

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

9:30 AM

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

Transportation, Energy & Utilities Committee

Will Lahnen, Chair

Ju'Coby Pittman, Vice Chair - Excused

Rahman Johnson

Ken Amaro

Matt Carlucci

Reggie Gaffney, Jr.

Tyrona Clark-Murray

Legislative Assistant: Vanessa Galan

Council Auditor's Office: Edward Linsky

Council Research: Steven Libby

Office of General Counsel: Carla Schell

Administration: Bill Delaney

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Meeting Convened: 9:30 AM

Meeting Adjourned: 10:27 AM

Present: 6 - Will Lahnen, Rahman Johnson, Matt Carlucci, Reggie Gaffney Jr., Tyrone Clark-Murray and Ken Amaro

Excused: 1 - Ju'Coby Pittman

Attendance:

Item/File No. Title History

1. [2026-0005](#) ORD re Ch 745 (Addressing & Street Naming Regulations), Ord Code; Estab an Honorary Street Desig & Associated Roadway Markers for Cedric Burrell; Estab an Honorary Street Desig on 16th St E Extending btwn Main St & Hubbard St in Council Dist. 7 for Cedric Burrell; Prov for the Installation of 2 Honorary Roadway Markers to Be Located in Appropriate Locations on the Desig Road in Council Dist. 7; Waiving the Requirement of Subsec 745.105(i)(2), Ord Code, that the Honoree to Be Deceased for at Least 5 Yrs; Waiving the Requirement of Subsec 745.105(i)(3), Ord Code, that the Honoree Reside in the Community within 5 Miles of the Street Being Desig for at Least 10 Yrs; Directing the Legislative Svcs Div to Forward a Copy of this Ord, Once Enacted, to the Public Works Dept, Traffic Engineering & Addressing Divs, for Processing, Implementation & Coordination with the Applicant & Other Affected Agencies & Orgs (Pollock) (Introduced by CM Peluso) (Co-Sponsors CMs Pittman, Johnson, Carlucci & Gaffney, Jr.)
1/13/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, TEU
1/20/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/20/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/21/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/27/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
2/3/26 TEU PH Only
3/17/26 TEU PH Only
4/6/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
4/6/26 R Amend/Approve 7-0
4/7/26 TEU PH Amend/Approve 6-0
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 336.10, F.S. - 2/3/26 & 4/7/26
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/27/26 & 4/14/26

PH AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Lahnen, Johnson, Carlucci, Gaffney Jr., Clark-Murray and Amaro

Excused: 1 - Pittman

Chair Lahnen opened the public hearing.
John Nooney spoke on the bill.
Chair Lahnen closed the public hearing.

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

CM Johnson spoke in support of the bill, stating that Mr. Burrell is deserving of the honorary street designation even though the five-year requirement has not been met. CM Carlucci and CM Gaffney, Jr. requested to be added as co-sponsors.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Reflect that additional notices were sent to two affected property owners and reflect revised results of noticing**
- 2. Attach Revised Exhibit 3 (Results) to reflect the results of the additional noticing**
- 3. Attach Revised Exhibit 4 (Responses) to exclude responses associated with the two parcels that were re-noticed**
- 4. Place revised notices on file to reflect additional noticing**
- 5. Correct Scrivener's**

- Waives Code Sec. 745.105(i)(2) which requires that the honoree has been deceased for at least five years**
- Waives Code Sec. 745.105(i)(3) which requires that the honoree have resided in the community within five miles of the honorary street designation for at least ten years**

2. [2026-0140](#) ORD Re Ch 745 (Addressing & Street Naming Regulations), Ord Code; Renaming Confederate St Extending Btwn Hubbard St & Liberty St to “Rose Arbor Way” in Council Dist 7 Pursuant to Sec 745.105 (Public Street Name Changes), Ord Code; Directing the Legislative Svcs Div to Forward a Copy of this Ord, Once Enacted, to the Public Works Dept, Dev Svcs Div, Addressing Sec, for Processing, Implementation, & Coordination with Various City Depts & Other Affected Agencies & Orgs (Pollock) (Introduced by CM Peluso)
2/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, TEU
3/2/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/2/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 TEU PH Only
4/6/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 5-2 (Gay & Salem)
4/6/26 R Amend/Approve 4-3 (Gay, Salem & Freeman)
4/7/26 TEU PH Amend/Approve 5-1 (Johnson)
TEU PH Pursuant to Ch 745 Ord Code - 3/17/26 & 4/7/26
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26 & 4/14/26

PH AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Lahnen, Carlucci, Gaffney Jr., Clark-Murray and Amaro

Nay: 1 - Johnson

Excused: 1 - Pittman

Chair Lahnen opened the public hearing.

John Nooney requested that the bill be deferred to receive input from the Urban Core CPAC.

Blake Harper expressed opposition to the bill and the NCSPHS amendment.

Chair Lahnen closed the public hearing.

The NCSPHS amendment was moved and seconded.

CM Clark-Murray asked Mr. Nooney whether the bill had been discussed at the Urban Core CPAC meeting. Mr. Nooney stated that it had. CM Clark-Murray asked Mr. Nooney about the substance of their discussion. Mr. Nooney deferred to Ernest Smith, Chair of the Urban Core CPAC. Mr. Smith stated that the CPAC discussed the bill and voted unanimously to support it, noting that it was initiated by the Springfield Preservation and Revitalization (SPAR) organization, was a community-driven proposal, and that the new street name reflects a recognizable feature of the neighborhood. CM Clark-Murray then asked Mr. Smith if the CPAC was aware of the NCSPHS amendment. Mr. Smith stated that they were not. CM Clark-Murray informed Mr. Smith that he and the CPAC members could attend the next Council meeting to voice their opinions on the amendment.

Ed Linsky, Council Auditor's Office, explained the NCSPHS amendment. Mr. Linsky noted that, after conferring with OGC, the waiver included in the NCSPHS amendment is not required because the street is not contiguous.

A motion was moved and seconded to remove the waiver from the NCSPHS amendment.

CM Carlucci asked whether the amendment leaves a portion of the street named Confederate Street. Carla Schell, OGC, confirmed that the section from Hubbard Street to Market Street would remain Confederate Street. CM Carlucci indicated that he would support the amendment.

Bill Delaney, Administration, stated that the administration supports the amendment if it would result in the bill's passage.

The motion to remove the waiver from the NCSPHS amendment was approved unanimously. The NCSPHS amendment, as amended by the committee, became the TEU amendment.

Chair Lahnen invited Cyndy Trimmer, representing the applicant, to speak on the bill. Ms. Trimmer stated that the applicant is comfortable with renaming the portion from Market Street to Liberty Street and retaining the existing name on the remaining section.

CM Johnson asked Cherry Pollock, OGC, if the 911 committee had any concerns regarding the street renaming. Ms. Pollock stated that they did not and voted to approve the renaming. CM Johnson then asked Ms. Pollock that since the renaming was now only a portion of the street, would it need to go back to the 911 committee. Ms. Pollock stated that it did not. CM Johnson stated that he has reservations about the amendment and would prefer to either rename the entire street or leave it unchanged.

The TEU amendment was approved 5-1 (Johnson).

CM Clark-Murray made a motion to defer the bill to allow for additional input from the Urban Core CPAC. CM Carlucci stated that while he would like to know the CPAC's position, he preferred to vote

the bill out of committee. Chair Lahnen stated that he would not support the deferral, noting that the upcoming public hearing at City Council would provide an opportunity for CPAC members to give input. CM Johnson stated that he would support CM Clark-Murray's motion to defer, citing the substantive change to the bill. CM Clark-Murray stated that she would maintain her motion to defer, citing her desire to hear from the entire community.

The motion to defer failed 3-3:

Aye: Clark-Murray, Gaffney, Jr., Johnson

Nay: Lahnen, Amaro, Carlucci

AMENDMENT

1. **Revise renaming to include the portion of Confederate Street from Market Street to Liberty Street**
2. **Reflect that a second notice was sent to one affected property owner and reflect non-response**
3. **Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (Notice) to include second notice**
4. **Page 1, line 31 and page 2, line 12, strike “745.105(j) (10)” and insert “745.105(c)”**

• “Rose Arbor Way” commemorates the historic rose arbor in Springfield Park

3. [2026-0146](#) ORD Amend the JTA FY 24-25 Budget; Amend Ord 2024-514-E by Amend Revised Schedule O (Estimated Operating Revs) & Revised Schedule P (Operating Expenditures) to Approp Add'l Revs to Offset Increased Operating Expenses Exceeding the Appvd JTA Budget for FY 24-25 (Staffopoulos) (Req of the JTA) (Co-Sponsor CM Johnson)
2/24/26 CO Introduced: TEU, F
3/3/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/3/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/10/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 TEU Approve 6-0
4/7/26 F Approve 6-1 (Diamond)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/10/26

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Lahnen, Johnson, Carlucci, Gaffney Jr., Clark-Murray and Amaro

Excused: 1 - Pittman

Jessica Shepler, Senior Vice President of Public Affairs at JTA, provided background on the bill.

CM Clark-Murray asked Heather Obora, Chief Financial Officer at JTA, how much is currently in transit operating reserves. Ms. Obora stated \$31 million in transit operating reserves, with approximately \$43 million in total reserves. CM Clark-Murray asked Ms. Obora about the cause of JTA's budget overages. Ms. Obora stated that the overages are primarily attributable to increased Connexion Plus costs, fringe benefits for union employees, and NAVI service expenses. CM Clark-Murray asked whether any federal funds are available for NAVI. Ms. Obora stated that the operation and maintenance of NAVI is locally funded.

Chair Lahnen noted that the bill addresses JTA's current fiscal year budget and that a future budget amendment will be forthcoming. Ms. Obora stated that JTA's budget amendment bill would be introduced this month.

JTA is amending their FY 2024/25 budget by \$29.3 million in additional revenues for the following:

- Bus Division: appropriating \$19.8 million in additional revenue from Bus Transit Operating Reserves and using \$800K in contingency funds to cover the increased transfer to the Connexion Division (\$9.5 million), overages in Fringe Benefits (\$6 million), and NAVI operations (\$5.1 million)

- Connexion: appropriating the \$9.5 million increased transfer from the Bus Division and using \$164K in contingency funds to cover increased costs for the Connexion and Connexion Plus services (\$9.2 million) and overages in Fringe Benefits (\$443K)

4. [2026-0188](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver that Certain Stipulation of Parties for the Permanent Closure of 8th St E Railroad-Highway Grade Crossing, FDOT Crossing No. 713594W, & the Opening of Otis Rd Public Railroad-Highway Grade Crossing, btwn the City & the FDOT; Prov for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
3/10/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU
3/16/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/17/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/24/26 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/6/26 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
4/7/26 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/24/26

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Lahnen, Johnson, Carlucci, Gaffney Jr., Clark-Murray and Amaro

Excused: 1 - Pittman

The amendment was moved and seconded.

The amendment was approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

Place corrected Stipulation of Parties on file to include referenced exhibits

• Proposed Otis Rd. crossing will allow rail capability to be extended to the Cecil Commerce Mega Site

5. [2026-0215](#) ORD Approp \$75,000.00 from the Solid Waste Disposal Fund - Contributions from Private Sources Acct, to Prov Funding for Beautification Initiatives Including St Sweeping Trash & Debris from Roadways; Prov for City Oversight by the Division of R/W & Stormwater Maintenance of the Dept of PW (B.T. 26-053) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
3/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
4/6/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/14/26

READ 2ND & REREFER

6. [2026-0216](#) ORD Making Certain Findings; Apv the Appl of GFL Solid Waste Southeast LLC for Renewal of Its Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity (CON) to Operate a Construction & Demolition Debris Processing & Recycling Facility with a Modification to Operate the Facility as a Construction & Demolition Debris & Yard Trash Transfer Station & a Clean Debris Recycling Facility; Prov for Conds of Said Renewal (Dillard) (Introduced by the CP pursuant to Ch 380, Ord Code)
3/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU
4/6/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
TEU PH Pursuant to CH 380, Ord Code- 4/21/26
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/28/26

READ 2ND & REREFER

7. [2026-0222](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute on Behalf of the City that Certain Declaration of Restrictive Covenant btwn the City & the FL Dept of Environmental Protection Pertaining to those Portions of the Lomax St & Bishop Gate Ln R/W Located Adjacent to 500 & 555 Bishop Gate Ln, Jax, FL 32204 (R.E. # 090148-0100 & 090143-0000); Prov for Oversight by the PW Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Peluso)
3/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU
4/6/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/14/26

READ 2ND & REREFER

8. [2026-0226](#) ORD Approp \$77,440.00 in Grant Funding from the FL Fish & Wildlife

Conservation Commission for Reimbursement of the City's Costs to Remove & Dispose of 4 Derelict Vessels Located in Public Waterways All within Duval County; Prov for Oversight by the Office of Admin Svcs, Environmental Quality Div (B.T. 26-054) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
3/24/26 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
4/6/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/14/26

READ 2ND & REREFER

9. [2026-0230](#) RESO Concerning the Vacation of Portions of the Plat of Subdiv of Lot 10, Sec 33, T1S-27E, Pursuant to Sec 177.101(3), F.S.; Returning a Portion of the Lands Shown on Said Plat of Subdiv of Lot 10, Sec 33, T1S-27E, to Acreage; Making Findings; Abandoning Certain Unopened Rds within the Boundaries of the Jax Heights Subdiv Plat That Have Not Been Opened & Have Not Become Rds Suitable & Necessary for the Traveling Public; & Ensuring Legal Access to Abutting Properties (Harvey) (Introduced by CM Amaro)
3/24/26 CO Introduced: R, TEU
4/6/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer

READ 2ND & REREFER

10. [2026-0231](#) RESO Expressing City Council's Support for Protected Bicycle Lanes Downtown on Portions of Beaver St, Monroe St, Hogan St & Liberty St (Reingold) (Introduced by CM Peluso)
3/24/26 CO Introduced: NSCPHS, R, TEU
4/6/26 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/6/26 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/7/26 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer

READ 2ND & REREFER

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, April 21, 2026.

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

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Public Comment:

John Nooney commented on 2026-5, 2026-140, 2026-146, 2026-215, 2026-216, 2026-222, 2026-226 & 2026-230.

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