney)
 11/23/21 CO Introduced: TEU, F, R
 12/6/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:TEU, F, R
 1/3/22 TEU Amend/Approve 6-1 (CM Cumber)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

DEFER

TEU AMENDMENT

1. Include a waiver of Code Sec. 122.423 allowing the property to be conveyed to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc. instead of being disposed of through the affordable housing disposition process
2. Strike waiver of Sec. 122.425
3. Include provision allowing a release of the use restrictions after 5 years subject to payment of \$30,762 to the City

CONCERN

There are outstanding nuisance and demolition liens totaling \$8,771.38 on three parcels owned by Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc. Additionally, one parcel owned by Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc. has an outstanding tax certificate for 2020 taxes totaling \$827.69.

13. [2021-0883](#) ORD Approp Grant Funds in the Amt of \$4,300.000 From the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation (“NFWF”) for the McCoy’s Creek Restoration Proj (The “Project”), Purpose of Approp; Amend the 2022-2026 5-Yr CIP Apvd by Ord 2021-505-E to Reflect NFWF Grant Funding for the Proj; Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, the NFWF Grant Agreemt btwn the COJ & NFWF: Prov for City Oversight by the Public Works Dept, Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div (B.T. 22-018) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Newby by Req of Mayor)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
1/3/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/3/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 1/11/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

14. [2021-0884](#) ORD Transfer \$1,300,000.00 From the Debt Mgmt Fund to the Bit Fishweir Creek – Ecosystem Proj (The “Project”) to Pay Increased Costs for Completion the Proj; Purpose of Approp; Amend the 2022-2026 5-Yr CIP Apvd by Ord 2021-505-E to Reflect this Transfer of Funds to the Proj; Prov for City Oversight by the Public Works Dept, Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div (B.T. 22-030) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
1/3/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/3/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 1/11/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

15. [2021-0885](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Sec to Pursue or Seek Waiver of Collection of the Local Option Gas Tax Within the 2021-2022 Budget Yr Consistent with a Period of Time to Align with the State Suspension of the State Gas Tax Collection Should the State Allow for Waiver of the Prov of Sec 336.025 & 336.021, FL Statutes, so that Local Govts Have the Ability to Suspend Collection of Local Option Gas Taxes; Offering Findings & Statemnts of Fact; Directing Legislative Services Div to Forward to the FL Legislature, the Duval Legislative Delegation, & the FL Dept of Revenue (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
1/3/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/3/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 1/11/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

16. [2021-0886](#) ORD Apv the Settlement of Potential Claims by & btwn the COJ & VRL Architects, Inc.,M.V. Cummings Engineers,Inc.,Trane U.S. Inc., D/B/A Trane Commercial Systems N FL as Set Forth in the 4th Judicial Circuit Court Case #16-2019-CA-003913 (The “Lawsuit”); Apv & Auth Exec of a Proposed Settlement & Release Agreeemnt; Auth the Gen Counsel & His Designee (s) to take all Further Action to Resolve the Potential Claims (Mairs) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: F
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 1/11/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

17. [2021-0887](#) ORD Transfer \$18,833.39 from the Art in Public Places Proj Fund to the Winton Dr Park Art in Public Places Proj (The “Project”) to Pay Increased Construction Costs to Complete the Proj; Purpose of Approp; Amend the 2022-2026 5-Yr CIP Apvd by Ord 2021-505-E to Transfer Funding From the Art in Public Places Proj Fund to the Proj for Completion of a Public Art Installation at the Corner of Winton Dr & Howell Dr (B.T. 22-029) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/3/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 1/11/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

- 18. [2021-0889](#) RESO Making Certain Findings, & Apv & Auth the Exec of an Economic Dev Agreement (“Agreement”) btwn the COJ (“City”) & Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc (“Company”), to Support the Expansion of the Company’s Existing Manufacturing Facility Located at 7500 Centurion Pkwy Within the City (“Project”); Auth a 10-Yr Recapture Enhanced Value (REV) Grant of \$7,000,000; Apv & Auth the Exec of Docs by the Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp Secretary; Auth Apv of Technical Amends by the Executive Dir of the Office of Economic Dev (“OED”); Prov for Oversight by the OED: Prov a Deadline for the Company to Execute the Agreement; Affirming the Project’s Compliance with the Public Investment Policy Adopt by Ord 2016-382-E, As Amended; Req 2-Reading Passage Pursuant to Council Rule 3.305 (Sawyer) (Introduced by the CM Newby at Req of the Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM R. Gaffney)
 12/14/21 CO Introduced: F, R
 1/4/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 1/4/22 R Amend/Approve 6-0

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. CM Gaffney asked to be added as a co-sponsor. CM Boylan noted the REV grant is for 50% of the new taxes being levied; the City will receive the other 50% for 10 years, then all the revenue thereafter. CM Becton said that Johnson and Johnson has made tremendous capital investment in Jacksonville and created hundreds of jobs as promised.

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

AMENDMENT

Place Revised Development Agreement on file to correct REV grant maximum of \$7,000,000

19. [2021-0890](#) ORD Approp a City Match of the Total Remaining Funds (Currently \$267,798.00) from the AES Cedar Bay Settlement Stipulation Acct Fund to Contribute Toward the Acquisition Cost of Approx (345± Acres) on Black Hammock Island by the Trust for Public Land who, after Acquisition, will Convey the Land to the State of FL & the National Park Serv for Conservation Purposes (The "Project"); Apv & Auth the Mayor or His Designee, & the Corp Sec, to Execute & Deliver a Grant Agreement with the Trust for Public Land to Set Forth Payment by the City; Providing for a Reverter of Funds if the Acquisition for Conservation Purposes of All, or a Portion of, the Propty is not Completed by 12/31/2024; Providing for the Parks, Rec & Community Serv Dept to Oversee the Proj (Grandin) (Introduced by CM Ferraro)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/3/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 1/11/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

20. [2021-0891](#) ORD-MC re FL Inland Navigation Dist (FIND) Grants; Amend Sec 117.110 (Florida Inland Navigation District (Find) (Grants), Chapt 117 (Grants), Ord Code, to Require that the Mayor Notify Council of Excess Funds in the FIND Match Acct after FIND Apvl of Annual Projs & to Require that the Council President File Legislation to Transfer the Excess Match Funding to a Special Council Contingency Acct for Waterways Improvements, Maintenance & Repair for the Current FY (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Ferraro)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
1/3/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 1/11/22

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21. [2021-0893](#) RESO Adopt the City Council's 1, 3, & 5 Yr Strategic Plan; Setting the City Council's Top Budget Priorities for the 2022-2023 FY; Encouraging the Mayor to Incorporate the Council Priorities into the 2022-2023 Budget. (Sidman) (Introduced by Finance Committee) (Co-Sponsor CM Morgan)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: F, R
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

READ 2ND & REREFER

22. [2021-0898](#) RESO Encouraging the State to Allow Local Govs to Waive the Provision of Sec 336.025 & 336.021 FL Statutes, to Allow Local Govs the Ability to Suspend Collection of Local Option Gas Taxes if the State Suspends the State Gas Tax for a Period of that time is Consistent with The State's Suspension; Offering Findings & Statements of Fact; Addn'l Apv & Auth Required to Execute Docs Related to the Waiver of State Statutes to Suspend Collection of the LOGT and Transfer of Funds to Prevent Funding Lapse; Directing Legislative Services Div to Forward to the FL Legislature, the Duval Legislative Delegation & the FL Dept of Revenue (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis)
12/14/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
1/3/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/3/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

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**Council Auditor's Office
2021-889**

One or Two Read Resolution - Two

Date provided to Council Auditor – 12/8/21

Company Name – Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc

Project Location – 7500 Centurion Parkway

Incentives Provided – \$7,000,000 REV grant at 50% over 10 years

Jobs to be Created –

- **100 new jobs created by December 31, 2024**
- **Average salary of \$65,000, plus benefits**

Performance Schedule –

- **Commencement of real estate improvements and purchase of tangible personal property (machinery and equipment) no later than June 30, 2022**
- **Completion of real estate improvements and purchase and installation of tangible personal property (machinery and equipment) no later than December 31, 2024**

Number of Jobs to be Retained – 2,072

Capital Investment – \$200,000,000

Records Retention/Audit Clause – Yes

Clawback Language –

- **In the event reporting requirements are not met in the time period specified in the agreement, the City will be entitled to withhold disbursements of the REV grant**
- **If by December 31, 2024, the Company fails to create the number of new jobs with an average salary of \$65,000 listed below, the REV grant will be reduced by the corresponding amount:**
 - **Fails to create 100 New Jobs – reduced proportionately**
 - **Fails to create 80 New Jobs– REV grant is terminated and any amounts paid to the Developer will be repaid to the City**
- **If by December 31, 2024, the Company fails to invest the amounts listed below, the REV grant will be reduced by the corresponding amount:**
 - **Fails to invest at least \$180,000,000 – reduced proportionately**
 - **Fails to invest at least \$140,000,000 – REV grant is terminated and any amounts paid to the Developer will be repaid to the City**

ROI based on 10-year return estimates – 2.07

Public Comment

Carnell Oliver advocated for turning the DIA into an Urban Core Development Authority. He said Rep. Jason Fischer has filed a bill in the Legislature to expand the homestead exemption which he believes will hurt the City's revenues and he urged the Council to ask the legislature to allow increased taxes on commercial properties which are the best revenue generators. The wealthy should pay their fair share of taxes.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held January 19, 2022.

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

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Rollcall

Present: 7 - Chair Ron Salem, Vice Chair Danny Becton, Council Member Michael Boylan, Council Member Matt Carlucci, Council Member Terrance Freeman, Council Member Reggie Gaffney and Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman

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