

TARAPING THE PAST TO THE FUTURE



For the past Quarter Century, Our Goals haven't changed:

Preserve the Working Waterfront

Revitalize Commercial Fishing

Preserve the History & Cultural Heritage of Mayport Village

Support Marine Education & Research

Develop & Promote Eco-Tourism Oppportunities

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New Status, Same Mission

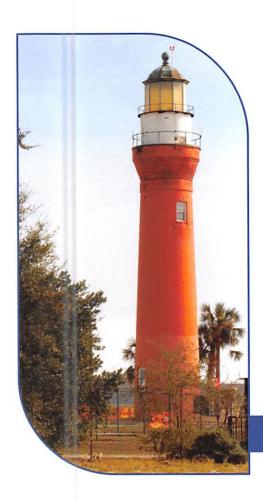
After operating as a quasi-governmental organization for its first 24 years, Mayport Waterfront Partnership (MWP) leaned into its original status as a non-profit 501(c)(3) and began to operate as an entirely independent advocate for Mayport Village in 2022. MWP's rebranding included a new logo, website, and social meda presence, as well as updated bylaws; but the mission remains the same.



MWP RECEIVES GENEROUS GRANT



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Jacksonville Municipal Code Chapter 105 Budget and Accounting Code, Part 7 Travel Expense Reimbursement

Feedback on Potential Changes

All constitutional offices and city agencies were contacted via email on 6/4/24. Reponses were received from six as follows:

Support the meal reimbursement change/No Other Suggestions

JSO/Bill Clement
Duval Clerk of Courts/Allison Luker
JEA/Randall Barnes
Tax Collector/Sherry Hall

Support the meal reimbursement change/Other Suggestions

JAA/Devin Reed and Ross Jones
JaxPort/Joe Greive

Stakeholder suggestions

- 1. Tie per diem rates to federal per diem rates
 - a. Pros: more specifically equitable, does not require legislative amendments for adjustments
 - b. Cons: would make approval and auditing of expense reports significantly more complicated
- 2. Evaluate cost of personal vehicle versus other vehicle options
 - a. Pros: Ensures cheapest option is chosen
 - b. Cons: Convenience may outweigh cost savings
- 3. Allow business class for international travel that exceeds 10 hours of flight time
 - a. Pros: Maximizes employee productivity
 - b. Cons: Costs significantly higher
- 4. Adjust allowable tips for taxis and include Uber/Lyft/other rideshare services
 - a. Pros: Ensures passengers are not poorly rated
 - b. Cons: Costs more

Recommendations:

- Leave the meal rates at the \$80 total we originally suggested.
- The request to add business class air fare for international travel is essentially covered in Sec. 106.714, which states that that reimbursements for travel outside the continental US may be reimbursed at double the normal rate.
- The wording "Taxi fare" could use updating to say "taxi and ride-hailing services".

 "Reasonable tips" might best be modified by simply removing the words "for transportation of baggage". (Sec. 106.706 (g) (1) and (5))
- The words "and Administration" needs to be removed from our department name in six places.