

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 18, 2024

9:30 AM

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

Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety Committee

Joe Carlucci, Chair

Chris Miller, Vice Chair

Ken Amaro - Excused Early Departure

Michael Boylan

Tyrone Clark-Murray

Jimmy Peluso

Ron Salem

Legislative Assistant: Rebecca Bolton

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

Council Research: Colleen Hampsey

Office of General Counsel: Mary Staffopoulos, Deputy

Administration: Scott Wilson

Meeting Convened: 9:30 AM

Meeting Adjourned: 12:37 PM

Attendance:

CP White - 2024-829, 2024-846, & 2024-888

CM Johnson - 2024-776

CM Arias - 2024-845 & 2024-883

CM Gay - 2024-853

Present: 7 - Chair Joe Carlucci, Vice Chair Chris Miller, Ken Amaro, Michael Boylan, Tyrona Clark-Murray, Jimmy Peluso and Ron Salem

Item/File No.

Title History

1. [2024-0776](#) RESO Expressing the City Council's Strong Support & Recommendation to the FL Legislature to Work Towards Medicaid Expansion in FL; Directing the Legislative Svcs Div to Transmit Copies of this Reso, Once Adopted, to the Duval County Legislative Delegation, the Senate President, the Speaker of the House, & the FL Governor (MacGillis) (Introduced by CM Johnson) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Gaffney, Jr. & Peluso)
9/24/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
9/30/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/30/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/8/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/4/24 NCSPHS Approve 3-3 (Defer) (J. Carlucci, Miller, Salem)
11/4/24 R Approve 3-4 (Fail) (Howland, Freeman, Gay, Miller)
11/18/24 NCSPHS Approve 3-3 (Defer) (J. Carlucci, Miller, Salem)

APPROVE

DEFER (this item was deferred due to the lack of 4 votes in either direction)

Aye: 3 - Boylan, Clark-Murray and Peluso

Nay: 3 - Carlucci, Miller and Salem

Council Member Johnson explained the bill. Council Member Peluso spoke in support, noting Medicaid expansion in other states and the need for it in Florida.

2. [2024-0800](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute a 1st Amendment to the Existing Contract with Meridian Waste Florida, LLC, Setting Rates Commencing 10/1/24, Setting Fuel Caps for FYs 24-25, 25-26 & 26-27, & Apv the Premise Count Conducted in Connection with the Rate Review; Prov a Monthly Base Rate; Prov for City Oversight by the Solid Waste Div of the Dept of Public Works (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
10/8/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
10/14/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/15/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/15/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/22/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Substitute/Rerefer 6-0
11/19/24 F Substitute/Rerefer 6-1 (Lahnen)
11/19/24 TEU Substitute/Rerefer 5-1 (Lahnen)
11/19/24 TEU Reconsider/Substitute/Rerefer 4-2 (Carlucci, Lahnen)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/22/24, & 12/10/24

SUB/REREFER

Aye: 6 - Carlucci, Miller, Boylan, Clark-Murray, Peluso and Salem

This item was deferred at the last committee meeting to permit Meridian time to produce a list of "real expenses" for consideration in setting the hauler's rate. Council Member Boylan asked what rate would be appropriate to meet real expenses with a profit margin around 15%.

Mr. Shepler, Meridian, proposed a rate of \$22.39. Council Member Clark-Murray asked about items omitted from the rate review, like interest payments and property damage.

Council Member Salem expressed opposition to the rate review process, and he asked about the interest expenses for the hauler trucks. Mr. Shepler said that roughly \$15 million was financed for trucks and they now have an interest rate of 8.47%.

Council Member Boylan said that interest payments should be considered in setting the rate since Meridian stepped in to provide service during a tough time a few years ago.

Council Member Miller shared his dislike for the rate review process, said that it should be looked at by council members or a special committee, and he inquired about the rates for other haulers in the city. Kim Taylor, Council Auditor, listed some risks to the City associated with using interest payments in the rate review. Mr. Peterson, Auditor's Office, said that Meridian could potentially refinance the loans later on at a lower interest rate, which would benefit them and not the City.

Council Member Peluso asked if Meridian would cease services if they do not receive they rate they requested. Mr. Shepler said no.

Scott Wilson, Mayors Office, said that the Administration supports the rate presented by the Rate Review Committee (\$18.31).

Council Member Clark-Murray asked if fixing the interest rate could be required in the bill. Mr. Peterson said that this bill just addresses the hauler's rate and not the haulers interest rate on debt.

Mr. Shepler said Duval County is their only contract with an annual rate review.

Council Member Salem offered a floor amendment to set the Meridian rate at \$22.39. Council Member Peluso offered an amendment to the amendment to update rates and evaluate hauler contracts annually based on CPI without the rate review, failed for lack of a second.

Ms. Staffopoulos, OGC, explained that the bill will also have to include an appropriation to cover the difference between the recommended rate (\$18.31) and the \$22.39 rate, and that due to the substantive nature of the Salem amendment, it should instead be offered as a substitute and the bill be re-referred with a re-advertised public hearing in its new form.

Council Member J. Carlucci asked if the re-refer is required or optional. Ms. Staffopoulos said to be in keeping with transparency and state statute regarding notices of public hearings on legislation, and in light of the substantial changes to the bill, she recommended re-referring to the next committee meeting December 2, and then the bill will go to council December 10.

Ms. Taylor said the appropriation would be \$4,280,251, from operating reserves.

Council Member Salem moved his original amendment as a substitute, including the rate of \$22.39 and the appropriation of \$4,280,251. Approved unanimously.

SUBSTITUTE

- 1. Revise monthly base rate component to \$22.39 inclusive of a mark-up on operating expenses before profit and corporate taxes**
- 2. Include appropriation of \$4,028,251 from General Fund Operating Reserves**

3. [2024-0837](#) ORD Approp \$301,038.70 from the Opioid Settlement Fund Investment Pool Earnings to the Opioid Settlement Fund - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct to Provide Add'l Funds for Opioid & Substance Use Disorder Settlement Proceeds Grants in FY 24-25 (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
11/19/24 F Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Carlucci, Miller, Boylan, Clark-Murray, Peluso and Salem

Council Member Clark-Murray asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

Scrivener's

1. Pg. 1, lines 6 and 27: insert "account" after "Earnings"
2. Pg. 1, line 26: strike "designated"

4. [2024-0838](#) ORD Approp \$100,000 from a Special Council Contingency to the Pre-Trial Operations Activity - Contractual Svcs Acct within JSO, to Procure the Professional Svcs of CGL Management Services, LLC, to Conduct a Population Study of the Duval County Jail as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions from Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with CGL Management Services, LLC; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Agrmt btwn the City & CGL Management Services, LLC, for the Provision of Svcs to Complete the Study; Prov for Oversight by JSO (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

DEFER

5. [2024-0839](#) ORD Approp \$500,000 from a Designated Special Council Contingency to the Gen Fund Operating, Misc Grants & Aids Acct, to Provide City Grant Funding to the Boselli Foundation, Inc. to Support Boselli’s Teacher Fellowship & Mentoring Progs as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions from Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with Boselli for the Progs; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with the Boselli Foundation, Inc.; Waiving Sec 110.112...(Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM White)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/4/24 NCSPHS & R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-2 (Peluso, Clark-Murray)
11/18/24 R Amend/Approve 8-0
11/19/24 F Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

AMEND/APPROVE

- Aye:** 6 - Carlucci, Miller, Amaro, Boylan, Salem and White
Nay: 2 - Clark-Murray and Peluso

Chris Hagan, Southern Group on behalf of Boselli Foundation, spoke about the bill.

Council Member Peluso asked about direct contracting, which has been problematic on some bills previously. He asked what schools will participate and why KHA was not overseeing the program. Council Member Peluso said that the foundation should be able to raise the needed funds through private donations. He suggested providing less funding for the program.

Mr. Hagan said that the program will be in schools throughout the city and in the jail.

Council Member Clark-Murray asked about the Boselli Foundation being on the non-compliance list for not submitting financial statements a few years ago. Council Member Salem talked about the forgiveness provided through 2024-40 for Boselli Foundation's non-compliance with the requirement of Section 118.201, Ordinance Code, for failure to provide an audit for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 fiscal years by the required deadline.

Council Member Arias shared his support for the foundation and their work with incarcerated youth. Council Member Clark-Murray noted that DCPS provides education to all local incarcerated youth.

Council Member Boylan asked about the Auditor's concern on the agenda related to the 25% advanced funds. Mr. Peterson said that any advanced funds are usually capped at 10%, and thereafter funds are reimbursed .

Council Member Amaro asked if 10% is enough to get the program running, and he noted that the foundation is well established and as such should be able to cover upfront expenses.

Council President White said he thinks it should stay at the requested 25%.

Council Member Boylan offered a floor amendment to advance 10% not 25% of funds.

Approved 4-3 (CMs Salem, Miller and J. Carlucci in opposition)

AMENDMENT

1. Revise advance payment from 25% to 10%

2. Strike waiver of Code Sec. 110.112

3. Correct scrivener's errors

4. Attach revised Exhibit 2 (Scope of Services and Budget) to revise payment terms to reflect 10% advance

• Appropriates \$500,000 from a designated contingency account that was established as part of the

FY 24/25 budget process to provide funding to the Boselli Foundation, Inc.

• Funding will be used to support a mentoring program, which will serve a total of 175 youth, and a teacher fellowship program, which will impact 4,500 students and 45 teachers at 28 schools

• Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) in order to allow for direct contract with the Boselli Foundation, Inc.

• Waives Code Sec. 110.112 (Advance of City Funds; Prohibition Against) to allow for an advance payment of up to \$125,000 to the Boselli Foundation, Inc.

AUDITOR NOTE

The auditor concern regarding the 25% advance payment originally noted on agenda has been addressed by the NCSPHS Amendment.

6. [2024-0840](#) ORD Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & Corp Sec to Execute 3 Amended & Restated Community Dev Block Grant Interlocal Cooperation Agrmts with the Cities of Atlantic Beach, Jax Beach, & Neptune Beach, Respectively, to Include Language Required by the U.S. Dept of Housing & Urban Dev (HUD) & Set Forth in HUD Notice CPD-24-02, for Counties Requalifying in 2024 for FYs 25, 26, 27, & Any Renewal Periods (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
11/18/24 R Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Carlucci, Miller, Boylan, Clark-Murray, Peluso and Salem

7. [2024-0842](#) ORD Transferring \$32,696,664.00 from Gen Fund Collective Bargaining Contingency & Reducing \$5,808,869.00 from the International Association of Fire Fighters/Fraternal Order of Police Health Trust Acct within the Group Health Fund to Fund the Wage Increase Appvd by 2024-630-E for & Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Union Employees for FY 24-25; Purpose of Approp; Amend 2024-504-E, the FY 24-25 Budget Ord, to Replace Schedule B1B in Order to Auth an Increase by \$771,098 in the Local Grant Match from the City for the Community Oriented Policing Svcs - COPS Hiring Prog Grant from the U.S. DOJ/Office of Community Oriented Policing Svcs (B.T. 25-011) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Peluso, J. Carlucci, Salem, Miller, White, Freeman, Johnson & Lahnen)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
11/18/24 R Approve 8-0
11/19/24 F Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Carlucci, Miller, Boylan, Clark-Murray, Peluso and Salem

Council Member Joe Carlucci asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

8. [2024-0843](#) ORD Transferring \$19,825,414.00 from Gen Fund Collective Bargaining Contingency, Reducing \$1,459,446 From the International Assoc of Fire Fighters / Fraternal Order of Police Health Trust Acct within the Group Health Fund & Approp \$54,285.00 from Fund Balance within the Bldg Inspection Fund to Fund the Wage Increase Appvd by 2024-629-E for International Assoc of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Union Employees for FY 24-25; Purpose of Approp (B.T. 25-009) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Peluso, J. Carlucci, Salem, Miller, White, Freeman, Johnson & Lahnen)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
11/18/24 R Approve 8-0
11/19/24 F Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Carlucci, Miller, Boylan, Clark-Murray, Peluso and Salem

Council Member Joe Carlucci asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

9. [2024-0845](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 380.108 (Operation of Solid Waste Disposal or Management Facility), Pt 1 (Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity), Ch 380 (Solid Waste Management), Ord Code, to Address Types of Waste That May Be Accepted at a Solid Waste Transfer Station in Duval County & to Limit the Types of Waste Auth to Be Disposed of in the Duval County Trail Ridge Landfill; Prov for Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Arias)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, TEU
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Approve 6-1 (Peluso)
11/18/24 R Approve 7-0
11/19/24 TEU Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Carlucci, Miller, Amaro, Boylan, Clark-Murray and Salem

Nay: 1 - Peluso

Council Member Arias explained the purpose of bill to allow transfer stations the ability to process various kinds of wastes while also taking measures to limit the types of waste that can be brought from a transfer station to the City's Trail Ridge Landfill to extend the lifespan of the landfill. He said there is a site in his district with a pending application to operate a transfer station .

Eric Fuller, Public Works, explained what changes the bill makes to the Ordinance Code: transfer stations that accept waste that is required to be disposed of in a Class 1 facility shall only accept waste of those types that has been generated in Duval County; and solid waste collected by municipally contracted haulers within Duval County is not restricted from being delivered to a transfer station and is not limited in where it can be disposed of so long as the municipal wastes are not commingled with non-municipal wastes not required to be disposed of in a Class 1 facility.

Council Member Salem gave some historical context about past public objections to transfer stations and the potential for strong odors.

Mr. Fuller said that there are no transfer stations in the city currently, and that council will have final approval for the location of any transfer stations in the future.

Ms. Sickler, Public Works, explained that this bill applies to commercial haulers, not residential haulers.

• Amends Section 380.108 to allow for transfer stations to accept all types of waste and prohibit non-class 1 waste generated out of county from being deposited at Trail Ridge once accepted by a transfer station

10. [2024-0846](#) ORD Transferring \$6,000,000 btwn Expense Accts in the Chaffee Rd Project; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds within the Proj; Declaring the Public Necessity for Acquiring Fee Simple Title, Temporary Construction Easements, & Permanent Drainage Easements, through Condemnation by Right of Eminent Domain to & Over Certain Real Property in Council Dist. 12, Such Real Property Interests Being Near or Adjacent to a Portion of Chaffee Rd S Including the Properties Listed in Exhibit 1, as Required for the Chaffee Rd Widening from Normandy Blvd to I-10 Proj; Auth the Acquisition of the Properties by Negotiation or Eminent Domain; Auth the Chief of Engineering Construction Div of the Dept of Public Works to Make a Good Faith Deposit Into the Court Registry; Auth the Chief of the Real Estate Div...(B.T. 25-014) (Garrett) (Req of Mayor)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, TEU
11/4/24 NCSPHS & R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 F & TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 8-0
11/18/24 R Amend/Approve 7-0
11/19/24 F Amend/Approve 7-0
11/19/24 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Carlucci, Miller, Amaro, Boylan, Clark-Murray, Peluso, Salem and White

Mr. Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

AMENDMENT

1. Attach revised Exhibit 1 (Property List) to correct scrivener's
2. Pg. 6, line 29, strike "purchasing" and insert "acquiring"
3. Correct scrivener's

- Public Works has identified 53 affected parcels
- Authorizes acquisition of needed property through negotiated sale or eminent domain process
- Allows for offers up to 25% above appraised value and up to \$100,000 in business damages, exclusive of legal and professional fees
- Construction project is anticipated to be completed in 2028
- Waives settlement limitations in Sections 112.307 (Claims and suits brought against the City for monetary relief), 112.308 (Eminent domain), and 112.309 (Attorneys' fees) to allow for certain settlements in excess of \$50,000 without further Council approval

11. [2024-0848](#) ORD Approp \$21,465.00 From the Hazard Mitigation Grant - Safe Room - HMGP DR 4486-131-R Contingency to Hazard Mitigation Grant - Safe Room - HMGP DR 4486-131-R Engineering & Design, to be Used for Add'l Design & Engineering Costs Associated With Construction of a Hurricane Safe Room for First Responders as Originally Auth by Ord 2023-370-E; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Reflect This Approp of Funds to the Proj; Prov for City Oversight by JFRD, Emergency Preparedness Div (B.T. 25-013) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
11/19/24 F Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Carlucci, Miller, Boylan, Clark-Murray, Peluso and Salem

Scrivener's

1. Pg. 1, line 23, strike "2022-2023" and insert "2024-2025"
2. Pg. 2, lines 3 & 8, correct grammar
3. Pg. 2, line 24, strike "2022-505-E" and insert "2024-505-E"

- Extends Phase I (design) grant period through June 30, 2025, with a federal cost share of 90%
- Phase II (construction) is anticipated to cost over \$7 million and commence in FY 2025/26
- Facility will be approximately 20,000 square feet and designed to accommodate a maximum of 850 first responders
- Facility will be used as a safe room (staging area) for first responders during emergency situations and will also be utilized as a training facility

12. [2024-0851](#) ORD-MC Etab the Northeast Development Review Board; Identifying Legislative Purpose & Intent; Amend Sec 30.204 (Functions), Pt 2 (Planning Commission), Ch 30 (Planning & Development Department), Ord Code, to Provide that the Northeast Dev Review Brd Shall Review & Provide a Recommendation to the City Council Re Certain Rezoning Applications within the Northeast Development Area; Creating a New Pt 9 (Northeast Development Review Board), Ch 30 (Planning & Development Department), Ord Code, to Etab the Northeast Dev Review Brd...(Teal) (Introduced by CM Gay)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, LUZ
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
LUZ PH - 1/7/25
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

DEFER

13. [2024-0853](#) ORD Approp \$200,000 from a Special Council Contingency to the San Mateo Little League Complex - Other Construction Costs Acct to Provide Funds for Construction of a Storage Facility at the San Mateo Little League Park; Amend the 25-29 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2024-505-E to Expand the Scope of the "San Mateo Little League Complex" Proj to Include Construction of a Storage Facility & to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Proj for this Purpose (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Gay) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
10/22/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
11/4/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/6/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 5-0
11/19/24 F Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/12/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Miller, Boylan, Clark-Murray and Salem

Council Member Gay explained the bill, and he offered a floor amendment that clarified the source of funding for the project. Approved unanimously.

Council Member Clark-Murray asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

AMENDMENT

1. Revise appropriation to include \$152,362 from a Designated Special Council Contingency account and \$47,638 from Council District 2 discretionary funds from the Special Committee on Parks and Quality of Life originally appropriated by Ord. 2023-348-E

2. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to reflect revised funding source

3. Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (CIP Sheet) to reflect revised funding source

14. [2024-0873](#) ORD Approp \$75,000 From a Gen Fund Operating Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating, Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov City Grant Funding to Family Nurturing Center of Florida, Inc. (FNC) for the Visitation Sliding Scale Prog as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions From Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics and Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With FNC for the Prog; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with FNC; Waiving Certain Provisions of Sec 118.301 (Expenditure of Appropriated Funds), Pt 3 (Administration of City Grants), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow a Portion of the Grant Funds to Be Expended for Costs of Amusements, Social Activities, & Incidental Costs Relating Thereto; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City a Grant Agrmt Btwn the City & FNC for the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/18/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/19/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/26/24

READ 2ND & REREFER

15. [2024-0875](#) ORD Approp \$100,000 From a Designated Special Council Contingency to the Gen Fund Operating, Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov City Grant Funding to Wegotchu Enterprises NPO, Inc. for the Wegotchu Salud Wellness Prog as Described Herein; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with Wegotchu; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City a Grant Agrmt Btwn the City & Wegotchu for the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/18/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/19/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/26/24

READ 2ND & REREFER

16. [2024-0876](#) ORD Approp \$152,362 From a Special Council Contingency to the Council Dist 5 - Misc Activity - Other Construction Costs Acct to Prov Funds for Capital Projs & Improvements for Parks in Council Dist 5; Requiring Compliance with Sec 106.315 (District Council Expenditures), Ord Code; Prov for Oversight by the Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM J. Carlucci)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
11/18/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/19/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/26/24

READ 2ND & REREFER

17. [2024-0877](#) ORD Approp \$76,180 from Gen Fund Operating Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating, Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov City Grant Funding to Safe Future Foundation Inc for the Nourishing Communities - Food Pantry, Diaper, & Feminine Product Support Initiative as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions from Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (Gen Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with Safe Future for the Prog; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (Gen Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with Safe Future; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City a Grant Agrmt btwn the City & Safe Future for the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Freeman)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/18/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/19/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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18. [2024-0878](#) ORD Approp \$100,000 from a Gen Fund Operating Contingency Acct to the Gen Fund Operating, Subsidies & Contributions to Private Org Acct, to Prov City Grant Funding to Ronald McDonald House Charities of Jacksonville, Inc. (RMHCJ) for the Warm Meals, Warm Hearts Meal Prog as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions from Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (Gen Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With RMHCJ for the Prog; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (Gen Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with RMHCJ; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City a Grant Agrmt btwn the City & RMHCJ for the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div of the Finance Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/18/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/19/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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19. [2024-0879](#) ORD Approp \$100,000 from a Special Council Contingency to the County-Wide Tree Trimming & Median Beautification Activity - Contractual Svcs Acct to Prov Funds for Tree Trimming & Median Beautification in Duval County; Prov for Oversight by Public Works (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Amaro)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
11/18/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/19/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/19/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
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20. [2024-0883](#) ORD Approp \$250,000 From a Contingency Acct Within the KHA Fund to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Organizations Acct to Prov Funding to Walk-off Charities of Jax, Inc. for the Empowering Our Families' Youth Prog as Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions From Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With Walk-off Charities for the Prog; Waiving the Requirements of Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ch 77 (KHA), Ord Code, to Exempt the Svcs to Be Provided by Walk-off Charities From Competitive Procurement; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec, &/or the CEO of KHA to Execute & Deliver an Agrmt btwn the City or KHA & Walk-off Charities of Jax, Inc. For the Prog; Prov for Oversight by KHA; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Arias)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/18/24 NCSPHS Emergency/Approve 5-0
11/18/24 R Emergency/Approve 7-0
11/19/24 F Emergency/Approve 7-0
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EMERGENCY/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Carlucci, Miller, Boylan, Clark-Murray and Salem

Mr. Peterson explained the nature of the emergency request. Approved unanimously.

- Appropriates \$250,000 from a designated contingency account that was established as part of the FY 24/25 budget process to provide funding to Walk-Off Charities of Jax, Inc.
- Funding will be used for the Empowering our Families' Youth Program, which provides baseball clinics, leagues, and scout teams in underserved areas and will serve over 2,000 youth
- Provides a 25% advance payment upon contract execution as allowed by Sec. 77.109
- Waives the requirement in Sec. 77.111(a) that KHA provider contracts shall be competitively procured under Chapter 126, Ordinance Code, via an evaluated bid process in order to direct contract with Walk-Off Charities of Jax, Inc.
- A one cycle emergency has been requested in order to ensure the funding is available before the end of the calendar year as registrations, schedules, and procurement are being finalized by Walk-Off Charities

21. [2024-0884](#) ORD Regarding a Partial Ad Valorem Property Tax Exemption for Rehab of a Local Landmark Located at 700 E Union St, Owned by East Union Property Owner, LLC; Prov for Exemption from that Portion of Ad Valorem Taxation Levied by COJ on 100% of the Increase in Assessed Value Resulting from the Qualifying Improvement Proj, Pursuant to Sec 780.303, Ord Code; Prov for an Exemption Period of 10 Years Beginning on January 1 of the Year Following the Year in Which the Council Enacts this Ord, Pursuant to Sec 780.304, Ord Code; Waiving the Conflicting Provisions of Sec 780.303 (Historic Rehabilitation Tax Exemption) & 780.305 (Application), Pt 3 (Tax Exemption for Rehabilitation of Historic Landmarks & Properties in Historic Districts), Ch 780 (Property Tax), Ord Code, to Grant the Exemption for a Substantially Complete Proj; Waiving Sec 780.335 (Completion of Work), Pt 3 (Tax Exemption for Rehabilitation of Historic Landmarks & Properties in Historic Districts), Ch 780 (Property Tax), Ord Code, to Grant the Exemption for a Proj that was Not Completed Within 2 Years Following the Date of Appvl of the Preconstruction Application (Lopera) (Introduced by NCSPHS)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/18/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/19/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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22. [2024-0888](#) ORD Approp \$1,333,728.00 from Homelessness Initiatives Special Rev Fund Desig Contingency Accts to JFRD to Provide \$634,421.60 to Trinity Rescue Mission, Inc., \$288,970.40 to the City Rescue Mission, Inc., & \$410,336.00 to the Salvation Army to Be Used to Increase Homeless Shelter Capacity in Duval County as More Specifically Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.108(g) (Exemptions from Competitive Solicitation), Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for Direct Contracts with Trinity Rescue, City Rescue & Salvation Army; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for Direct Contracts with Trinity Rescue, City Rescue, & Salvation Army; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City, an Agrmt btwn the City & Trinity Rescue, an Agrmt btwn the City & City Rescue, & an Agrmt btwn the City & Salvation Army; Prov for Oversight by JFRD; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CMs Salem & White) (Co-Sponsors CMs Arias & Johnson)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
11/18/24 NCSPHS Emergency/Substitute/Approve 8-0
11/18/24 R Emergency/Substitute/Approve 6-0
11/19/24 F Emergency/Substitute/Approve 7-0
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ERMEGENCY/SUB/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Carlucci, Miller, Amaro, Boylan, Clark-Murray, Peluso, Salem and White

This legislation will provide funds to offset costs for renovations to existing homeless shelters for increased bed space and for operational expenses related to the increased shelter capacity, because as of October 1st, and pursuant to Section 125.0231, *Florida Statutes*, the City may not authorize or allow regular public camping and sleeping on public properties, grounds or rights-of-way. To comply with state law and to address the acute need for shelter capacity for those experiencing homelessness, additional safe places are needed to provide shelter in lieu of public sleeping.

Council Member Salem explained the emergency. Approved unanimously.

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Approved unanimously.

Council Member Salem said that, related to public camping/sleeping, since October 1st JSO has issued 272 warnings, made 16 arrests, issued 11 notices to appear, and connected 41 individuals with the Homeward Bound program that pays for transportation for unhoused individuals to their home city or location with relatives. He said that the funds in this bill will assist in complying with state law in a compassionate way, rather than just arresting anyone in violation which still costs the City money for incarceration. Council Member Salem mentioned a grant Sulzbacher received to provide 10 tiny homes to those experiencing homelessness.

Council Member Peluso asked about daytime services, as shelters are open in the evenings but folks have to leave in the morning.

Council Member Miller shared the concern about daytime shelters, and talked about the need for mental health services for this population. Chief Powers, JFRD, said that wrap-around services, including health care, are included in this approach.

There was discussion about the source of funds and not depleting the Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund, so some may remain for the Homelessness Initiatives Commission to make recommendations (after this appropriation there will roughly \$300,000 remaining in that fund).

Council Member Boylan asked about the role of hospitals and health centers city-wide, so all are not transported to shelters downtown.

Council Member Peluso talked about city-wide crisis stabilization centers, and he talked about shelter restrictions as obstacles such as pets and limited space for families.

Council Member Miller asked about other shelter restrictions for entry.

Council Member J. Carlucci noted the uncharted waters as related to navigating the new state statute, he noted that this funding should be included in JFRD's budget next year. Scott Wilson will convey that wish to the Administration.

Council Member Salem offered a floor amendment to phase in the shelter expansions so that the 44 additional beds to be provided by Trinity Rescue Mission will be available by January 1, 2025 and additional beds from the City Rescue Mission and Salvation Army will be added when needed as determined by the Fire Chief. Ms. Staffopoulos said that the capital expenses listed on the term sheets in the bill will need to be prorated and adjusted accordingly, and with such changes the floor amendment, if approved, should be rolled together with the Auditor's amendment and moved as the NCSPHS substitute. Council Member J. Carlucci expressed his support for a phased approach. Salem floor amendment approved unanimously, rolled together with the Auditor's amendment as the NCSPHS substitute.

SUBSTITUTE

1. Revise language to clarify that the 44 additional beds to be provided by Trinity Rescue Mission will be available by January 1, 2025 and additional beds from the City Rescue Mission and Salvation Army will be added when needed as determined by the Fire Chief

2. Revise Exhibit 1 (BT) to attach correct document

3. Revise Exhibit 2 (Term Sheets and Budgets) to revise term sheets for the City Rescue Mission and Salvation Army to clarify that additional beds will be funded if needed as determined by the Fire Chief and provide for prorated grant awards (operating and capital) based on actual number of beds provided

• Appropriation will be used to pay for operating and capital costs associated with making 110 additional beds available for City use in complying with F.S. 125.0231 (Public Camping and Public Sleeping) at the following locations:

- Trinity Rescue Mission - 44 beds at \$634,421.60

- City Rescue Mission - 26 beds at \$288,970.40

- Salvation Army - 40 beds at \$410,336.00

• Waives Sec. 118.107 to allow for direct contracts with Trinity Rescue Mission, City Rescue Mission, and Salvation Army

• The nature of the emergency is that there is an immediate need for additional beds to house Duval County's homeless population in order to comply with F.S. 125.0231 by January 1, 2025

- 23. [2024-0892](#)** RESO Expressing the Council's Support for Local Bill J-1, to Be Considered by the Duval County Legislative Delegation, which Would Amend Ch 87-471, Laws of FL, as Amended by Ch 2011-255, 2016-248, 2017-213, 2022-259, & 2023-342, Laws of FL, to Add a Special Event Center Zone Called "Urban Transition Area North of Park Street" to Jax, FL, So as to Provide an Exception to Sec 561.20, F.S., for Liquor Licenses for Event Centers which Have an Occupant Capacity btwn 1,100 & 1,500 People & Derive No Less than 51% of Annual Gross Income from Sale of Event Center Tickets & Food & Nonalcoholic Beverages that Are Prepared, Served, & Consumed on Such Premises within the Urban Transition Area North of Park Street; Prov for Advertising Requirements for Local Proponents; Directing the Duval Delegation Coordinator to Forward to Municode Any State Law Change which Effectuates this Request (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Peluso)
11/12/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
11/18/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/18/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

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Public Comment:

John Scott spoke in opposition to 2024-776.

Joseph Testy spoke about a Code Compliance issue.

John Nooney talked about FIND projects.

Acadia Jacob spoke in support of 2024-776.

Carolyn Zisser in support of 2024-776.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Monday, December 2, 2024.

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

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