

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 20, 2025

9:30 AM

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

Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety Committee

Mike Gay, Chair

Randy White, Vice Chair

Ken Amaro

Chris Miller

Ron Salem

Michael Boylan

Tyrone Clark-Murray

Legislative Assistant: Rebecca Bolton

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

Council Research: Brandon Russell

Office of General Counsel: Mary Staffopoulos, Deputy

Administration: Bill Delaney

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Meeting Convened: 9:31 AM

Meeting Adjourned: 11:37 AM

Present: 7 - Mike Gay, Randy White, Ron Salem, Chris Miller, Ken Amaro, Michael Boylan and Tyrone Clark-Murray

Attendance:
CM Peluso - 2025-539

Presentation on JALA Eviction Diversion Program:

CM Boylan introduced the presenters of the Eviction Diversion Program presentation. He provided some context, stating that August foreclosure filings in metro Jacksonville rose 29.24 percent compared to a year ago, while the state's rose 16.35 percent, adding that Jacksonville's foreclosures were double the national foreclosure rate. He invited presenters to the podium to make their presentation.

Melanie Patz, President and CEO of United Way Northeast Florida, began the presentation, which was joined by representatives of Jewish Family and Community Services, Jacksonville Area Legal Aid (JALA), and the courts. City Council provided funding for 2024; for 2025 and 2026, funding was provided through the Mayor's transitional funding recommendations, which are federal dollars.

Explaining the program, Ms. Patz stated that landlords must consent to tenants' participation to ensure good standing. Also, payments go to the landlords to prevent fraud. If fraud is detected, Jewish Family and Community Services provides those details to JALA, which then reviews the situation and reports to the City, JSO, and the State Attorney. She added that there have not been any fraudulent payments to date.

Discussing eligibility, Ms. Patz explained that every family must meet income criteria, have either a senior, an adult with a disability, a veteran, or a child in the household, and be at imminent risk of eviction. They have had 383 families in Duval County participate in the program through September 2025.

She stated the Mayor's office is committed to continued funding, as 84 percent of tenants that received assistance remained housed six months later, and plans to include that funding in the 2027 budget. She requested that the Council consider approval when it comes before them in the future. She then introduced Judge Michelle Kalil, who was the administrative judge when the program was implemented and who established the processes and procedures for the program in the courts.

Judge Kalil stated that this is one of the most effective programs she has seen. She said that public safety correlates with homelessness, noting that areas with high rates of evictions also have high rates of crime. She stated that the program is a lifeline for those facing short-term challenges, such as health problems, transportation issues, or other job-related issues.

She stated that having representatives present at the courthouse to triage and review eviction cases to determine whether they qualify for assistance has been highly effective. She reiterated that the majority of those receiving assistance have remained housed six months later. She encouraged continued funding for the program.

CM Clark-Murray asked whether there were cases where a tenant had issues with the maintenance of their property. Ms. Patz has stated that most tenants who have received assistance want to stay in their current property. Colleen Rodriguez, CEO of Jewish Family and Community Services, said there have been landlord-tenant issues. She noted that the partnership

with JALA was critical in addressing those issues when they arise. Jim Kowalski, CEO of JALA, said they provide a clinic that helps people give notice to landlords. He added that, even if there is a condition issue with a unit, tenants must continue to pay rent to present the issue to a judge. CM Clark-Murray asked if the goal was to resolve landlord-tenant disputes rather than to secure another residence for the tenant. Ms. Rodriguez stated that resolution was their first choice. Still, she added that there are situations in which tenants may move to another unit on the same property, especially when family dynamics have changed.

CM Salem expressed his support for the program and asked how many people had been served. Ms. Patz stated that they have assisted 383 families since 2024. She noted that an eviction must be filed before a family qualifies for assistance and that landlord consent is required. He asked what percentage are prevented from being prevented; she reiterated that 84 percent are still housed six months after assistance.

CM Boylan stated that JALA had received funding from the City and asked whether that earlier funding had helped develop the program. Mr. Kowalski stated they learned how to do this during COVID, but were able to expand after the Council approved the project. CM Boylan affirmed that this is temporary support, and those who received support were largely able to remain in their homes. Ms. Rodriguez added that all the tenants are in good standing and that landlords want to work with them.

CM Miller asked about the cost over the past year. Ms. Patz stated that they have expended between \$1.75 and \$ 1.8 million, including staff, rental, and utility payments, since the start of the program, with yearly spending coming to roughly \$1 million. She stated the \$5.2 million figure from the presentation reflected a return on investment based on those families not needing further, more long-term assistance. CM Miller asked whether there was a limit on the number of times a family could receive assistance; Ms. Patz stated that they could receive assistance only once. CM Miller asked if the funds had been recovered after the payment. Ms. Patz stated that the money is not recovered directly, but they do yield an ROI based on the services the families forgo by remaining in their homes.

CM Peluso asked if the coalition provided other rental assistance programs. Ms. Patz stated that there are various programs, funded either privately or through Public Service Grants, that do not require filing an eviction. CM Peluso asked how much public and private funding there was for the program. Ms. Patz said \$3 million was appropriated for the program, with an annual cost of \$1 million, enough for 2026. CM Peluso asked if they could have supported more families. Ms. Patz said the need exceeds the funding. Ms. Rodriguez stated that around 1,000 evictions are filed each month. He then asked whether the money is spent early in the year or spread out. Ms. Rodriguez stated they space it out.

Chair Gay thanked the speakers for their presentation.

Item/File No.	Title History
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1. [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

2. [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

3. [2025-0448](#) ORD-MC re Industrial & Commercial Developments; Amend Sec 656.604 (Number of Off-Street Parking Spaces Required), Subpt a (Off-Street Parking, On-Street Parking & Loading for Motor Vehicles), Pt 6 (Off-Street Parking, On-Street Parking & Loading Regulations), Ch 656 (Zoning Code), Ord Code, to Modify the Parking Requirements for Industrial, Wholesale, Warehouse, Storage & Similar Uses; Amend Sec 656.1209 (Applicability), Subpt C (Landscaping Requirements), Pt 12 (Landscape & Tree Protection Regulations), Ch 656 (Zoning Code), Ord Code, to Modify Landscaping Requirements for Industrial & Commercial Development; Prov for Codification Instructions (Reingold) (Introduced by CM White) (PD Amd/Apv) (PC Apv)
6/10/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, LUZ
6/16/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/17/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/17/25 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/24/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/4/25 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
8/5/25 TEU Amend/Approve 5-0
8/5/25 LUZ PH Amend/Approve 7-0
8/12/25 CO Amend/Rerefer 18-0
9/9/25 CO PH Only
10/20/25 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-1 (Boylan)
10/21/25 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0
10/21/25 LUZ PH Amend/Approve 7-0
LUZ PH: 8/5/25 & 9/16/25, 10/7/25, 10/21/25
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 6/24/25 & 9/9/25

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro and Clark-Murray

Nay: 1 - Boylan

CM White explained the origins of the bill, which began with NAIOP approaching him about requirements affecting redevelopment, including the cost of building materials and the landscaping requirements triggered by the 50% rule. He noted that the bill originally passed through the Committees unanimously, but there was pushback from the Public Works Department. He stated he gathered NAIOP, Public Works, and Scenic Jax for a publicly noticed meeting at which those groups reached a compromise on an amendment to the original bill. The amendment was moved and seconded.

Dylan Reingold, Office of General Counsel, explained the amendment. CM Clark-Murray asked for the rationale behind the amendment. Nina Sickler, Public Works, stated that this amendment was a compromise agreed upon by all parties, emphasizing the change to a two-year look-back period from one year. Chris Hagan, NAIOP, also agreed that the amendment reflected a compromise among the parties. CM Salem asked whether the Planning Department agreed with the compromise and whether they intended to require more landscaping in established strip malls. Helena Parola, Planning and Development, stated the department was supportive of the compromise.

CM Miller asked if there was a way to incentivize strip malls that are not part of a CRA process to renovate. Ms. Sickler agreed there were several commercial properties she would like to support. She added that they were looking at land development regulations that incentivize green infrastructure, but they were not yet ready to identify precisely what those are. Ms. Parola added that they were working on draft regulations to incentivize resilience through landscaping changes that promote water retention.

The amendment passed unanimously.

CM Boylan expressed concern about an easing of regulation in retail corridors. He asked Ms. Cavin, Chief of Development Services, if policies put in place by her department necessitated the bill. Ms. Cavin stated that Development Services has not made any changes. CM Boylan then asked Mr. Hagan could speak to the review process or any other policies that may create challenges. He stated that he would need a NAIOP representative to address that question and added that the changes outlined in the bill would make it easier to move forward with the redevelopment process. CM Boylan said he supported the bill when it included industrial redevelopment, but the inclusion of commercial redevelopment concerned him. He then asked if anyone could explain how commercial and retail areas will retain their quality and character. Ms. Sickler stated that the bill reduces the landscaping requirements on commercial properties, including retail. She added that the bill originally had a one-year look-back period that would have enabled property owners to do just enough redevelopment each year to avoid triggering required landscaping. She stated that the two-year look-back period was an improvement. Brittany Culbreth, representing NAIOP, noted that small businesses in blighted communities will benefit the most from the changes since they are less able to afford redevelopment and landscaping triggered by that redevelopment. CM Boylan stated he was not comfortable with the bill's commercial component.

CM Miller stated that the bill's provisions apply only if a renovation project is initiated. Mr. Reingold affirmed CM Miller.

Chair Gay asked Mr. Reingold if renovations included additions to a structure. Mr. Reingold stated he would defer to the Planning Department; Ms. Parola noted that they do consider additions to be renovations. Chair Gay said he was supportive and added that commercial properties were originally

part of the bill, and that the industrial properties were added. He also stated that this bill would provide relief for small businesses. Bill Delaney from the Administration corrected, saying that the impetus was originally for industrial properties, and that commercial properties were added afterwards. Mary Staffopoulos, Office of General Counsel, affirmed that it was true.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Increases assessment period from one year to two years, for purposes of determining if cumulative renovations meet the threshold of a Qualified Project**
- 2. Increases the percentage of project costs that must be applied to meeting the landscaping requirements**
- 3. Further defines industrial and commercial developments**

- **Amends Section 656.604 (Number of Off-Street Parking Spaces Required) to require industrial, wholesale, warehouse, storage and similar use facilities have one space per 5,000 square feet of gross floor area (previously one space per 2,000 square feet)**
- **Amends Section 656.1209 (Applicability) to provide for additional exemptions and requirements for industrial and commercial developments, including increasing the renovation threshold to 60% of the assessed value and expansion threshold to 60% increase in square footage (previously 50% for both)**
- **Approved by Planning Commission on 9/4/25**

4. [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(2)/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Gay, White, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

Nay: 1 - Salem

The amendment was moved and seconded. Phillip Peterson from the Council Auditor's Office explained the amendment. The amendment passed unanimously.

The bill was moved and seconded as amended. CM Peluso requested that one of the Committee members move an amendment he wanted to introduce, based on a conversation with business owners. The amendment would reduce the yearly increase in the assessment on properties from \$2 to \$1 and from \$1 to \$0.50 for parking lots. The amendment was moved and seconded. The amendment passed unanimously.

CM Salem commended Brooks Dame for compiling a list of support for the initiative. He noted that 23 businesses had given consent via a returned notice and added that he would like to see them. He said that around 50 expressed support in a letter but did not sign the notice. He asked CM Peluso if that was an accurate depiction. CM Peluso stated that they had letters of support and returned notices. He also clarified that, according to the process agreed upon in a prior meeting, not returning the notice counted as support. CM Salem said he was still concerned and did not see sufficient support among businesses to vote in favor of the bill.

CM Peluso stated there was no required process for establishing a business improvement district (BID). He added that they used the method requested by CM Salem, which was used for installing speed humps. He said that they saw many people return them and added that they had 60 letters of support in addition to those returned notices. He noted that some business and property owners received a notice and did not return it, but instead wrote a letter of support. He stated that people in the neighborhood consistently feel a lack of support and resources from the City and JSO to address their issues. He noted that the JSO district that includes Five Points also includes Avondale, Murray Hill, Park and King, and stretches all the way out to Baldwin. He also noted that properties were being damaged that very week. He explained that the Five Points Merchant Association reached out to him about creating the BID. He stated that he intends to put \$150,000 of his district CBA dollars into the BID since, if approved, they would not receive funds until November 2026, when property was assessed. He noted that these BIDs exist around the state and country. He explained that many businesses that had existed for years in the area have closed, and that those who work and live in the neighborhood would benefit from the BID, along with the business and property owners. He urged the Committee to approve the bill.

CM Clark-Murray stated CM Salem's concern was valid and referred to the Hog Pen Special District, which failed due to late citizen opposition. She also added that no specific level of support is required to create a BID. She stated that it was unfair to make that standard here since it is not required by law. She noted that around 70 percent of businesses in the area support the BID, as evidenced by returned notices and letters of support. She said there doesn't appear to be strong opposition and would support the bill.

CM Salem said he takes taxing people very seriously, and asked Ms. Dame to provide the letters and signed notices to him. He stated he wasn't convinced there was support.

CM Miller asked how many businesses in total would be affected. CM Peluso stated that 126 properties would be impacted and added that a property may contain multiple businesses. CM Miller reiterated that he wanted to know the total number of businesses and, of those, how many have approved the program. CM Peluso restated that they had around 60 letters of support and 83 total supports via returned notices expressing consent, or notices not returned, which also count as consent. CM Miller stated he supported

the program but was concerned there was not enough community support.

CM Peluso called Dori Thompson, President of Five Points Merchants Association, to the podium to discuss how they arrived at the BID. She stated that it was first raised in November 2023, after a shopper was attacked in Five Points. She said they looked at how Bourbon Street, Ybor City, and other locations used a BID to address these issues. She added that it has been discussed at each Association meeting since then, and that there are minutes from those meetings as well. She said that there have been ongoing conversations about the decline in people wanting to visit the area. She talked about her own building, which houses multiple businesses, and estimated that, with the BID, an additional \$ 1,700 in property taxes would be due, or around \$145 per month. She expressed that she would be happy to pay that amount, given the added security it would create. She described parties held in the parking lot of her building that generated litter, and an incident in which drivers recklessly destroyed the handicapped ramp at her building.

CM Amaro recalled the burden placed on CM Peluso to obtain an account of public support and stated he believed CM Peluso had done so. He noted that the community is asking for the BID, which is a district-level matter. He added that he has not received any communications expressing opposition. He stated he will support the bill.

Chair Gay stated he was currently supportive, but reserved the right to change his vote at the general Council meeting.

NCSPHS AMENDMENT #1

- 1. Correct language within Section 5 of Charter regarding services to be provided by the District**
- 2. Strike reference to administrative duties within Section 6 of Charter**
- 3. Include legal name of 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 by the Council President and confirmed by Council**
- 7. Add exemption for properties owned by or used as churches**
- 8. Correct scrivener's errors**
- 9. Attach Revised Exhibit 3 (Parcel listing) to include all parcels located within the District boundaries and remove duplicate parcels**

AMENDMENT #2

Revise maximum annual increase to assessment from \$2.00 to \$1.00 per heated sq. ft. for buildings and from \$1.00 to \$0.50 per GIS sq. ft. for parking lots

- Establishes the charter for a dependent special district to be known as the Five Points Dependent Special District ("District")**
- Establishes the purpose of the District, which is to provide continuing services, such as but not limited to elevated levels of security, landscaping, and promotion**
- Provides that the governing body of the District will consist of five Supervisors and three alternates, to be appointed by City Council, and establishes qualifications of Supervisors and alternates**
- Authorizes annual non-ad valorem special assessments on the commercial parcels located in the District, excluding retirement/nursing homes or residential properties, to be collected in any manner permitted by law**
- Provides for a maximum initial assessment of \$0.55 per square foot for buildings and \$0.50 per square foot for parking lots**
- Provides for a maximum annual increase to the assessment of \$2.00 per square foot for buildings and \$1.00 per square foot for parking lots**
- Requires submittal of annual budget and approval by City Council**

5. [2025-0600](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 111.390 (Driver Education Safety Trust Fund), Pt 3 (Public Safety & Courts), Ch 111 (Special Revenue & Trust Accounts), Ord Code, to Increase the Civil Traffic Penalty from \$3 to \$5 Consistent with the Dori Slosberg Driver Education Safety Act, Sec 318.1215, F.S.; Prov for Codification Instructions (Reingold) (Req of Mayor)
8/12/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
8/18/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/18/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/26/25 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/26/25

DEFER

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: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

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: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

The amendment was moved and seconded. Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. The amendment passed unanimously.

CM Clark-Murray stated she like the old name better.

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: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

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: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

The amendment was moved and seconded. Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. The amendment passed unanimously.

CM Boylan stated there have been frustrations with Art in Public Places in getting projects in place in a timely fashion. He requested an update from the Cultural Council regarding pending projects.

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: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

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: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

CM Clark-Murray requested to be added as a co-sponsor.

- **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: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

The amendment was moved and seconded. Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. The amendment passed unanimously.

AMENDMENT

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

14. [2025-0765](#) ORD-MC re the Timing for Consolidated Gov't Elections & the Qualifying for Such Elections; Amend Sec 350.102 (Consolidated Government Elections) & 350.106 (Qualification of Candidates), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 350 (Elections, Election Regulations, & Campaigning), Ord Code, to Modify the Timing for the 1st Consolidated Gov't Election & the Qualifying for the 1st & Gen Consolidated Gov't Elections; Prov for Codification Instructions (Pinkstaff) (Introduced by CM Carrico)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

15. [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

16. [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

17. [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

18. [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

19. [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/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

The emergency was moved and seconded. The emergency passed unanimously. The bill was moved and seconded as an emergency.

CM Salem asked if every position the Chamber of Commerce took was in support of the Mayor. Anna Lebesch, Senior VP of JAXUSA Partnership at the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce, stated that she would need to get the answer from others on staff. CM Salem then asked whether the Chamber had taken a position on the recently approved tax cut or on the Duval County School Board's attempts to secure its own general counsel. She stated she would need to get those answers from others on her staff as well. CM Salem noted that he believed those would be issues the Chamber would take a position on. He indicated he would support the bill today but would like answers to those questions before the general Council meeting.

CM Clark-Murray asked CM Salem to repeat his questions. CM Salem restated his question and explained that Daniel Davis, CEO of the Chamber, had provided a chart showing the positions they had taken over the past 5 years. CM Clark-Murray asked if it was typical of the Chamber to provide commentary. Ms. Lebesch stated that the funding in the bill was for JAXUSA Partnership. CM Clark-Murray restated her question. Ms. Lebesch stated the Chamber will, at times, make a policy statement. Ryan Murphy, JAX Chamber, said that they have taken positions on issues in the past. She explained that members may request the Chamber take a position, and the request is then brought before their Government Affairs committee for a recommendation. The recommendation is sent to the Board, which then decides whether to take a position.

CM Salem stated he understood the difference between the money appropriated in the bill and the issues he was raising. He said he was frustrated by the land swap deal and by the Chamber's support for that project, even though the Council was split on the issue. He stated he had other questions he wanted answered and believed the Council had the right to ask them, since they affected their work.

Chair Gay understood why CM Salem wanted the questions answered and reserved his right to change his vote later.

• 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

20. [2025-0772](#) ORD-MC re Downtown Sidewalks & Bars; Amend Sec 154.108 (Consumption on Vender's Premises), Pt 1 (in General), Ch 154 (Alcoholic Beverages), Ord Code, to Expand the Premises Area; Amend Sec 250.801 (Definitions), Pt 8 (Downtown Sidewalk Cafes), Ch 250 (Miscellaneous Business Regulations), Ord Code, to Expand the Downtown Areas for Sidewalk Cafes & Bars; Prov for Codification (Reingold) (Introduced by CM Arias)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

21. [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: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

The emergency was moved and seconded. The emergency was approved unanimously.

The amendment was moved and seconded. Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. The amendment was approved unanimously.

The bill was moved and seconded as an emergency and as amended.

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**

22. [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

23. [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
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

24. [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
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

25. [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
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

26. [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
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/28/25

EMERGENCY/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Gay, White, Salem, Miller, Amaro, Boylan and Clark-Murray

The emergency was moved and seconded. The emergency was approved unanimously.

CM White thanked Mr. Clement for attending. CM Amaro requested to be added as a co-sponsor, as did CMs Boylan, Clark-Murray, White, and Chair Gay.

- **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**

27. [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
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

28. [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
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

29. [2025-0782](#) ORD Honoring the Legacy & Brave Svc of Firefighter Henry Bradley to the City; Naming the City-Owned Bldg Located at 12 Catherine St, Jax, FL, in Council Dist 7, Pursuant to Sec 122.105 (Public Buildings, Public Facilities & Public Parks Naming & Renaming Procedures), Ord Code, to Be Known as the “Henry Bradley Firefighters Museum”; Waiving the Timeline Estabd in Sec 122.105 (Public Buildings, Public Facilities & Public Park Naming & Renaming Procedures), Ord Code, Pertaining to the Report & Recommendation from the Historic Preservation Sec of the Community Planning Div of the PDD & the JHPC for Naming of a City-Owned Bldg; Renaming a Roadway Currently Identified as “Catherine Street” to “Henry Bradley Place” in Council Dist 7 Pursuant to Sec 745.105 (Public Street Name Changes), Ord Code; Directing the LSD to Forward This Ord, Once Enacted, to the Public Works Dept, Dev Svcs & Traffic Engineering Divs, for Processing, Implementation, & Coordination with 911 Emerg, the JFRD, the USPS, & Other Affected Agencies & Orgs Pertaining to the Road Renaming (Pollock) (Introduced by CMs Johnson & Peluso)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, TEU
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/21/25 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
TEU PH Pursuant to Ch 745 Ord Code - 11/4/25
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25 & 11/12/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

30. [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
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

31. [2025-0794](#) ORD-MC Concerning ACPS; Incorporating Recitals; Repealing & Replacing Pt 10 (Pet Shops & Animal Dealers), Ch 462 (Animals), Ord Code, to Consolidate with Certain Provisions Currently Provd in Pt 11 (Hobby Breeders & Casual Sellers), to Amend the Definitions of Pet Shop & Animal Dealer, & to Estab a Mandatory Min # of Employees to # of Animals Ratio; Repealing & Reserving Pt 11 (Hobby Breeders & Casual Sellers), Ch 462 (Animals), Ord Code; Amend Sec 462.1803 (Fee Schedule), Pt 18 (Fine & Fee Schedules), Ch 462 (Animals), Ord Code, to Add Permits for Animal Dealers & Hobby Breeders & to Remove Permits for Pet Shops from the List of Fees; Prov for Codification Instructions (Hartung) (Introduced by CM Gay)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

32. [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
10/20/25 R 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

33. [2025-0797](#) ORD-MC re Appts to Certain Brds & Commissions of the City of Jax; Amend Sec 77.106 (Membership, Organization & Meetings), Ch 77 (Kids Hope Alliance), Ord Code, to Prov That 4 Members of the KHA Brd Shall Be Aptd by the Mayor & Confd by the City Council & 3 Members Shall Be Aptd by the Council President & Confd by the City Council; Amend Sec 90.101 (Establishment; Composition; Member Qualifications; Terms; Annual Training Requirement; Responsibilities), Ch 90 (Board of Library Trustees), Ord Code, to Prov That 7 Members of the Brd of Library Trustees Shall Be Aptd by the Mayor & Confd by the City Council & 5 Members Shall Be Aptd by the Council President & Confd by the City Council as More Particularly Described Herein; Prov for Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Arias)
10/14/25 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
10/20/25 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/25 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 10/28/25

READ 2ND & REREFER

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Monday, November 3, 2025.

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

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Public Comment:

Maria Cox, property owner and owner of Midnight Sun in Five Points, spoke about property damage and other challenges she has experienced in the area, in reference to 2025-0539. CM Salem recommended she attend the DOGE Committee meeting to hear about the PATH Program.

Dori Thompson, President of Five Points Association, spoke in support of 2025-0539. She recounted examples of businesses in the area that sustained property damage and explained how the BID will be used to address challenges in the Five Points neighborhood.

Casey Roth, representing Riverside Avondale Preservation, spoke in support of 2025-0539. He stated that other cities with a BID experience improved safety and property values. He said it will allow business owners to focus on running their businesses effectively.

Cheryl Croft, representing Five Points Association and Edge City, spoke in support of 2025-0539. She stated that the extra cost of property taxes would be worth it for a safe, clean neighborhood where people can live and patronize local businesses.

Natalie Worth, representing Five Points Dental, spoke in support of 2025-0539. She recounted her challenges working in the area. She also recalled the lack of response from JSO to her issues over the past couple of years and noted the loss of businesses in the area due to problems in Five Points.

Chrissy Kinne spoke in opposition to 2025-0448. She specifically requested the removal of subpart b of the bill, which relaxes the City's landscaping standards. She discussed the potential negative impacts on property values, the environment, and residents' health and happiness.

Andre Green, representing Corner Lot Development, spoke in support of 2025-0539. He stated the BID would assist in increasing tenancy in the area, beautifying it, and addressing vagrancy. He also reiterated the broad business and community support for the BID.

Dana Riley, who did not wish to speak, supported 2025-0539.

Ian Bassett, a property owner in Five Points, described challenges with homeless people on his property. He expressed his feeling that the City has abandoned Five Points. He stated that he was on the fence regarding 2025-0539 but suggested that the City match whatever amount the proposed BID may raise, as he feels it is the City's responsibility to care for the neighborhood.

John Nooney spoke on bills 2024-0966, 2025-0539, 2025-0600, 2025-0727, 2025-0749. He wondered why 2025-0727 was not before the Jacksonville Waterways Commission. He stated that Council approval should be part of 2025-0749.

Cornell Oliver requested a deferral for 2025-0539 because he felt the Five Points community should feel pressure. He asked for investment in public housing. He also called for expanding the number of Council Members.

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