From: Sent: To: Subject: Brown, Cheryl Tuesday, July 28, 2020 7:04 PM CCMeeting07282020 FW: Applicant Available for 2020-309

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy Note10+, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

------ Original message ------From: Jack Shad <<u>Jack@windmilljax.com</u>> Date: 7/28/20 4:32 PM (GMT-05:00) To: "Brown, Cheryl" <<u>CLBROWN@coj.net</u>> Subject: Applicant Available for 2020-309

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Cheryl,

I am the applicant for 2020-0309.

I am watching the Council meeting and am available if there are any questions.

Thanks,

Jack Shad

From:		
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Lisa Starr <ldstarr@gmail.com> Tuesday, July 28, 2020 3:36 PM CCMeeting07282020 Oppose ord 2020-288 and 2020-289

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I strongly oppose the rezoning of Ord. 2020-288 and 2020-289. Animals and the ecosystem need this land to remain UNDEVELOPED Lisa Starr

From: Sent: To: Subject: Cassada, Steve Tuesday, July 28, 2020 4:33 PM CCMeeting07282020 Test Message

Please disregard.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Claudia Dellinger <nolesfan32207@msn.com> Tuesday, July 28, 2020 3:31 PM CCMeeting07282020 Land development

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I oppose 2020-2088 and 2020-2089

From: Sent: To: Subject: Raeganne Eastman <reastman@theexcaliburgroup.com> Tuesday, July 28, 2020 3:29 PM CCMeeting07282020 Opposing the rezoning of Ord. 2020-288 and 2020-289

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Hi I am opposing the rezoning of Ord. 2020-288 and 2020-289 for deforestation. Forests are ancient and once demolished they cannot be grown back. Please reconsider short term building for much needed oxygen spaces of Forests. I am thankful and grateful for your consideration in this matter.

Raeganne Eastman – Florida Resident 845-536-2588 raeganne@gmail.com

From:	David E Bruderly PE <bruderly@aol.com></bruderly@aol.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, July 28, 2020 2:19 PM
To:	CCMeeting07282020
Subject:	Demand that JaxPort Mitigate Damages Cr

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Created by Dredging

#### Members

For at least 7 years JaxPort, in collusion with the US Army Corps of Engineers, has delayed, deflected and denied funding designed to mitigate damages that have been and will be created by the construction and continued maintenance dredging of the JaxPort Navigation Channel in the St Johns River.

A Federal judge recently ruled that mitigation decisions are best handled by elected officials, not the courts. Unfortunately, there have been absolutely NO public meetings that would have enabled past or present members of the Jacksonville City Council to hear concerns raised by community stakeholders. After Mayor Curry disbanded Mayor Brown's Advisory Committee, the Deep Dredge Project went into a Black Hole.

Hundreds of millions of State and federal taxpayer monies were secured in back-room deals without the benefit of Florida Sunshine on the appropriation process.

NONE. This is not right.

Today JaxPort seeks Council commitments to invest some \$40 million of LOCAL taxpayer funds to this project. Those funds should NOT be committed unless and until JaxPort formally commits to engage the mitigation issue make significant investments in projects that will offset damage caused by the deep dredge project: aka more flooding, saline intrusion, loss of freshwater ecosystems and degradation of water quality.

David E. Bruderly PE-Ret. 13907 Spanish Marsh Trail Jacksonville FL 32225 352-281-2696 (m)

From:	Adam Sugalski <atsugalski@gmail.com></atsugalski@gmail.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, July 28, 2020 12:35 PM
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Subject:	Against Ord. 2020-288 and 2020-289

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Dear City Council,

My name is Adam Sugalski and I live at 12672 Meadsweet lane, 32225 which is 1/2 mile from the property that is trying to be rezoned. I am 100% against the rezoning of this property. It will increase traffic, to say the least in an already high traffic area, which is just one of the problems with the rezoning. I have lived in Jacksonville since

1991 and have seen the rampant development that is changing our city into pure urban sprawl. What is Jacksonville going to look like in 20 years? We need to keep current zoning in place to protect Jacksonville for future generations.

You can see the property on my Facebook post. There is a beautiful little creek on the property which could almost be considered wetlands. There are also Pileated woodpeckers on the property which are protected under the U.S Migratory Bird Treaty Act. (MBTA).

https://www.facebook.com/atsugalski/videos/10222506710557686/

Sincerely, Adam Sugalski (904) 236-1462

From: Sent: To: Subject: TROY SIM <bskay@comcast.net> Tuesday, July 28, 2020 11:26 AM CCMeeting07282020 Rezoning girvin road

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Ladies & Gentlemen,

Please view this, this is the beautiful area that they are wanting to tear down. Beautiful trees, wildlife and wetlands. Please reconsider. We do not want more concrete, this is rural.

https://www.dropbox.com/s/g27356uk0b5uyjv/Rezoning\_video\_1.mp4?dl=0

Troy & Bonnie Sim 12680 Meadowsweet Lane Jax FI 32225

From: Sent: To: Subject: carnell oliver <carnelloliver1985@gmail.com> Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:59 AM CCMeeting07282020 Leadership of the city

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My thoughts on the growth in the African American community involves reparation it's a hard conversation to have but it is needed as I take a look at the social justice and investment committee I see what direction that is going in but it won't tackle all the necessary problems that are going on those problems start with laws on the books. From the state level we need to ask. Job law enforcement officials sheriff Mike Williams and district attorney Melissa Nelson to help work with us to builder <u>coalition.it</u>'s hard to talk about 400 years worth of institutional racism that started physically with us working on the plantation to now into 2020 what is still engraved in our mind the social Justice and investment committee can't really do the things that needs to be done on the state and federal level but it starts here the grassrootlevel and I strongly believe that if my message is clear that things can be done to push things up the chain of command. Right here in the city I want to have open discussion about race release a conversation in which you're going to have to drink a couple of bottles of Hennessy or whiskey to be able to handle with somebody's has to say. We need criminal Justice reform on the state level we need elected officials in Tallahassee to take up reparation for African Americans and I stay I would hope that city council can send a resolution so that I let live officials and I know these delegation can carry it. This Carnell Oliver thank you and goodbye

From:	Valerie Britt <valeriebritt76@yahoo.com></valeriebritt76@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, July 28, 2020 5:58 AM
То:	CCMeeting07282020
Cc:	Valerie Britt; Matthews, Jessica; Brown, Cheryl
Subject:	Ord 2020-288 (L-5425-19C) (LDR to MDR FLUM Amendment)
Attachments:	L-5425-19C-Web-Notice.pdf

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To: All Jacksonville City Council Members For 7/28/20 Public Hearing From: Valerie Britt RE: Ord 2020-288 (L-5425-19C) (LDR to MDR FLUM Amendment)

## **I RECOMMEND DENIAL OF GIRVIN RD FLUM ADOPTION ORDINANCE 2020-288**

Ordinance 2020-288 presents a legislative policy decision for the Council as to whether to change the map category of the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan in Planning District 2 over community objections and in contrast with community character & vision, for the benefit of private financial interests.

While the FLUM of the area proposed for MDR is currently low density single family LDR, the acreage currently exists as a heavily wooded **<u>rural</u>** area with wetlands and with only 1 previously declared single family homestead per multiple acres.

By the ITE code, approving MDR at this rural 2-parcel site would have a development potential of 116 apartments and generate 849 daily trips for a car dependent development. (Because the City allows up to 20 apartment units per gross acre in MDR instead of ITE's 15, the unit & trip numbers could actually be higher if the City legislatively changes its policy to allow a new MDR FLUM category here.)

It appears the original applicant may no longer be a party and that the companion rezoning for 100 multifamily units may eventually present as a different project. That uncertainty of a companion rezoning presents more, not less, reason to recommend denial of this small scale FLUM. Approving the MDR map category of 2020-288 would pave the way at this site for an incompatible variety of multifamily and apartment complex zoning options for up to 20 apartment units per gross acre.

I am a property owner in Planning District 2, a neighborhood volunteer, a Duval County resident and have been a member of the American Planning Association for around 20 years; I am currently a member of the North Carolina, Virginia, and Florida Chapters of APA.

I submitted comments & objections regarding the proposed FLUM amendment to both the Planning Department's Citizens Information Meeting on 6/29 & to the 7/23 Planning Commission Meeting where action was deferred; I incorporate those here by reference and as submitted to the City Council File Of 2020-288. I intend to address more specific concerns with the proposed comprehensive plan change at meetings where action is anticipated.

Respectfully Submitted, Valerie Britt P.O. Box 49209 Jacksonville Beach, FL 32240 cc FILES FLUM Adoption Ordinance 2020-288 Attachments: Notices for FLUM



From:	Susan <susaninflorida@gmail.com></susaninflorida@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 27, 2020 8:29 PM
То:	CCMeeting07282020; Boylan, Michael
Cc:	Jones, Warren A.; Hershey, Lori O.; Joyce, Charlotte D.; Grymes, Cheryl G.; Willie, Darryl D.; Andersen, Elizabeth
	A.; Smith Juarez, Ashley T.
Subject:	2020-511

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The city council is giving \$28,844,956 to the Kids Hope Alliance for subsidies and contributions to private organizations if 2020-511 passes. It is on the agenda for the July 28 city council meeting.

Shouldn't the city council review how those funds are being spent? Isn't this giving the Mayor too much power especially after the allocations that were made involving Brian Hughes and the KHA? Excerpt from bill:

The Mayor, or his designee, and the Corporation Secretary, are hereby authorized to execute Agreements and all other contracts and documents and otherwise take all necessary action in connection therewith and herewith.

Why is a charter school getting special consideration in this bill? All low income parents with kids in public schools need extra help to pay for extended day school.

Thanks, Susan Aertker Zip: 32257

From: Sent: To: Subject: Susan <susaninflorida@gmail.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 8:12 PM CCMeeting07282020; Boylan, Michael please make this part of the record for the July 28th city council meeting regarding 2020-510

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ORDINANCE 2020-510 Why can't businesses pay for their own advertising? Why do they need the taxpayers' money?

Thank you, Susan Aertker Zip: 32257

From: Sent: To: Subject: Susan <susaninflorida@gmail.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 5:38 PM CCMeeting07282020 I oppose 2020-377

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Please make this a part of the July 28th city council meeting.

I oppose 2020-377, JAXPORT's request for "Emergency Approval" to fast track a funding bill for the dredging. Based on these answers in 2019 by City Council Candidates, I assume they also will be voting no.

2019 City Council Candidate Q & A

Question: Experts say that dredging the St. Johns River could intensify storm surge, having significant impacts for flood zones throughout the city, including downtown. Do you support the dredging project even if it does not include funding or either 1) a study to further explore this issue or 2) mitigation work to better protect these vulnerable areas?

Ron Salem, At-Large Group 2:

"Supports dredging for the port but there needs to be money for mitigation."

Scott Wilson, District 4:

"It is our obligation to study the impacts it will create for the St. Johns River and its tributaries. I support studying the issues and *developing a plan* to protect the vulnerable areas."

Michael Boylan, District 6:

"The St. Johns River is a vital community asset that needs to be preserved and protected. It is in the best interest of all of our citizens for any plans that involve dredging to include a comprehensive analysis of its impact and a *funding plan to support mitigation efforts* should it be necessary."

Reggie Gaffney, District 7: "I do support dredging, but we need to make it safe. We know we need to clean up the river."

Brenda Priestly Jackson, Council District 10:

"I support dredging because of the economic benefits with the express caveat that we have **a defined mitigation fund** to address resident's needs as well as biz needs."

2019 Candidate Questionnaires

Question: There currently are no funds set aside for mitigation. Should there be?

Terrance Freeman, At-Large Group 1:

"We should partner with the stakeholders, including the Army Corps of Engineers and the St. Johns River Keeper, to ensure that it is done safely, carefully, and with care to ensure that our river is kept beautiful for future generations."

Ron Salem, At-Large Group 2:

"I do support the deepening of the St. John's and am supportive of mitigation funds once identified."

Matt Carlucci, At-Large Group 4:

"I am not convinced the mitigation currently contemplated by the Corps of Engineers is adequate to protect the St. Johns River and coastal waters. Getting mitigation for the dredge right is important for the long-term health of

## the St. Johns and to address the issue of sea level rise and flooding."

Michael Boylan, District 6:

"A balance needs to be created....It would be financially supporting the dredging effort but with a concomitant commitment to both closely monitor the impact of such dredging on the whole ecosystem and to set aside funds to mitigate such damage going forward."

Ju'Coby Pittman, District 8: "Yes, there should be funds set aside."

Brenda Priestly Jackson, District 10:

"I support deepening or dredging of the St. John's River with the express condition that a mitigation fund is established or funded with the local and federal efforts to finance the dredging."

Randy DeFoor, District 14:

"Thus any ideas coming before City Council for financial support should be expected to pass a cost benefit analysis....Any environmental impacts should be addressed by mitigation which is routine in such matters. The river is our biggest resource: economically, socially, aesthetically and environmentally."

Thanks, Susan Aertker Zip: 32257

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Susan <susaninflorida@gmail.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 5:03 PM CCMeeting07282020 please put this as part of 2020-369 for the city council meeting on July 28

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I am opposed to 2020-369 which gives \$631,018 to the charter school Jax Alliance for KIPP School, Inc.

If you have extra money to give, then please develop a plan to give to the neighborhood and magnet schools in an equitable fashion. Please don't single out a charter school.

Jason Fischer co-sponsored a bill requiring us to give part of our sales tax money to private investors who own buildings that house charter schools less than 20 years old when we were wanting to renovate taxpayer owned buildings over 50 years old.

The city doesn't need to give extra money to charter schools especially as the neighborhood schools are trying to figure out how they are going to provide the funds to keep the class size small enough for the desks to be six feet apart until there is a safe and effective vaccine available to fight against covid-19.

I was told (by someone that read the article at the below link) that the KIPP chain got \$60 million in 4 ways: 1) CARES 2) PPP small business 3) PPP sponsoring organizations 4) PPP management companies Source of information: https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2020/business/sba-ppp-data/

Thanks, Susan Aertker Zip: 32257

From: Sent: To: Subject: Nicole Christensen <ncsc082094@gmail.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 1:41 PM CCMeeting07282020 re: 2020-288 and 2020-289

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To whom it may concern,

I would like to submit my concerns about the rezoning of the property on Girvin Road,

I live in a subdivision on Girvin road and feel adding this type of housing is not in the best interest of our area. We just got our road widened to help the flow of traffic and this will add more traffic. Do not want to lose all the trees. Having an apartment complex will lower our property value and I am not in favor of that. But most of all having apartments come with the uncertainty of the type of renters. I am afraid of more crime, dangers with speeders, and scared for the safety of the kids around here that like to ride or walk up to the park or to their school, due to they would have to pass this area.

If a developer wanted to use that to make 2 or 3 homes to sell that would be a better fit, but not an apartment complex. I have family and friends that live in apartment complexes and they constantly complain of issues and that is not what we want near our homes.

Kindly,

Nicole Christensen

From: Sent: To: Subject: Belinda Soriano <bbsoriano@yahoo.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 1:20 PM CCMeeting07282020 Rezoning

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Dear City Council Members,

Please oppose land us Order 2020-288 & rezoning 2020-289 at Girvin Rd.

Thank you, Belinda Soriano 251 Dusky Rose CT Jacksonville, FL 32225

From:	Krista E. Burby <kburby@drivermcafee.com></kburby@drivermcafee.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 27, 2020 12:42 PM
To:	CCMeeting07282020
Cc:	Cyndy K. Trimmer
Subject:	Questions only for 7/28 City Council Meeting (2020-0390)

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Good afternoon,

Please allow this email to serve as notice that Cyndy Trimmer will be available for questions only on behalf of the applicant for 2020-0390 at the July 28, 2020 City Council meeting.

For the record her address is One Independent Dr., Ste 1200, Jacksonville, FL 32202 (904) 301-1269. She is in support of this application.

Sincerely,

Krista Burby Paralegal



Driver, McAfee, Hawthorne & Diebenow, P.L. One Independent Drive, Suite 1200 Jacksonville, Florida 32202 Direct: (904) 807-8213 Fax: (904) 301-1279 E-Mail: <u>kburby@drivermcafee.com</u>

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Krista E. Burby <KBurby@drivermcafee.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 12:41 PM CCMeeting07282020 Cyndy K. Trimmer Questions only for 7/28 City Council Meeting (2020-0383 and 2020-0384)

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Sincerely,

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Krista E. Burby <KBurby@drivermcafee.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 12:40 PM CCMeeting07282020 Cyndy K. Trimmer Questions only for 7/28 City Council Meeting (2020-0330 and 2020-0331)

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Sincerely,

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Cc:	Cyndy K. Trimmer
Subject:	Questions only for 7/28 City Council Meeting (2020-0262)

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Sincerely,

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Cc:	Cyndy K.
Subject:	Speaker

Krista E. Burby <KBurby@drivermcafee.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 12:35 PM CCMeeting07282020 Cyndy K. Trimmer Speaker for 7/28 City Council Meeting (2020-0290 and 2020-0291)

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Sincerely,

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Subject:	Speaker for 7/28 City Council Meeting (2020-0279)

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Sincerely,

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From:	Terry Wanbaugh <terrywanbaugh@yahoo.com></terrywanbaugh@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 27, 2020 12:14 PM
To:	CCMeeting07282020; Danford, Joyce; Bowman, Aaron; Wilson, Scott; Cumber, LeAnna; Boylan, Michael;
	Gaffney, Reginald; Pittman, JuCoby; Dennis, Garrett; Jackson, Brenda; Becton, Daniel; White, Randy; Diamond,
	Rory; DeFoor, Randle; Freeman, Terrance; Salem, Ronald; Hazouri, Thomas; Carlucci, Matthew; Newby, Samuel
Subject:	LUZ Applications 2020-288 & 2020-289

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#### Dear Council Members,

I have previously sent this email to Councilman Bowman, but I wish to ensure all Council members are aware of my comments.

I wish to express my opposition to the proposed rezoning application regarding this property on Girvin Road. The land is currently zoned RR-A LDR, and the rezoning asks to change to PUD-MDR. This is a drastic increase in capacity for this property and is too intense a change in zoning for this property. This rezoning does not conform with the City of Jacksonville's smart growth principle of compact and compatible growth with the surrounding area.

This proposed rezoning should be considered "spot rezoning" and not in character with the land immediately adjacent to the subject property and the single family housing developments off of Girvin Road. This rezoning application would create an urban sprawl pattern not in conformance with the surrounding housing developments. Such an intense change in zoning, and subsequent development would result in a decrease in property values to neighboring single family housing, and a decrease in tax revenue to the City of Jacksonville

There are environmental concerns regarding this rezoning as well. There are Gopher Tortoises on this property. These turtles are protected in the State of Florida. The property is heavily wooded with a small stream running along the back edge of the property. The property should be considered an urban forest. The leaves on the trees process carbon emissions from vehicles and helps keep air pollution at a minimum. This process also ensures that the neighboring single family housing developments benefit from cleaner air. Such a drastic change in zoning would negate the positive effect this property has on air quality in the area.

With the recent widening of Girvin Road, the amount of traffic traveling this road has increased During the construction of Girvin, there was an increase in cut through traffic on Ivy Lena Road, and the streets in Hickory Creek subdivision With such an increase in zoning, and subsequent development, there would be an increase in cut through traffic in Hickory Creek subdivision that would be excessive and unacceptable. More traffic would mean more accidents on Girvin Road.

Of the two parcels that comprise the 7.7 acre property, only one parcel has access to Givrin Road. The other parcel is land locked. The way Girvin Road is now configured, entrance into the property and exit from the property must be done as right hand turns. Any attempt to make a left hand turn onto Girvin would be illegal.

In conversations with homeowners that surround this property, no one is in favor of this rezoning. I urge you to listen to the voices of the people who elected you to represent them, and recognize this rezoning is not acceptable to the citizens of Jacksonville.

Thank you. Terry Wanbaugh 703-508-9867 (phone/text) terrywanbaugh@yahoo.com 12550 Rock Rose LNW Jacksonville, FL 32225

From: Sent: To: Subject: Stanley Doc Scott <doc3507@msn.com> Monday, July 27, 2020 11:58 AM CCMeeting07282020 FW: Equality, Ethic, and Social Policy - City Council Social Justice & Community Investment Special Committee

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Subject: RE: Equality, Ethic, and Social Policy

Greetings, to all on this email.

City Council Social Justice & Community Investment Special Committee

July 27, 2020

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Please join the meeting by 11:20 A.M.)

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My name is Stanley Scott, the Managing Director of the African American Economic Recovery Think Tank, LLC. The purpose of this email concerns the City Government lack of Equality, Empathy, Courage, and Ethics to addressing social engagement and social policy components: The #AAERTT research shows Jacksonville City Council lacks the social policy leadership to advocate, support, and encourage social engagement policies and funding to achieve One City, One Jacksonville. African American leaders lack the tenacity to demand equality of outcome for their African American constituents. Every agreement made by Consolidation for the African American community has been broken by Caucasian Political male leadership in City and State government.

"Social policy is <u>policy</u> usually within a governmental or political setting, such as the <u>welfare state</u> and study of <u>social</u> <u>services.[1]</u>

A social policy consists of guidelines, principles, legislation, and activities that affect the living conditions conducive to <u>human welfare</u>, such as a person's <u>quality of life</u>. [2] The Malcolm Wiener Center for Social Policy at <u>Harvard</u> <u>University</u> describes the social policy as "public policy and practice in the areas of <u>health care</u>, human services, <u>criminal justice</u>, <u>inequality</u>, <u>education</u>, and labor".[3] Social policy might also be described as actions that affect the well-being of members of a society through shaping the distribution of and access to goods and resources in that society.[4] Social policy often deals with <u>wicked problems.[5]</u>

The discussion of 'social policy' in the <u>United States</u> and <u>Canada</u> can also apply to governmental policy on social issues such as tackling <u>racism,[6] LGBT</u> issues (such as <u>same-sex marriage)[7]</u> and the legal status of <u>abortion,[8] guns,[9] euthanasia,[10] recreational drugs[11]</u> and <u>prostitution.[12]</u> In other countries, these issues would be classified under <u>health policy</u> and <u>domestic policy</u>. "

Stanford Social Review Innovation Measuring Social Impact The Need for Accountability 'Governments are finding it difficult to provide the necessary resources to address social and environmental issues, and the burden is increasingly borne by nongovernmental service organizations, foundations, impact investors, and companies. Those donating to or investing in these organizations are reasonably asking for more accountability for the invested resources—as are beneficiaries and communities that have significant unmet needs. Further, when governments provide tax benefits for these investments, it is reasonable to demand that the money be wisely invested to create as much social impact as possible."

## **AAERTT Executive Summary**

What is AAERTT? Social Policy and Strategic Intervention Think Tank Community and Business Life Support Apparatus

A. Bridging Community leaders, organizations, families, and communities to local, state, and federal resources and information impacting their Quality of Life, Community, and Business Ownership.

B. Assessment of the true needs and wants of community and business leaders in communities from the ground–up. The AAERTT works directly with community leaders to develop and implement strategies for Community and Economic Development Stabilization and Sustainability Initiatives.

C. Impacting and Bonding families, communities, and businesses nationwide by developing and implementing collective strategy's increasing Quality of Life growth, wealth stabilization, and sustainability perpetuated by the community and business ownership.

1. The Family Infrastructure – Parenting

a. The need for increased accountability and value proposition per dollar and time from the Non-Profit Service Providers in Jacksonville. History shows the lack of increased return for the Billions of dollars spend by City, State, the federal government, and Non-profit funders. Accountability for over 8 billion per year in North Florida.

b. The need for more paid trained male mentors in conflict resolution leadership.

c. Home Economics classes for all city, state, and federal assistance recipients between 18 to 65 years old.

d. City Leadership advocating for the Whole Family Infrastructure (parenting and co-parenting).

- 2. Afrocentric Education Matters
- a. More Male Teachers.
- b. The need for Afrocentric Education/Curriculum from Pre-K up to 6 grade.
- c. The need for more African American parental participation in the schools.
- d. The need for more free adult STEAM career education for 2020 and beyond.
- 3. Preventive Health

a. African American Mental Health pathology is not the same as the Caucasian Race in Jacksonville. White Supremacy, Slavery, Civil Wars, Special Order Field 15 Bamboozle, Sharecropping, Lynching, burning down over 100 wealthy African American communities, Jim Crow Laws, Three National Assassination (Evers, Martin, and Malcolm), Republicans diminishes of Civil Rights gains, Integration and Consolidation bamboozled in Jacksonville, Florida caused by Evil Caucasian Male leaders and JSO. Too often the narrative highlights African American pathology instead of Caucasian Global pathology. Caucasian racism affects every area of African American life, holistically. In Jacksonville, Florida most to the mental health dollars goes to the Caucasian community for Opioid; housing, and foods in Jacksonville. Less than 10 percent is spent in the African American community. Racism was/is force trauma, poverty, and murders for 400 years of hate. The failure of leadership political, medical, education, media, and justice perpetuates the illusion of Justice for all.

b. A citywide mandate to eliminate food deserts.

c. A city mandate to eliminate septic tanks on the north bank, first.

d. A city, state, and a federal mandate to eliminate unhealthy food from the Florida Department of Children & Families.

4. Cooperative Economics – Building Together

a. The failure of the COJ Economic Development Department to create Bi-weekly business Development Workshops to inspire, educate, inform, and match present and future entrepreneurs and investors together for economic growth.

b. The failure of the Non-Profit Funders to demand business development learning and training in underserved neighborhoods speaks volumes about Non-profit leader's understanding and ethics for self-reliance methodology.

c. The #AAERTT research shows the lack of empathy (since 1975) for Business Development in the African American community in Jacksonville Urban Core is stymies by African American Faith-based, Political and Educational leadership ignorance, and classism since Consolidation.

d. The need for African American Participatory Leadership in the North Bank Urban Core Districts 7, 8, 9, 10, and 1 (Arlington) to grow requires subject matter experts in Business/Community Development for small businesses, not City Council members and staff. It the duty of the Mayor to show leadership in working with African American entrepreneurs, community investors, and banks.

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Subject: RE: 2020, Racism is still a problem.

# Jacksonville leaders fear perception of intolerance may carry economic price. 2020, Racism is still a problem.

Some say the sentiments can carry a heavy economic price.

**Posted:** May 4, 2010 - 11:47pm

Comments attachment included

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#### Moments of tolerance, intolerance

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A city Human Rights Commission study found rampant discrimination against gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people in Jacksonville. Some saw the study's existence as a positive step. But it has yet to yield changes to the city's anti-discrimination ordinance.

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#### By Deirdre Conner

In the room when the Jacksonville City Council <u>debated the appointment of Parvez Ahmed</u>, a Muslim scholar and university professor, there were a lot of people holding their breath.

Ben Warner, deputy director of the Jacksonville Community Council Inc., said he heard from many who said they just hoped the story wouldn't "get out" of Jacksonville.

"Everybody is just praying, 'Keep it off Drudge,'" he said, referring to The Drudge Report, a news aggregation site with a national following.

So far, the story hasn't gone national. But those fears illustrate a broader concern about the price of perception. If Jacksonville develops a reputation as being less tolerant, could it have deeper economic ramifications?

Throughout the Ahmed controversy that culminated in the April 27 meeting, many wondered whether it would tarnish the city's image. Already, the story had locals buzzing after Councilman Clay Yarborough <u>told Times-Union columnist</u> <u>Mark Woods</u> he would prefer gays not hold public office, and he wasn't sure whether Muslims should either.

Then, during the meeting, another councilman, Don Redman, called Ahmed to the podium and asked him to pray to his God, leading some in the audience to gasp audibly and sending a city attorney rushing to speak with Redman privately before he went any further.

Ahmed was confirmed on the city Human Rights Commission - though a third of the council opposed the appointment - leaving some to wonder whether they could exhale.

If the city wants to develop an international reputation to build economic engines such as the port or the Mayo Clinic, a welcoming face is necessary, said Matthew Corrigan, political science chairman at University of North Florida.

"There's a moral reason, but there's also an economic reason," he said.

Stories such as the Ahmed controversy or the failed renaming of Nathan B. Forrest High School can portray the city in a negative light. Whether it's fair or not, cities competing for businesses and talent can use that against Jacksonville, Corrigan said.

"You could argue there's more important things going on at Forrest High than the name right now," he said. "But from an outsiders' perspective, having it named after the founder of the Ku Klux Klan is going to be used against us."

Perceptions of intolerance and crime are listed as a possible threat in Visit Jacksonville's most recent strategic plan: "Crisis communications issues such as ... race relations are negatively impacting the perception of the city as a safe and welcoming destination."

Yet Lyndsay Rossman, spokeswoman for Visit Jacksonville, said race relations "never come up" as an issue for visitors.

"We don't look at it as deterring people from coming to Jacksonville," she said.

Rossman said the issue was included in the plan simply to be sensitive to Jacksonville's past. She pointed to an initiative that recruits multicultural groups to hold conventions in Jacksonville. Bookings by such groups through the visitors' bureau jumped from eight in 2005 to 46 in 2008. There were another 18 groups booked for 2009, after the economic collapse, and 29 groups are set for this year.

"We just haven't been seeing race relations ... being an issue," she said.

One of the chief questions for cities is how race relations and economic prosperity are linked - and which causes which, said David Denslow, an economist with the Bureau of Business and Economic Research at the University of Florida.

"You can look at places in the South that have dwelled on these issues," he said. "Do they stay tied up in race because they are poor? Or does it make them stay backward?"

For his part, Denslow sees Jacksonville becoming a more progressive place.

Still, recent events have some locals worried.

Diane Brunet-Garcia, president of Brunet-Garcia Advertising, which does a lot of multicultural marketing work, said she is concerned about recruiting creative professionals to the city and keeping homegrown talent.

"I look at the young people who I think naturally are more tolerant," she said. "They see issues like this happening in their hometown, and why would they want to stay here?"

She said she followed the Ahmed appointment closely and compared it to a small-scale version of the uproar over the immigration law in Arizona, which has been decried as racist and led to the call for boycotts of the state.

"I fear for the same kind of situation for Jacksonville," Brunet-Garcia said. "It does have a very negative effect on our brand."

And with the rise of the Internet, such issues have a longer shelf life and a wider reach.

When Redman asked Ahmed to pray at the podium, local tweeters - those using the social media site Twitter tend more toward the young and well-educated - reacted with horror. Two days after the meeting, dozens of tweets could be found on Twitter's search engine calling the incident embarrassing or shameful. Liberal and conservative blogs picked up on the issue, weighing in on both sides.

Redman later apologized for his actions, but did not regret his "no" vote.

The recent Ahmed controversy had Brunet-Garcia, who has worked extensively with the local Hispanic chamber, feeling disheartened after what she called many years of progress in making Jacksonville more progressive and tolerant.

"The degree of polarization and anger really took me by surprise," she said.

UNF President John Delaney called the Ahmed appointment a teachable moment. On the one hand, there are uglier elements, he said, such as a cartoon circulating that depicted Ahmed as a terrorist and his City Council supporters in burgas.

On the other hand, there was a time in Jacksonville when Ahmed would never have been nominated to the Human Rights Commission, Delaney said.

"I think it's going to blow over," he said of the story.

Even if it does, effects of the past linger. Perceptions of race could have an impact on tourism or recruiting minority business owners, said Carlton Robinson, president of the First Coast African American Chamber of Commerce.

"There are some things of a historic nature that maybe our region has not been able to shed," he said.

But Robinson said he's also seen more people working to help Jacksonville shed that perception, such as greater cooperation among chambers of commerce and efforts to increase civic engagement.

Ultimately, Robinson said, such discussions are needed, especially when asking whether race plays a part in decisions.

"Many times race may be a secondary or third factor ... but if we don't get an explanation, we're left to assume," he said.

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Subject: RE: Sheriff's office: Expanding role, high cost

A newly-formed Jacksonville City Council committee will be dedicated toward social injustices, law enforcement, and economic development.

"What we do must transcend every new council and every new mayor," incoming City Council President Tommy Hazouri said.



Stanley Scott Bull@#\$%, Ask Ronald Reagan said here we go again, more folly. I know CCM Hazouri personally for over 20 years. This is not a collective value proposition. It is an independent value proposition and must be addressed and eliminated by the Caucasian race. The only people to address inequalities are Caucasians. It's a Caucasian problem and its global. When it comes to the Sheriff it's not JSO to solve it It's the Governor and City Council Budget priorities perpetuated by greed and race. A half-billion-dollar sheriff department. If nothing else Jacksonville needs a city police department and a sheriff department for the county. Push the lack of civic engagement at meetings to add cronyism, nepotism, career-politicians, and citizenry ignorance. The City is full of Authorities and Commissions and caters to a select few south of the North Bank Downtown. Tommy Hazouri and other city council members past and present should already know the causes and the effect of evil in Jacksonville. That kind of thinking made the victim (African Americans) guilty.

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## STORY UPDATED AT 10:02 AM ON SATURDAY, JUL. 11, 2009

Several recent news items about the cost of Jacksonville Sheriff's Office services for security at a local summer camp, providing school resource officers for Duval County public schools, and the city of Jacksonville's generous police/fire pension plan raise concerns beyond the debate on a property tax increase.

In each case, the costs are proving unsustainable for the city, especially given the ever-expanding spectrum of services JSO seeks to provide beyond core municipal law enforcement.

On everything from sports programs at Police Athletic League to officers in local schools to providing transitional services for ex-offenders, JSO has arguably grown well beyond its core mission.

While these are all laudable services, the nonprofit sector has proven dramatically more cost-effective than civil service employees at providing these services. We have failed to adequately grow the nonprofit sector in Jacksonville, however, because we continuously hold public safety harmless in our budget conversations.

Ultimately, resolution of these issues cannot be reached it seems to me, without having a broader conversation about the continuing efficacy of having an independently elected sheriff as a constitutional officer of the "consolidated" local government.

Because JSO is run by an elected official, the organization is a de facto autonomous branch of government.
JSO determines its own (often duplicative) grant applications, taxpayer-subsidized contract for-hire services for supplemental security and essentially sets its own rates.

Unlike other consolidated city/county governments of our size, however - including Charlotte, Nashville and Indianapolis who all have appointed police chiefs - Jacksonville since "consolidation" has had as its chief law enforcement officer an independently elected official.

While local sheriffs are usually elected, it is the exception and not the rule that these officials also operate the metropolitan police service.

Usually, an elected sheriff operates the jail and provides security for the court system - that's it.

My opinion is that government knows how to do one thing well - expand. If this city is truly about "small government," it would seem to me that "consolidation" means fewer elected officials, rather more of them.

If we are going to keep things as they are, at least have government (JSO) compete with the private sector for all of their awards.

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Hello, David McGowan, President, and CEO of WJCT, Radio Talk Show Host Melissa Ross and the WJCT staff. "An individual has not started living until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity. *Martin Luther King, Jr.*"

I write this with no personal malice to anyone including the CEO and President, Melissa Ross, and staff. I am impressed, elated, and support Melissa Ross Show. Melissa Rowe is a treasurer to the Jacksonville community. I salute her outstanding work especially the JEA Money Grab, despicable. Mrs. Ross has the power to write numerous books but what, Mrs. Ross and the majority of us don't know can fill the Library of Congress. Critical Thinking dialogue has no race and not exclusive to a few in Jacksonville. Critical thinking, equality for all, and ethics are MIA in Jacksonville and this nation.

*First,* I would like to introduce myself, my name is Stanley Doc Scott, a native of Jacksonville, Florida, growing up with both parents. My father worked for the Jacksonville Railroad Terminal then CSX. My mother manager 12 siblings and home successfully. I grew up as a youth and teenager at 507 North Street, downtown North Bank. As a child, I witnessed policemen brutalizing young men and running through shotgun houses without a warrant or showing respect, Dale Carson, the father. As a child, I was present the day AXE Handle Saturday took place. I was walking toward downtown when I saw people rushing from Hemming Park. I stop in front of the old Federal Reserve Bank Building and ran home. Factual History shows the Police maliciously contributed to the problem, not the solution as long as it benefits the Caucasian thugs. Some of those same Caucasian thugs murdered an innocent African American mother in cold-blood that night. As a former student of the Duval Country Public School. I attended Ribault Senior High School during the race riots in 1970 through 1971. I salute all the African American staff and teachers of that time for their backbones, courage, and tenacity during those evil times. In 1970, my first exposure to racism was at Ribault Sr High in 1970. After high school, I joined the US Navy, not drafted, because my older three brothers and my nephew joined before me, Korean and Vietnam. When I joined the Navy, the first duty station I was shipmate with my late brother, Eric Scott, an honorable member of the USS Roosevelt CVA42 (Rosie) in the <u>Mediterranean Sea</u>.

My first international exposure to racism and hatred was in the Navy. While aboard the USS Roosevelt CVA 42, I joined with 20 or more African American men and we stood in protect on the Flight Deck at the end of the catapults against Racism and the rights to equal opportunities in rate and classification. While at NAS VP56, I fought for equal opportunities and won at <u>Naval Air Station Keflavik</u>. **Iceland for equal accommodation in entertainment**.

In 1979, I filed and won nine counts of a discrimination case against my Commanding Officer at NAS Jax VP 54. I was an honorable Discharge and started my own business as a civilian contractor for 15 plus years with the US Military. As a single father with a baby son, we both work together to achieve a middle-class lifestyle on the east and west coast USA successfully. I returned to Jacksonville in 1994 and slowly got entrench into civic and social engagement citywide. Since that time, I have been highly educated in Civic and Social Engagement by one of the oldest living Civil Rights leader/Social Policy Expert/Mentor Edward Exson Sr, for over 20 successful years. Presently the Managing Director of the African American Economic Recovery Think Tank, LLC in Jacksonville, Florida. I do not need to use another name to advocate for truth or dialogue, Mrs. Ross.

My main reason for my brief introduction email (I have numerous personal and professional skills and talents, Mrs. Ross) concerns the lack of respect and the marginalization of critical thinking from the African American community leaders, community activists, and subject matter experts. The lack of opportunities for African Americans regardless of a political party to contribute collectively to this city, state, and mass media is stymied by race, cronyism, nepotism, and ignorance. African Americans applied subject matter expertise in the City and State Government, Education, Business and Community Development in Jacksonville and surrounding counties hurt the equality of outcome for all, holistically. Jacksonville and surrounding county's African American demographics are over 300,000 plus citizens.

"A quote is taken from the WJCT website...From our first television broadcast in September 1958 and the first radio broadcast in April 1972, we have worked to reflect and respond to the many voices of our First Coast community with distinction, balance, and respect. We appreciate the power of public broadcasting and honor our heritage by remaining responsive to citizens of all ages, abilities, cultures, and values."

I have been listening to National PBS/NPR Shows since childhood on the local PBS in Jacksonville. As a stakeholder, Jacksonville PBS does not address local African American concerns today nor allow opposing views. An African American city and state government representatives or department head is not a representative of the African American

community. African American representatives represent a district, segment of a community, or party, not a race. We are not monolithic people.

"The WJCT Vision – Our vision for WJCT is to be regarded as an indispensable community resource, connecting citizens to content, sharing ideas, and setting the standards through which the community learns and grows."

As the Managing Director of the AAERTT, LLC, a national known Think Tank, we have never been asked to be on a panel or respond to our four concerns sent directly to the CEO and President **David McGowan** (dmcgowan@wjct.org) and Melissa Ross (firstcoastconnect@wjct.org) on numerous occasions concerning the self-inflicted, overt and covert civic and social pathology in Jacksonville overall hindering the city growth. The present lack of empathy, ethics, nepotism, civic and social engagement during a prime-time and at night show concerning Jacksonville good and bad pathology. Not only about African American's concerns but citywide. Regardless of the malicious attempt to silence our activism and applied critical thinking knowledge, the AAERTT 40 plus years of participation citywide in running Jacksonville government we are here to stay by any means possible. We have imperative evidence to show and implement four strategic components to decreasing pathology and increase the quality of life in Jacksonville, collectively.

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In closing, WJCT is not alone in America. You see the shift of power nationwide in the courts, employment, wages, healthcare, and economics. It is not just raced anymore, but the politically connected (the haves) and ignorant citizenry (have nots) in Jacksonville, Fl. The voting numbers across the board speak for themselves. Allow with the New Pork Chop Gang in City Government, Jacksonville is the home of the recycle politicians from City Hall, School Board, City Entities, and Side Deals after leaving Office then back to City Hal with a bucket load of pensions for life.

As an African American, I believe in charity begins at home as long as it ethical for both parties. Our imperative data shows the African American community narrative is an afterthought in the Mass Media. The lack of exposure to serious dialogue by opposing organizations or businesses hurt the city civically and socially engagement negatively overall. The lack of diversity in entertainment is racist in Jacksonville. African American history in Jacksonville has been eliminated Downtown. The lack of respect toward African American veterans dead or living is evil for a Public Broadcasting Station. The lack of outside events on the parking lot of WJCT shows the lack of Creativity for all residents. With all the resources WJCT and the City leaders have especially with social media communication, I am disappointed in the lack of open dialogue at night and weekend to empower our community holistically and collectively. The lack of local civic and social engagement speaks volumes about the lack of diversity in the programming. One City, One Jacksonville slogan has the same mindset as the creators of Jacksonville's Consolidation Government. The At-Large City Council members are unethical and racist to all African American citizens. The paramount goal is to keep African Americans as second-class citizens with no equity or power in deciding the city's future now or in the future. The greatest example of racism is the Confederate Statue in front of the old Jacksonville Landing said it all, Keep Jacksonville's White.

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From: "Diamond, Rory" <RDiamond@coj.net> Date: July 27, 2020 at 7:24:47 AM EDT To: "Conner, Makenzi" <MSConner@coj.net> Subject: Fwd: Collapse of the Public Trust

Please forward to chair. Ty.

**Hon. Rory Diamond** | District 13 - The Beaches City of Jacksonville City Council 904-255-5213 (p) | 904-703-0097 (c)

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#### 7/27/2020

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Respectfully submitted

John Nooney



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Apposed to the change in zoning of this 7.7 acre parcel of land on Girvin Rd. Overcrowding our neighboring schools. Increased traffic on Gervin and neighboring streets. Decrease property values.

Norma Meyers 320 Lazy Meadow Dr. E. Jacksonville Fl. Hickory Creek Thank You Very Much

From: Sent: To: Subject: CARL MEYERS <nxcmeyers@comcast.net> Monday, July 27, 2020 8:35 AM CCMeeting07282020 Land Use Applications 2020-288 and 2020-289

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I am opposed to the change in zoning of this 7.7 parcel of land on Girven Road because of the impact of 100 additional families in this small area will have on traffic on Girven Rd and neighboring streets. I like the zoning to stay single familly to preserve the character of our community. Thank You Carl Meyers resident of Hickory Creek at 320 lazy meadow dr,E.,jacksonville,FI 32225.

From: Sent: To: Subject: CARL MEYERS <nxcmeyers@comcast.net> Monday, July 27, 2020 8:17 AM CCMeeting07282020 Fwd: Land Use Applications 2020-288 and 2020-289

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	cmeyers771@gmail.com Monday, July 27, 2020 8:07 AM CCMeeting07282020 Land Use Applications 2020-288 and 2020-289 rezoning. I am opposed to the change in zoning of the 7.7 parcel of land on Girven Road because of the increased traffic it will cause on Girven Rd and adjourning
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Please vote NO on these proposed rezoning bills. They will cause increase in traffic. They will cause a decrease in property values. They will change the zoning from single family to multi-family

Thank you.

Orlando Javier Arbor Pointe V

From:	Sally English <salengl@comcast.net></salengl@comcast.net>
Sent:	Sunday, July 26, 2020 3:05 PM
То:	CCMeeting07282020
Cc:	Sally English; Danford, Joyce; Ferraro, Albert; Bowman, Aaron; Wilson, Scott; Cumber, LeAnna; Boylan, Michael;
	Gaffney, Reginald; Pittman, JuCoby; Dennis, Garrett; Jackson, Brenda; Becton, Daniel; White, Randy; Diamond,
	Rory; DeFoor, Randle; Freeman, Terrance; Salem, Ronald; Hazouri, Thomas; Carlucci, Matthew; Newby, Samuel
Subject:	Land Use Applications 2020-288 and 2020-289

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I am emailing to express my opposition to the change in zoning of the 7.7 acre parcel of land on Girvin Road. I am concerned this zoning change will bring more traffic on Girvin Road and on neighboring streets. Many people cut thru the Hickory Creek subdivision to get between Kernan Blvd and Girvin Road without having to go out on Atlantic Blvd. Additional homes on Girvin Road near Ivylena Road will add to those cutting thru my subdivision.

Thank you.

Sally English 12541 Cranesbill Ct Jacksonville, FL 32225

From: Sent: To: Subject: Pamela Naumann <pamela.naumann07@gmail.com> Sunday, July 26, 2020 8:20 AM CCMeeting07282020 Opposition of Land Use Ord 2020-288 & Zoning 2020-289 at Girvin Rd.

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Dear City Council Members,

Please oppose land use Ord 2020-288 & rezoning 2020-289 at Girvin Rd.

Regards, Pamela Naumann 271 Otterwood Court Jacksonville, FL 32225

Pam Naumann With God all things are possible.

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Maria Russell <mariabusi25@yahoo.com> Saturday, July 25, 2020 3:53 PM CCMeeting07282020 Otd 2020-288 and rezoning 2020-289 at Girvin

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Dear City Council Members

I'm a resident at Hickory Creek (511 Lazy MeadoyDr E and I'm oppose land use Ord 2020-288 & rezoning 2020-289 at Girvin Rd. It would affect me directly. Thank you for your help

María and William Russell

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Albert Merza <albemerza@gmail.com> Saturday, July 25, 2020 2:09 PM CCMeeting07282020 Re: Amendment numbers 2020-288 and 2020-289

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On Tue, Jul 14, 2020 at 8:33 AM Albert Merza <<u>albemerza@gmail.com</u>> wrote: To Whom it may concern:

We are writing concerning the proposed rezoning from low density residential (LDR) zone to a medium density residential (MDR) zone. The purpose of a low density zone is to create a living environment of high standard for primarily for a **single family dwelling**. This is a major concern for me and our family that live in Hickory Creek. Our neighborhood has many families that have children that play in the street and many families that walk their dogs. We have a 7 year old son who rides his bike, plays basketball and walks our dogs. We don't need any additional traffic in our neighborhoods.

We also have 3 entrances into our neighborhood, and many other surrounding neighborhoods use our roads as a cutthrough from Girvin Road via Ivylena to Hickory Creek Blvd and to Kernan Road. We have had countless numbers of speeders and animals hit in our neighborhood because of the increased volume and speeders of cars. With the development of a quadplex going up, there will be 25 complexes going up in that one little area. That leads up to 100 additional families that will be placed in a single neighborhood, with an additional 250 parking spaces for cars. This will lead up to additional traffic cutting through our neighborhood with additional safety issues, such as crime, speeders, reckless drivers, and additional noise. We have to look after the safety of our kids, animals, and our neighbors and with this in mind a MDR is not the choice in the matter.

The average value of property in our neighborhood is ranging from \$260,000 to \$325,000, the impact of a 25 building quadplex next to our neighborhood will significantly decrease the value of our homes in which we live. During these trying times, we need to be attentive to our surroundings, our finances, and the value of our homes.

We ask that you please re-review the comprehensive plan in this area, as this area should have been preserved as low density residential. A zone change seeking medium density might be inconsistent with that statement in the comprehensive plan. Also please note that this zone change is not consistent with the surrounding area of our neighborhoods as these areas are all low density residential zones, and the use of this land will be inconsistent to our surrounding areas. Also please note that with the additional 100 families to be served, there will also be an exhausting of our public services such as, fire, medical, and police for the additional quad-plexes being built.

With this matter in hand, our family and our neighborhood is opposing of the rezoning land development from a LDR to MDR. Please review the matter at hand and please consider the safety of our kids, families, and animals in our surroundings, the value of our homes being significantly reduced, and the exhausting of our public services to our community.

Sincerely,

Albert and Kelli Merza 12528 Lazy Meadow Dr. South Jacksonville, Florida 32225

From: Sent: To: Subject: TROY SIM <bskay@comcast.net> Saturday, July 25, 2020 1:54 PM CCMeeting07282020 2020-288 & 2020-289

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Good afternoon,

I am reaching out as #1 a Registered Voter, #2 a business owner, #3 a VERY concerned resident of Jax (over 50 years) as well as a property owner.

I would hope that my voice would be heard as well as all of my neighbors.

I would like to ask each & every 1 of you the reason you live where you do.

I bet it would definitely have something to do with Safety, maybe Beauty, & maybe convenience.... Well we built our home over 30 years ago with all of that in mind and now it is trying to be changed. This area is not the right area to change the zoning in. It is not what we need in this area, it is not what we want in this area & it is not welcome in this area! The growth that is going on around this rural part of our city is out of control. Enough. That property has amazing wildlife, a beautiful creek running through it and huge beautiful oak trees. Please do not allow this area to be more concrete buildings.

If you truly represent the citizens & the voters then listen & deny this completely.

Thank you

Troy & Bonnie Sim , 904-237-3229 12680 Meadowsweet Lane

12640 Ivylena Road

Hickory Creek Nursery, Inc. 12615 Ivylena Road Jacksonville FI 32225

From:	Bill Gamble <alfrdhitch@hotmail.com></alfrdhitch@hotmail.com>
Sent:	Saturday, July 25, 2020 1:50 PM
То:	Danford, Joyce; Ferraro, Albert; Bowman, Aaron; Wilson, Scott; Cumber, LeAnna; Boylan, Michael; Gaffney,
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	DeFoor, Randle; Freeman, Terrance; Salem, Ronald; Hazouri, Thomas; Carlucci, Matthew; Newby, Samuel;
	CCMeeting07282020
Subject:	Re: Oppose the 2020-288 (FLUM category) and 2020-289

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I recently became aware of the PUD/Flum rezoning at the corner of Ivy Lena Rd. and Girvin Rd. My wife and I are not in favor of this rezoning. My wife and I are homeowners in the Hickory Creek community and we oppose the rezoning of these properties. We have several concerns. We have a one-year-old and a three-year-old and already are concerned about the speeding in our neighborhood. This will increase the number of vehicles going through our neighborhood immensely. The neighborhood is already used as a cut-through from Girven to Hickory Creek Blvd. This will increase the number of cars speeding through the neighborhood.

We also bought our home almost five years ago because we felt like we had a nice piece of property in an area of town that was still considered rural. This increase from LDR to MDR will most certainly take that feel away not to mention what it may do to property values in the surrounding area with what basically ends up being apartment rentals. We are open to other possible plans for the two lots but we completely oppose what has been proposed thus far and the fact that it needs to be rezoned to put their project through is not acceptable.

Thank you,

William Gamble 12546 Dragonfly Lane N Jacksonville FL 32225 919-971-4943 - cell

From: Nell DeCoursey < highlander51@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 5:20 PM

To: JoyceMorgan@coj.net <JoyceMorgan@coj.net>; Ferraro@coj.net <Ferraro@coj.net>; ABowman@coj.net <ABowman@coj.net>; SWilson@coj.net <SWilson@coj.net>; LCumber@coj.net <LCumber@coj.net>; MBoylan@coj.net <MBoylan@coj.net>; RGaffney@coj.net <RGaffney@coj.net>; JPittman@coj.net <JPittman@coj.net>; GarrettD@coj.net <GarrettD@coj.net>; BPJackson@coj.net <BPJackson@coj.net>; DBecton@coj.net <DBecton@coj.net>; RandyWhite@coj.net <RandyWhite@coj.net>; RDiamond@coj.net <RDiamond@coj.net>; RDeFoor@coj.net <RDeFoor@coj.net>; TFreeman@coj.net <TFreeman@coj.net>; RSalem@coj.net <RSalem@coj.net>; THazouri@coj.net <THazouri@coj.net>; MCarlucci@coj.net <MCarlucci@coj.net>; SNewby@coj.net <SNewby@coj.net>; CCMeeting07282020@coj.net <CCMeeting07282020@coj.net> Subject: Oppose the 2020-288 (FLUM category) and 2020-289

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Regards, Nell McLeod DeCoursey VP HIckory Creek HOA 279 Otterwood Court Jacksonville, FL 32225 904-614-9303

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Lennette Hauver 390 Misty Hollow Dr W Jacksonville Florida, 32225-3498

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Dear City Council Members,

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Thank you for your consideration,

Bob Ratliff, BS, CFPS 371 Misty Hollow Drive West Jacksonville, FL. 32225

From: Sent: To: Subject: dena swank <denassavingmoney@gmail.com> Saturday, July 25, 2020 12:13 PM CCMeeting07282020 No rezoning

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Dena swank 607 trumpet vine ct Jax fl. 32225

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Sent:	Saturday, July 25, 2020 10:41 AM
To:	CCMeeting07282020; Bowman, Aaron
Subject:	342 Girvin Road Rezoning and Land Use Change Request Rezoning 2020-289 and Land Use Change
	L-5425-19C (Land Use Category Change 2020-289)
Attachments:	342 Girvin Road Rezoning and Land Use Change Request.docx

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Yipeeeee!

It's time to cancel the Jacksonville, Florida, component of the G.O.P. convention," President Trump said at the White House.

On Jul 23, 2020, at 1:34 PM, Susan Aertker <susaninflorida@gmail.com> wrote:

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Susan Aertker

From: Sent: To: Subject: Joyce and/or David Johnson <dj.jj@icloud.com> Thursday, July 23, 2020 4:33 PM CCMeeting07282020 Reject 2020-0399

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# The 2020 RNC Convention scheduled for late August in Jacksonville is sure to become a COVID-19 superspreader event.

The Mayor and Sheriff of Jacksonville have said they cannot guarantee security for the Republican National Convention because planning is incomplete, funding is inadequate and not enough law enforcement officers are readily available. Large partisan crowds will no doubt result in the deployment of anonymous Federal agents whose presence will most likely incite violence rather than maintain order.

I have EmailEd <u>Governor DeSantis</u> and <u>Mayor Curry</u> to urge that they rescind invitations to host this event out of concern for the health and safety of Northeast Florida residents and convention participants.

I also urge all members of the <u>Jacksonville City Council</u> to reject proposed bill <u>2020-0399</u> on the agenda of the <u>July 28</u> Council meeting that would enable and fund this ill-conceived and potentially catastrophic event.

David Johnson 2301 Plainfield Avenue Orange Park FL 32073 904-514-4304

From: Sent: To: Subject: Susan Aertker <susaninflorida@gmail.com> Thursday, July 23, 2020 1:34 PM CCMeeting07282020 Please vote no on 2020-399.

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Susan Aertker

From:Brown, CherylSent:Thursday, July 23, 2020 1:16 PMTo:'Gwynne Chesher'; CITYC; CAUDIT; CCMeeting07282020; Hogan, MikeSubject:RE: Election Advisory Panel

This email acknowledges receipt of your correspondence below. I have forwarded your communication to the Supervisor of Elections.

-----Original Message-----From: Gwynne Chesher [mailto:gwynneac@icloud.com] Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 11:40 AM To: Brown, Cheryl Subject: Election Advisory Panel

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During this pandemic, voting by mail is the safest way to vote. We're hearing that the election supervisor refuses to send out ballots. We all know voter suppression when we see it. Un-American!

Sent from my iPad

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jacqueline Ranart Olive <mrjingles1264@yahoo.com> Thursday, July 23, 2020 12:49 PM CCMeeting07282020 No RNC

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No RNC !

Thank you,

Jacqueline Ranart Olive

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Judy Sheklin <jsheklin13@gmail.com> Thursday, July 23, 2020 12:24 PM CCMeeting07282020 Please oppose the RNC in Jacksonville

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#### Dear Jacksonville Leaders,

The Jacksonville Chapter of the National Organization for Women in addition to our focus on equity also prioritizes issues related to the well being of our local community. We oppose the RNC holding their convention in our city. We are alarmed by the rise in U.S., Florida and Duval coronavirus cases. Today a child died here. Duval County continues to post record high numbers of the disease.

The cost to our community's safety is too high. The financial burden is just part of the problem. The Sheriff stated he can not insure Duval County's safety with such a short lead time and so many aspects of the event to consider. We don't need Federal law enforcement here adding to the incendiary impact of this event as we have seen in Oregon. We already have so many challenges in our city, as Council President Hazouri described. Our plate is full.

Controlling the spread of the coronavirus needs to be a high priority for our leaders. That being said it is alarming that Mayor Curry has invited thousands of visitors to our city in the height of this pandemic. This is not the time for our city to host any large gathering whose participants will meet in large numbers and visit our restaurants, stores and beaches. Our families' health and safety need to be a priority for our leaders. Duval County's residents will suffer a higher level of exposure to the virus as a result of this decision. This is not a partisan issue, it is a health and safety concern.

No vaccine or treatment currently controls the spread or danger this virus presents. It is reckless to hold an event of this scale at this time in Jacksonville. We urge Mayor Curry and the City Council to prioritize the health and safety of the citizens of the city you were elected to lead and protect. Please do not create needless risk for Jacksonville residents by hosting the RNC in Jacksonville.

Sincerely,

Judy Sheklin, President Jacksonville National Organization for Women

1985 Brista De Mar Circle Atlantic Beach, FL 32233 (904) 910 - 0714

From:	Marcus Haile <marcus@literacyallnefl.org></marcus@literacyallnefl.org>
Sent:	Wednesday, July 22, 2020 2:18 PM
То:	CCMeeting07282020
Subject:	Adult Education as a Social Justice Effort
Attachments:	ALE_ResearchJournal-v002_01-2020-48_Reder.pdf; Literacy Alliance 2020 PIAAC Impact Report.pdf

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Dear Social Justice and Community Investment Committee Members,

The Literacy Alliance of Northeast Florida (<u>literacyallnefl.org</u>) applauds the formation of the Social Justice and Community Investment Committee and its goals. As a nonprofit organization at the forefront of improving adult literacy, we ask that you consider the need for adult basic education in your conversations regarding education overall. There is considerable data about this need and evidence that improving adult literacy can create greater equity.

According to the Program for International Assessment of Adult Competencies

(https://nces.ed.gov/surveys/piaac/skillsmap/), 21% of adults in Duval county perform at a beginning literacy level. Adults at this level struggle to understand basic vocabulary and will have considerable difficulty comprehending print material. An additional 34% perform at a low to intermediate level, indicating that they are nearing proficiency but will still struggle to work with information and ideas in text or perform tasks with text-based information. Combined, 55% of local adults could benefit from literacy instruction.

Literacy gaps among adults in our community are limiting their opportunities to improve their financial conditions and fully participate in their community. Research by Dr. Stephen Reder (<u>https://lincs.ed.gov/publications/pdf/ABS\_EconomicOutcomes.pdf</u>) showed that adults who complete 100 hours of literacy instruction increase their income by \$10,000.

For these reasons, we encourage the Committee to include adult education in your conversation about education overall. Should you do so, we stand ready to inform your discussion as you formulate recommendations. We have submitted additional information that might be of interest to the Co-Chairs and attached here as well. We would be happy to be a resource for you as you continue your work. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Marcus Haile, Executive Director

Marcus W. Haile, MPA, CFRE Executive Director Literacy Alliance of Northeast Florida, Inc. Jessie Ball duPont Center 40 E Adams St, LL 30 Jacksonville, FL 32202 Phone: 904-238-9000 Fax: 904-717-6928

From:	Brown, Cheryl	
Sent:	Tuesday, July 21, 2020 7:11 PM	
To:	'Victoria Haller'; CCMeeting07282020	
Subject:	RE: For Your Consideration	

This email acknowledges receipt of your correspondence. Your correspondence has been forwarded to <u>CCMeetings07282020@coj.net</u> to be documented as communication received.

From: Victoria Haller [mailto:vickihaller@knights.ucf.edu] Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 4:05 PM To: Brown, Cheryl Subject: For Your Consideration

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Hello Ms. Brown,

I wished to reach out to you and your team as a concerned citizen of Jacksonville. I have seen what has happened in Minneapolis regarding George Floyd and the dismantling of the Minneapolis police department. It is illogical to believe that this is a singular incident and there have been cases here in Jacksonville where individuals have lost their lives with undue cause. One such incident is the case of Jamme Johnson. I would like to petition both you and the state. This unwarranted police behavior is occurring because it is allowable. As an internal auditor, I am aware that when individuals have the ability to get away with nefarious activity, some will. A system needs to be in place to prevent our law enforcement to commit such actions without repercussion. If that cannot be guaranteed, this system is destined to fail.

Please, look upon this and consider the appropriate actions regarding your station.

Thank you,

Victoria Haller

From: Sent: To: Subject: Mikey White <Mwhite@parcgroup.net> Tuesday, July 21, 2020 6:21 PM CCMeeting07282020 Zoom login for LUZ

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I can't login to zoom.

What is the meeting ID and code.

Mikey white

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Brown, Cheryl
Sent:	Tuesday, July 21, 2020 1:31 PM
То:	CITYC; CCMeeting07282020
Subject:	FW: AFSCME Letter of Support for Bill 2020-0238
Attachments:	scan_crowkm_2020-07-21-06-13-24.pdf

This email acknowledges receipt of your correspondence. The correspondence will be placed in the City Council Public Comments under <u>CCMeetings07282020@coj.net</u>.

### Thank you

From: Conner, Makenzi Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 12:39 PM To: CM; Brown, Cheryl Subject: AFSCME Letter of Support for Bill 2020-0238

Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached letter of support for bill 2020-0238 from AFSCME President Kathleen Crowe.

This is one way communication, please do NOT reply all to this email.

Thank You,

Makenzi Conner Makenzi Conner Executive Council Assistant District 13 Office of City Council 117 W. Duval Street, Suite 425 Jacksonville, FL 32202 (904) 255-5152 msconner@coj.net

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Lisa Rinaman <rowerinaman@gmail.com> Monday, July 20, 2020 9:24 AM CCMeeting07282020 Public Comments for Bill 2020-377 COJ 2020-377 Talking Points 7-20-20.docx

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Pls see attached.

For the River!

Lisa Rinaman <u>lisa@stjohnsriverkeeper.org</u> (904)509-3260

From:	John Campgana <johncampy1943@gmail.com></johncampy1943@gmail.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 19, 2020 8:13 PM
То:	CCMeeting07282020
Subject:	How many more must die until you mandate masks

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From:	Susan <susaninflorida@gmail.com></susaninflorida@gmail.com>
Sent:	Friday, July 17, 2020 2:03 PM
To:	CCMeeting07282020
Cc:	news@wjct.org; 'WJXT 4 Newsroom; JAX - Letters; Folio
Subject:	Please make this part of the records for the committees that are hearing 2020-377 next week

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2020-0377 has been marked EMERGENCY for all these committees next week: Transportation, Energy & Utilities

Finance

Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety Rules

The Mayor showed us that he can't be trusted when he and Zahn spent large amounts of the ratepayers money trying to sell JEA. Please don't pass 2020-377 without writing into the legislation requirements for proper mitigation to offset the negative impacts caused by the dredging.

Ordinance 2020-377 Summary: The bill authorizes the borrowing of up to \$40 million via the City's commercial paper facility for the purpose of loaning funds to the Jacksonville Port Authority to fund the harbor dredging project. ... The bill appropriates the \$40 million loan and \$35 million grant to Jaxport.

With sea levels rising and a warming planet, the dredging only makes us more vulnerable to saltwater intrusion, toxic algal blooms, and the flooding potential caused by storms. Please don't rush this legislation. Please include an amendment to deal with these risks:

- Water levels rising will increase flood risk.

- Saltwater intrusion will damage or destroy hundreds of acres of wetlands, submerged grasses, and trees in parts of the river and its tributaries, such as Julington Creek and Ortega River.

- Critical habitat for fisheries and pollution filters for our river will be lost in the process.

- Water will remain in the river longer, increasing concentrations of pollutants and the probability of algal blooms.

- Larger ships will create larger wakes, increasing the likelihood of shoreline erosion.

Please, do not ignore the projected damage and ensure that safeguards are in place for our future.

As a Jacksonville voter, resident, and taxpayer, I urge you to require

protective mitigation projects to offset the negative impacts of the deep dredge and make our community more resilient.

As a Jacksonville resident, I am calling on you for NO City funding on the Deep Dredge without proper mitigation to offset the negative impacts of flooding and storm surge. If I'm going to be expected to fund the dredging project, our City Council must protect our River and our community. Our River depends on our leaders to secure holistic solutions to offset the impacts of the Deep Dredge.

Sincerely, Susan Aertker 32257

From: Sent: To: Subject: Susan <susaninflorida@gmail.com> Friday, July 17, 2020 12:46 PM JAX - Letters; news@wjct.org; 'WJXT 4 Newsroom; Folio; CCMeeting07282020 Please make this part of the records for the three committees (NCSPHS, Rules, and Finance) hearing 2019-369

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Please vote NO on 2020-369. Jason Fischer co-sponsored a bill requiring us to give part of our sales tax money to charter schools. The city doesn't need to give extra money to charter schools especially as the neighborhood schools are trying to figure out how they are going to provide the funds to keep the class size small enough for the desks to be six feet apart until there is a safe and effective vaccine available to fight against covid-19..

2020-369 is being heard next week in the Rules, FINANCE, and NCSPHS committees.

2020-0369

Ordinance authorizes the KHA to provide direct funding in the amount of \$631,018 to the Jax Alliance for KIPP School, Inc.

Thank you, Susan Aertker Zip: 32257

From:	Krista E. Burby <kburby@drivermcafee.com></kburby@drivermcafee.com>
Sent:	Thursday, July 16, 2020 1:29 PM
То:	CCMeeting07282020
Cc:	Cyndy K. Trimmer; Steve Diebenow
Subject:	Speaker for July 21 LUZ Committee (2020-0045)

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Good afternoon,

Please allow this email to serve as notice that Cyndy Trimmer will speak on behalf of the applicant for 2020-0045 at the July 21, 2020 LUZ Committee meeting.

For the record her address is One Independent Dr., Ste 1200, Jacksonville, FL 32202 (904) 301-1269. She is in support of this application.

Sincerely,

Krista Burby Paralegal



Driver, McAfee, Hawthorne & Diebenow, P.L. One Independent Drive, Suite 1200 Jacksonville, Florida 32202 Direct: (904) 807-8213 Fax: (904) 301-1279 E-Mail: <u>kburby@drivermcafee.com</u>

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From:	Susan <susaninflorida@gmail.com></susaninflorida@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, July 16, 2020 12:03 PM
To:	Carlucci, Matthew; DeFoor, Randle; Jackson, Brenda; Wilson, Scott; Danford, Joyce; Cumber, LeAnna; Salem,
	Ronald; Bowman, Aaron; Becton, Daniel; Dennis, Garrett; Pittman, JuCoby; White, Randy; Diamond, Rory;
	Freeman, Terrance; Ferraro, Albert; Gaffney, Reginald; JAX - Letters; news@wjct.org; 'WJXT 4 Newsroom; Folio
Cc:	CCMeeting07282020
Subject:	Please make this part of the records for the three committees (NCSPHS, TEU, F) hearing 2019-555

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This ordinance is on your committee's (NCSPHS, TEU, F) agenda for next week. Please vote to withdraw the ordinance. Mark Woods eloquently expresses my sentiments on this issue so I shall quote him. Quote from a March 2020 article:

That's the current administration's plan for Met Park. Give the land to Shad Khan. Have the taxpayers help pay to develop it. ...The city with a legal team that decided "shall" sometimes means "may" now has declared that "perpetuity" sometimes means "a few decades, give or take, until the right developer comes along." Legislation was introduced last year [2019-555] on behalf of Mayor Lenny Curry, calling for the city to repay the \$1.7 million and open up the public park for private development. *[Mark then makes the case that the ordinance isn't even legal]* If the city were to wiggle out of this agreement nearly 40 years later, that would be a terrible precedent, one that would have developers all over America drooling at the prospect of convincing cities to pay back LWCF grants and open up some prime real estate. ... It's one thing to tear down things in the name of progress. It's another to wipe out public lands. Once they're gone, they're often gone — for perpetuity.

Link to the article:

https://www.jacksonville.com/news/20200307/mark-woods-in-jacksonville-in-perpetuity-isnt-forever

### Here is the link to the ordinance:

https://jaxcityc.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4081742&GUID=FFD961C8-0E3A-418B-AAF1-2440F57A0A80

Copied from summary:

Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2019-555

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, TEU, F

The bill appropriates \$1,725,422.19 from General Fund in order to provide funding to pay that amount to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection as reimbursement for a grant previously received to assist with the purchase of the Metropolitan Park property along the St. Johns River near Commodore's Point. The bill authorizes the Mayor to execute a grant termination document and any other documentation necessary to facilitate the return of the funds to the state and the release of the grant's conditions for use of the property.

Thanks, Susan Aertker

From:	Michael Toussaint <freshmexjax@gmail.com></freshmexjax@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, July 16, 2020 4:38 AM
То:	CCMeeting07282020
Cc:	Cyndy K. Trimmer; Steve Diebenow
Subject:	name change to Bently road information ordinance 2020-262

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We have recently worked with the owner of the dealership and his representatives to address our concerns related to renaming Bonneval Road. With my current medical conditions my concern was that I would not be able to navigate this address change and that it would affect my business negatively but the dealership has offered to take on this challenge. They have formerly agreed to work with us directly as the name transitions from Bonneval to Bentley. As a result, we no longer oppose the renaming And I would like to retract the last comment I submitted for this meeting which is below. I look forward to working with our neighbors to make this name change successful for everyone in the area.

Amanda Andruzzi-Toussaint, MHP, CHC, AADP, Health & Nutrition Expert Owner, Fresh-Mex & Co.

From: Michael Toussaint Sent: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 3:19 PM To: <u>CCMeeting07282020@coj.net</u> Subject: name change to Bently road information ordinance 2020-262

I wish to comment on this matter. I am in the process of hiring an attorney. I have yet to hear back from my landlord John Watts who insists he never received notice of the ordinance listed above. I was never informed By him and now I am getting zero response from the Bentley attorney either. I believe currently he has been working with them and not telling us and is receiving financial compensation. This entire thing has added stress on myself and my business. I can not afford to process address changes and unfortunately I have been diagnosed in the last week with stage 3 cancer. I need help to communicate by protest and to not allow my landlord and this large developer to destroy my business and create unnecessary work for our business. Please advise.

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Cc:	Cyndy K. Trimmer; Steve Diebenow
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From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Rebecca Fixel <info@beccasbling.com> Wednesday, July 15, 2020 4:59 PM CCMeeting07282020; Boylan, Michael Small Business Loan Program

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### Mr. Grieve and Mr. Boylan,

For the past 78 days, the COJ/Vystar Loan Program's Website has failed to include businesses that hire 1099 contractors.

Since the April 27, 2020 City Council Meeting, I have steadily reached out (see emails below), providing specific examples of Jacksonville's small businesses that hire 1099 contractors such as; spas, catering companies, gyms, hair salons, event venues/vendors, and barbershops. I have pointed out how in its current state, the website deters these business owners from applying for the federal relief funds. I have also highlighted that loan agents, have repeatedly misadvised business owners by telling them they don't qualify for the loan because their "1099contractors" do not count towards the minimum employee requirement. These business owners have no recourse because there is no accurate website to refer to.

While businesses can't afford to pull from a line of credit, they do need the \$1000 sign-on grant that accompanies the loan. With only 20% of the city's businesses meeting the qualifications to apply for the program, I'm perplexed as to why the city isn't doing everything possible to make sure all those who qualify are made are they qualify!

It is unconscionable to sit and watch \$26M in federal relief funds grow in a city bank account while the city's businesses burn.

It is unconscionable that 80% of the city's small businesses don't qualify for the relief program thats aim is to " help small businesses."

It is unconscionable that as of June 15, only \$1.2M of the \$26M in Federal relief funds has made it to the hands of Jacksonville's small business owners.

Jacksonville has 100,000+ small business owners (2016 Census). Most of them are not earning 1/3rd of their usual revenue. It is insulting for the administration and the council members to imply they can "wait until November" to "re-assess" whether the \$26M program (that nobody can access) is actually "helping small businesses."

Looking at what the program has paid out in the May,June and July Invoices prove the money is not providing relief to small businesses. Especially not as the CARES Act Fund intended.

As we approach month five of this pandemic, please remember, Jacksonville's 80,000 non-employer, home-based businesses (2016 census) DO NOT share the comforts of a government employee. We do not have your predictable salary, your pensions or your healthcare plans.

This is why we can't wait until November.

Jacksonville's small businesses need the unused \$25M in the COJ/Vystar Loan Program- we also need all the interest it has earned sitting there untouched for the last four months.

We need it to be disbursed to us through additional cash grants.

More importantly, we need our "fiscally conservative" council members try harder not to be so tone-deaf. A pandemic is not the time to introduce conniving fine-print or exclusionary red taped legislation. To many of those who don't live in San Marco- this pandemic is life or death. Peacocking to your commercial landlords and Christian base while you are supposed to be focused on disbursing federal relief funds to our city--is just tacky.

Please focus on showing us, the people, the money (that President Trump and Steve Mnuchin sent us).

Thank you.

## Jacksonville's Small Businesses

--Rebecca W. Fixel Bobbles, Bangles & Bling Jewelry That Rocks! <u>www.BobblesBanglesandBling.com</u> <u>www.TeamColorBracelets.com</u> 904-703-5860

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Rebecca Fixel Bobbles, Bangles & Bling BobblesBanglesandBling.com ABeccaLeggings.com 904-703-5860

From: Sent: To: Subject: mailer@tave.com on behalf of Photography by Brandi Hill <brandi@brandihill.com> Wednesday, July 15, 2020 4:38 PM CCMeeting07282020 COJ/Vystar Loan Program Expenditures 2020-235

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### Please file to the record: 2020-235

Dear Council Members,

The COJ/Vystar loan program invoices below show only about \$1,5M of the \$26M in CARES Act Relief Funds have benefitted Jacksonville's small businesses.

Below are some ways you and Mayor Curry's Administration can help small business owners:

1. **Demonstrate your commitment to Jacksonville's small businesses** with an emergency resolution that designates the \$24.5M in COJ/Vystar Loan Program's unused relief funds (along w/ the interest these funds have earned) to be spent solely on Jacksonville's small businesses.

2. **Demonstrate your commitment to spending CARES Act Relief Funds in accordance with the law** outlined in the Local Government Guidelines by proposing an emergency bill that will immediately reallocate the \$24.5M (along w/ the interest these funds have earned) to provide 12,500 more \$2000 Small Business Grants to Jacksonville's small businesses.

3. Provide adequate oversight to assure the grant is advertised fairly and precisely to all of **Jacksonville's businesses**, self-employed, and sole-proprietors. Assure the application's advertisements and application are inclusive to all by seeking input from various types of local business owners to

We appreciate your help in keeping Jacksonville's economy alive during this pandemic.

Warmly,

Jacksonville's Small Business Owners.

**Further Reading:** 

### What has been spent thus far:

**\$147,256.23 in Interest Charges:** the relief funds cover the business owner's interest charges should they draw from their loan advance.

**\$248,000 Loan Underwriting Fees:** locally founded *Vystar Credit Union, generously charges only* \$250 *per loan.* 

**\$1,128,000 Sign-on Grants** No doubt, the most successful aspect of the program! The loan recipient receives a \$1000 cash grant.

The \$1000 Sign-on Grants and others like it have proven integral in the survival and stimulation of Jacksonville's economy. During a pandemic, a business owner shouldn't have to undergo a drop in their credit score (which happens when you apply for a loan) in attempts to access \$1000 in relief funds.

### Recap of how the COJ/Vystar Loan program works:

Business owners apply for an advance loan that they are 100% responsible for paying back. If approved, the city gives the business owner a \$1000 cash grant using federal relief funds. The business owner can take the \$1000 grant without ever using the advance loan. Should the business owner draw on their loan during the first year, their interest is paid by the city using federal relief funds.

### The Future of the Program falls out of the scope of CARES ACT Funding

After the first year, if the business owner meets minimal employment requirements, the city promises to continue paying interest costs along with 10% of each year's loan principal. It is unclear how this portion of the program will be funded, as the CARES Act Fund doesn't allow for pandemic relief funds to be held for future anticipated expenses.

### This program overlooks the forgotten

CARES Act relief funds were sent to local governments to help their citizens who fell through the cracks of federal relief programs. The COJ/Vystar loan program is only available to businesses with storefronts and employees- that is, 20% of Jacksonville's businesses (Cenus,2016). Furthermore, businesses with storefronts and employees qualify and can most easily access all federal relief funding.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: John Sapora <JSapora@lisc.org> Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:29 AM CCMeeting07282020 FY20-21 budget meeting question

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Please explain how the general public can access the budget detail and CIP so we can review and provide feedback to our council members. Thanks.



John Sapora | Disaster Recovery Resiliency Manager 100 N Laura St, Suite 600, Jacksonville, FL 32202 P: (904) 289-8490 W: www.liscjacksonville.org

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The city council can't continue to play politics with the health and well being of all the citizens in Jacksonville.

In light of the video footage of George Floyd that continues to shine the light on systemic racism in every area of Government.

This body was elected and has the authority to balance that evil.

This body hasn't done anything of significance to alleviate the suffering of African Americans in this city.

The decision by Curry to bring the RNC convention on Axel handle Saturday is malfeasance. We are in the middle of a pandemic and Florida rates are the highest in the nation. We have the chance to change the narrative by understanding the affects of racism .

Racists will make plans for the Northside and not fund them. Racists will make laws to make it hard for black people to access services. Racists will create committees to talk about the racists acts being committed until their tenure is up. Sent from my iPhone

From:	Sandra Milesevic <milesevicsandra@yahoo.com></milesevicsandra@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:15 AM
To:	CCMeeting07282020
Subject:	Public Comment for Annual Budget Presentation

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As a resident of Jacksonville, I do not want to continue seeing the JSO budget expanded while other community programs receive little funding. The crime rate is not going to get any better with more policing. Investing in our community and helping people get out of poverty and providing proper education will reduce crime. I want the JSO budget to be reduced greatly and the funds to be reinvesting in other programs such as Neighborhoods and Education. Stop practicing a system that obviously doesn't work.

Thank you, Sandra Milesevic

From:	Brown, Cheryl
Sent:	Tuesday, July 14, 2020 4:02 PM
То:	'Hana Hajda'; Mayor Lenny Curry; Danford, Joyce; Ferraro, Albert; Bowman, Aaron; Wilson, Scott; Cumber,
	LeAnna; Boylan, Michael; Gaffney, Reginald; Pittman, JuCoby; Dennis, Garrett; Jackson, Brenda; Becton, Daniel;
	White, Randy; Diamond, Rory; DeFoor, Randle; Freeman, Terrance; Ford-Hardin, Gerrie; Salem, Ronald; Hazouri,
	Thomas; Carlucci, Matthew; Newby, Samuel; Clements, Jeff; CITYC; CAUDIT; CCMeeting07282020; Miller, Carla;
	Oberdorfer, Kirby; Hartley-Myers, Andrea; Green, Lisa; Staffopoulos, Mary
Subject:	RE: (Action Required) Cancel the RNC in Jacksonville
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From: Hana Hajda [mailto:hanahajda@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 3:19 PM

To: Mayor Lenny Curry; Danford, Joyce; Ferraro, Albert; Bowman, Aaron; Wilson, Scott; Cumber, LeAnna; Boylan, Michael; Gaffney, Reginald; Pittman, JuCoby; Dennis, Garrett; Jackson, Brenda; Becton, Daniel; White, Randy; Diamond, Rory; DeFoor, Randle; Freeman, Terrance; Ford-Hardin, Gerrie; Salem, Ronald; Hazouri, Thomas; Carlucci, Matthew; Newby, Samuel; Clements, Jeff; Brown, Cheryl

Subject: Fwd: (Action Required) Cancel the RNC in Jacksonville

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Dear Mayor and City Council,

My name is Hana Hajda, and I was born and raised in Jacksonville. I grew up in Jacksonville and went to grade school in Jacksonville. While I have a lot of love for the wonderful people and places in Jacksonville, I am disturbed by many recent decisions coming out of the local government - specifically the decision to host the RNC despite continuous calls to cancel it. I've outlined some points below and urge you all to act accordingly.

### <u>Ultimately, hosting the RNC will do much more harm to Jacksonville than good; the mayor and city council</u> <u>must call for the convention cancelation immediately.</u>

Following the RNC, we will undoubtedly see a rise in coronavirus cases that will further hamper economic recovery and needlessly endanger lives. Firstly, I want to applaud Mayor Lenny Curry's decision to enforce mandatory mask-wearing where social distancing is not possible. Such a step is imperative for slowing the spread of COVID-19. I trust that this policy will apply to the RNC as well - indoors or outdoors - should it not be canceled. However, I want to emphasize that even with mask-wearing mandates and other safety measures, holding the RNC in Jacksonville in the middle of this pandemic will still endanger hundreds, maybe thousands of Jacksonville residents. Public health experts have made it extremely clear – the RNC is the perfect storm of conditions that will lead to further COVID spread, more cases, and more deaths even with safety measures. A global COVID hotspot is not the place to hold a large scale convention. Florida is already being touted as an example of the disastrous consequences of a state opening too early – let's not make that worse.

While hosting the RNC may seem to offer financial or political incentives to current Jacksonville leadership, these gains will not be worth it in the long run. On the surface, hosting the RNC may seem like a boon to the Jacksonville economy with the media attention and visitors flying in for the convention. However, as I detailed above, it is incredibly clear that hosting the convention will lead to an additional spike in coronavirus cases in the Jacksonville area. Greater spikes, in addition to leading to the needless deaths of Jacksonville residents, will also slow our economic recovery. Leading economists agree – the best way to

encourage economic recovery is to slow the spread of the virus as much as possible. We cannot rush this process. Holding an event like the RNC is the anthesis of slowing the spread and saving lives.

Furthermore, as many recent <u>articles</u> have pointed out, the chaos and hesitancy surrounding the convention means that the economic benefit brought to the city will amount to a fraction of Jacksonville's initial estimates of ~\$100 million. Local news has reported that many serious <u>legal entanglements and logistical issues</u> with the convention are still up in the air, and as <u>more donors resist the location change</u>, it's becoming clearer that the economic benefits promised to the city will not pan out as expected.

Jacksonville citizens are not on board with the convention's location either. Attorneys and other Jacksonville citizens are currently <u>suing the city</u> for agreeing to host the RNC. Public concern is growing – people understand the danger that the Jacksonville government is bringing to the city for agreeing to host a national convention in the epicenter of a pandemic. Recent <u>polls</u> show the vast majority of voters in Jacksonville do NOT want the RNC coming to our city, and 71% are rightfully worried that the RNC will worsen the outbreak. Voters will remember and hold you responsible for the reckless decisions made in critical moments like this.

Hosting the RNC on the anniversary of <u>Ax Handle Saturday</u> would be an insult to Black Jacksonville residents and the Black Lives Matter movement - the <u>largest social movement in U.S. history</u>. Currently President Trump – a vocal <u>racist</u> and <u>critic</u> of the Black Lives Matter movement – is scheduled to accept the Republican presidential nomination on the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of <u>Ax Handle Saturday</u>. Sixty years ago on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 1960, activists from the NAACP Youth Council were attacked and brutally beaten bloody with ax handles for staging a peaceful sit-in protest. The police largely stood by and let this atrocity happen.

We should remember moments like Ax Handle Saturday in our city's history. We should use them to bring to light the injustices – past and present - faced by Black people in Jacksonville. We should use them as a starting point for conversations regarding current-day issues of JSO brutality, such as the <u>murder of college student</u> Jamee Johnson at the hands of a JSO officer during a routine traffic stop last December. We should not use this anniversary as a day to focus on a man whose policies and politics actively perpetuate racism and empower white supremacists.

I understand that Mayor Lenny Curry has said that there are a number of metrics the City of Jacksonville is watching to determine the safety of hosting the RNC. According to a recent <u>First Coast news article</u>, the mayor cited widespread community spread and ICU capacity as the metrics he is watching. The mayor also set no target date for making his decision and said he will act "when we get to it".

I'd like to make it incredibly clear that NOW is the time to "get to it". On Sunday, Florida <u>broke the record</u> for the largest one day increase in cases in a state – including New York State in April - by reporting 15,000 cases in a single day. <u>Duval Country has been clearly marked as an area with "widespread community spread"</u> according to a recent Harvard Global Health Institute analysis. While state data <u>shows</u> there are currently some ICU beds available in Duval county, ICU beds should not be our only metric for decision making in this critical time. Economic damage is not measured by ICU beds. Insult to the Black community is not measured by ICU beds. Current ICU bed counts don't account for the fact that COVID takes a few weeks to take its toll on a community, and it's likely that our ICU beds will fill up in the weeks following the convention – not before. Open ICU beds ahead of an event do not mean lives will not be needlessly lost.

### I urge you - please do the right thing and cancel the RNC event in Jacksonville immediately.

Thank you, Hana

From:	Krista E. Burby <kburby@drivermcafee.com></kburby@drivermcafee.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, July 14, 2020 2:51 PM
То:	CCMeeting07282020
Cc:	Cyndy K. Trimmer; Steve Diebenow
Subject:	Recall: Speaker for July 21 LUZ Committee (2020-0045)

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Krista E. Burby would like to recall the message, "Speaker for July 21 LUZ Committee (2020-0045)".

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For the record her address is One Independent Dr., Ste 1200, Jacksonville, FL 32202 (904) 301-1269. She is in support of this application.

Sincerely,

Krista Burby Paralegal



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Sincerely,

Krista Burby Paralegal



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mailer@tave.com on behalf of Photography by Brandi Hill <brandi@brandihill.com> Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:00 AM CCMeeting07282020 77 days- the COJ / Vystar Website has still not been corrected to include 1099 employers

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### Please file to the record: 2020-235

Mr. Grieve (and Jacksonville City Council),

For the past 77 days, the COJ/Vystar Loan Program's Website has failed to include businesses that hire 1099 contractors.

Since the April 27, 2020 City Council Meeting, I have steadily reached out (see emails below), providing specific examples of Jacksonville's small businesses that hire 1099 contractors such as; spas, catering companies, gyms, hair salons, event venues/vendors, and barbershops. I have pointed out how in its current state, the website deters these business owners from applying for federal relief funds they desperately need. I have also highlighted that loan agents, have repeatedly misadvised business owners by telling them they don't qualify for the loan because their "1099-contractors" *do not* count towards the minimum employee requirement. These business owners have no recourse as there is no accurate website to refer to.

While businesses can't afford to pull from a line of credit, they do *need* the \$1000 sign-on grant that accompanies the loan. With only 20% of the city's businesses meeting the qualifications to apply for the program, I'm perplexed as to why we can't do everything possible to make sure all those who qualify know they qualify.

It is unconscionable to sit and watch \$26M in federal relief funds grow in a city bank account while the city's businesses burn.

It is unconscionable that 80% of the city's small businesses don't qualify for the relief program whose aim is to " help small businesses."

It is unconscionable that as of June 15, only \$1.2M of the \$26M in Federal relief funds has made it to the hands of Jacksonville's small business owners.

Jacksonville has 100,000+ small business owners (2016 Census). Most of them are not earning 1/3rd of their usual revenue. It is insulting for the administration and the council members to imply they can "wait until November" to "re-assess" whether the \$26M program (that nobody can access) is actually "helping small businesses."

Looking at May, June and July Invoices prove the money is not providing relief to small businesses. Especially not as the CARES Act Fund intended.

As we approach month five of this pandemic, please remember the vast majority of Jacksonville's business owners- the 80,000 non-employer, mostly home-based businesses (2016 census) **DO**
**NOT** share the comforts of a government employee. We do not have your predictable salary, your pensions or your healthcare plans.

This is why we can't wait until November.

Jacksonville's small businesses need the remaining \$25M (and the interests it has earned over the last four months).

We need it to be disbursed to us through additional cash grants.

More importantly, we need our "fiscally conservative" council members to be less tone-deaf. A pandemic is not the time to introduce conniving fine-print or exclusionary red taped legislation. To many of **those who** *don't* live in San Marco- this pandemic *is* life or death. Peacocking to your commercial landlords and Christian base while you are supposed to be focused on disbursing federal relief funds to needy people-is tacky.

Please focus on showing us, the people, the money (that President Trump and Steve Mnuchin sent us).

Jacksonville's Small Businesses

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From: "Photography by Brandi Hill" <brandi@brandihill.com> **Date: 5/26/2020 at 7:52am** Subject: 29 days -5 emails later Vystar is still turning down businesses. To: "Jordan Elsbury" <JElsbury@coj.net>, "Patrick Grieve" <pgreive@coj.net>

Hi Mr. Grieve,

The Vystar COJ Contract has still *not* been updated to include businesses who hire 1099 contractors. Which is why **the Vystar website has yet to be corrected to include 1099 employees.** 

This means businesses such as gyms, and hair salons are still be deterred and blatantly turned down from applying for this loan.

# The City's Loan Program is not serving Jacksonville's Businesses.

Over 80,000 of Jacksonville's businesses don't even qualify for this loan. No Business needs a loan at a time like this.

We request you use these funds as intended----give them to small businesses. Can I please request an appointment with a member of the Mayor Curry's administration regarding

questions I have about the Vystar Invoices I received through the Freedom of Information request?

Invoice 05022020-1.pdf Invoice 05202020.pdf

The damages caused to Jacksonville's small businesses due to the city hiding away these funds will be irrefutable.

How many of those who applied for the loan did so just to get the free \$1000 grant given after applying? Business owners need cash not loans.

Brandi Hill

------ Forwarded message ------ From: "Photography by Brandi Hill" <brandi@brandihill.com> Date: 5/8/2020 at 8:58am Subject: Vystar's Website is still not corrected. To: "Jelsbury@coj.net" <jelsbury@coj.net>, "Patrick Grieve" <pgreive@coj.net>

Patrick,

The COJ/Vystar Program Website has still not been corrected and businesses are still being turned away.

Vystar advised me on 4/27 that the city is who can approve changes to the program's website. Which is why I wrote you on that date requesting the errors be corrected.

I know you are very busy but the program's website should reflect the claims you made regarding the programs eligibility on the council record dated 4/27.

If this loan is in fact not available for business owners with contractors and without storefronts please correct the council record.

Vystar has a team of 25 staff who are still unaware that contractors are considered employees (see email below).

# Please take this seriously.

Brandi Hill

------ Forwarded message ------From: "Photography by Brandi Hill" <brandi@brandihill.com> Date: 5/7/2020 at 11:35pm Subject: Fwd: Vystar's website To: "Patrick Grieve" <pgreive@coj.net>

Hi Mr. Grieve,

I know you are very busy but I'm hoping **you can take the time to make the changes to the Vystar Website** so those who hire 1099 employees will know they are 100% included in applying for the loan. Also is the brick and mortar required necessary? Considering it's 2020 and most businesses do not have a storefront?

Thank you for responding to this.

Warmly,

Brandi HIII

----- Forwarded message ------From: "Photography by Brandi Hill" <brandi@brandihill.com> Date: 4/30/2020 at 1:07pm Subject: Vystar's website To: "Patrick Grieve" <pgreive@coj.net>

Mr. Grieve,

I have been encouraging business owners who were previously turned away to go ahead and apply the COJ/Vystar Loan.

Ex. Hair salons, their employees, the stylist are 1099ed. The current website still does not include them can you please change this?

Could COJ tweet a call to action re-directing business owners to the loan application page?

"Jacksonville business owners who hire W-2 or 1099 employees can apply for the City of Jacksonville and Vystar's Relief Loan Program."

Also, would you consider requesting Vystar make the following two edits to the loan page:

• Business must have a physical location within Duval County where employees work

2/3 of companies don't have storefronts their employees work from. Example: Event industry, caterers, technology services, home aid care, creatives, graphic design, etc.

• Business must have between 2 and 100 employees(contractors or permanent) in addition to business owners could you add in contractors or permanent

Thank you for your time,

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From: "Photography by Brandi Hill" <brandi@brandihill.com> Date: 4/29/2020 at 12:05am Subject: inquiry To: "Patrick Grieve" <pgreive@coj.net>

Hello Mr. Greive,

I am the sole-proprietor (professional photographer) from Monday Night's Council meeting, who reported the issues I had in accessing The City/Vystar Relief Loan.

I want to thank you for making Vystar aware sole-proprietors who hire contractors *can apply* for the relief loan. Can you please change the website so businesses will know they qualify. Today I successfully submitted my relief loan application.

While I don't necessarily believe this loan is reaching those who need its,

I did want your team to know the application process was refreshingly straightforward. I filled out an easy to understand, 1-page application, and attached the necessary documents (all I had on hand) in *under* 10 minutes.

I run a Facebook Group for about 1500 local businesses. We have some questions regarding the loan that we can't seem to get direct answers to.

Could you make a few minutes to chat with me over the phone?

Brandi Hill

----- Forwarded message ------ From: "Photography by Brandi Hill" <brandi@brandihill.com> Date: 5/8/2020 at 8:56am Subject: They referred me to you To: "Patrick Grieve" <pgreive@coj.net>

Patrick,

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From:
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Michael Toussaint <freshmexjax@gmail.com> Tuesday, July 07, 2020 3:20 PM CCMeeting07282020 name change to Bently road information ordinance 2020-262

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I wish to comment on this matter. I am in the process of hiring an attorney. I have yet to hear back from my landlord John Watts who insists he never received notice of the ordinance listed above. I was never informed By him and now I am getting zero response from the Bentley attorney either. I believe currently he has been working with them and not telling us and is receiving financial compensation. This entire thing has added stress on myself and my business. I can not afford to process address changes and unfortunately I have been diagnosed in the last week with stage 3 cancer. I need help to communicate by protest and to not allow my landlord and this large developer to destroy my business and create unnecessary work for our business. Please advise.

Amanda Andruzzi-Toussaint, MHP, CHC, AADP, Health & Nutrition Expert Owner, Fresh-Mex & Co. <u>www.freshmexjax.com</u>

From: Sent: To: Dean Melvin <damelvin@bellsouth.net> Friday, July 03, 2020 8:35 AM CCMeeting07282020

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Can someone on the Mayor's staff answer the question regarding the enforcement piece of the mask mandate? I've heard no clear, concise answer to that question, though asked twice so far.

Dean A. Melvin 7851 Catskills Court Jacksonville, Florida 32244

From:	Heather Brown <nowtherer3@gmail.com></nowtherer3@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, July 02, 2020 1:26 PM
То:	CCMeeting07282020
Cc:	governorron.desantis@eog.myflorida.com
Subject:	Remove mask mandate

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Encourage mask use, but do no force people to wear mask! There is top officials from Dr. Fauci, WHO, US Surgeon General and more that state healthy people should NOT wear a mask! See some sources below. Thank you, Heather Smith



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"Moisture retention, reuse of cloth masks and poor filtration may result in

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WHO stands by recommendation to not

# wear masks if you are not sick

"There is no specific evidence to suggest that the wearing of masks by the mass population has any potential benefit. In fact, there's some evidence to suggest the opposite in the misuse of wearing a mask properly or fitting it properly," (Dr. Mike Ryan, executive director of the WHO health emergencies program) (SOURCE: <u>https://www.cnn.com/</u> 2020/03/30...)



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Joey Szymanski Forced face masking is a civil rights I just sent them this pic with the article and this email:

Let's follow suit in PBC!!!!!!!! Enough is enough!!! Encourage masks and then everyone gets to choose for themselves based on their own medical history. It is discriminatory against people to require those with SEVERE medical issues!!!

https://www.wfla.com/community/health/coronavirus/ desantis-dismisses-covid-19-spike-rejectsmandatory-masks/

CORONAVIRUS

# DeSantis dismisses COVID-19 spike, rejects mandatory masks









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From: Sent: To: Subject: Scott Zacher <szacher86@gmail.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 12:38 PM CCMeeting07282020 Covid-19

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"Personal Responsibility" and a "Mask Mandate" seem contradictory to me. We are trying to legislate a virus, and it is a fool's errand. The government should provide information and make recommendations and nothing more. In a free society, the citizens have the right to choose what is best (or worst) for them. Curtailing civil liberties in the name of public health is a dangerous path to go down.

Sincerely, Scott Zacher

From: Sent: To: Subject: Tracy Turner <tracyturner65@yahoo.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 11:47 AM CCMeeting07282020 MANDATING OF WEARING A MASK

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#### Dear Sir/Madam,

I hope all is well. I am writing regarding being mandated to wear a mask in public "again." When COVID-19 first became a huge fear for the American people, most citizens complied with every request that was put into place to help slow the progression. People were mandated to stay home, and in doing so, some people lost their source income, some people weren't able to feed their children and regardless of the direction of State officials there were still those who completely disregarded instruction. I truly think a lot of what is going on now is VERY political and that certain politicians are hoping to gain something ... whatever that "something" is. All these protests and riots have occurred all over and now we are being "mandated" to wear a mask ... this request is not fair. It is not fair because thousands of people were gathered, most times shoulder to shoulder, and NOTHING was said or done. I feel as though none of them should have been able to wear mask and hide behind them. If they wanted to attempt to make bold statements, then cowardly actions should not have been accepted. I want to see the faces of those who deface the properties of others that have spent a lifetime trying to build. It is not fair because I practice social distancing. It is not fair because I constantly wash my hands. It is not fair because I choose not to touch my face or rub my eyes until my hands are clean. It is not fair because I carry sanitizer with me everywhere I go and use it.

Now to speak about the media which is almost as corrupt as certain politicians. The only news reported is the news that is guaranteed to create more chaos and fear. Well, I am not a person who is easily scared by anything or anyone. I am a law-abiding American citizen who feels as those my character is being taken advantage of. The media does NOT report the entire story regarding anything that has to do with COVID-19 or the Commander in Chief. I have a question ... can you please produce the number of the newly active cases of COVID-19 where people have actually been hospitalized, being treated at home, or have resulted in death? I have not heard any information about that which tells me that information would actually decrease fear and give a sense of peace. I can hardly listen to the news because it is now based on the journalist's opinions and not the facts, that of which I have no interest in.

It truly is a shame that money is such a motivating factor in politics. I will never understand how someone can offer their soul to evil for the sake of their own agenda that is most times followed by destruction. The United States is not in a race war as the media would love for me to believe. I come across too much good to ever believe that. I guess not enough people bought into BLM and now they have reverted back to COVID-19. All I can say, is the American people are getting tired ... tired of the lies, deceit, and those who only serve themselves along with their unwillingness to actually care about us and what we want. Stop expecting more from me than you do yourself.

From an American citizen who does not hide behind a mask and will always choose right over wrong, good over evil and others before self.

Tracy Turner-Walker

From: Sent: To: Subject: khaled akkoub <kakkoub@yahoo.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 11:26 AM CCMeeting07282020 COVID-19 lockdown

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Hi,

My name is Kal Akkoub. I am a concerned citizen and resident of Duval County. It breaks my heart to see and hear about death and suffering due to this imported disease. However, I question the efficacy and value of this lockdown. Simply put, why quarantine and lockdown everyone.? Why not protect the old and vulnerable who are more likely to get seriously sick or die, but let everybody else get back to work with sensible precautions like wearing a mask, washing hands, etc. The risk of serious sickness and death for healthy people is minuscule; they are more likely to die from gun violence, car accidents or even the common flu. We are well on our way to mass economical suicide in our State and there is no end in sight. Trillions of dollars (which the government does not have and borrowed from future generations) have already been spent in trying to mitigate the downturn due to this virus, probable many trillions more will be spent if we stay this course. Enough is enough. Mass madness is not a solution!

Best regards, KA

From: Sent: To: Subject: Robert Bowers <rcbowers61@gmail.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 11:25 AM CCMeeting07282020 Controlling COVID-19

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Yes! Keep encouraging people to come together by practicing personal responsibility. Together we can stop the spread of this virus. Wearing a mask is not fun but at this point it's the best weapon we have along with the other safety precautions to take controll. Wearing a mask will save lives. Maybe a few billboards around the city will help encorage people to use this weapon against COVID-19. - Thanks, Bob Bowers

From: Sent: To: Subject: Melissa Wiggins <beefy1026@gmail.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 10:49 AM CCMeeting07282020 Bar restrictions

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I work as a bartender in a restaurant. Can the city clarify the closing of bars? Does this include bars in restaurants? The bar a work in had limited seating that enforced the social distancing guidelines of keeping guests 6ft apart. Since the state has closed "bars" there are currently no seats and no service at my bar. There are a lot of bars inside restaurants in the city that are still open. The hospitality industry needs clarification on the policy.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sabrena Snow <sabrena.snow@mainspringacademy.org> Thursday, July 02, 2020 10:43 AM CCMeeting07282020 Mask questions

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#### Hi there,

While we are strong advocates for wearing masks, and we believe that anyone capable should be wearing one, we are also advocates for our students. Most of them will not tolerate a mask, and as a result are essentially being shunned from society. The ADA exemption in the mask mandate as it is written says that businesses are required to make accommodations in their service, but that they do not have to let them into their place of business without a mask. So, many of our students could potentially be shunned from being out in the community at any level.

What exemptions will you make for individuals with autism and other intellectual disabilities?

Sabrena Snow Director of Student and Community Affairs Mainspring Academy Phone: (904)503-0344 Fax: (904)503-0469 6700 Southpoint Pkwy, Suite 400 Jacksonville, FL 32216 www.mainspringacademy.org www.facebook.com/mainspringacademyjax www.instagram.com/mainspringacademy



From: Sent: To: Subject: Roland Szukhent III <rolandszukhent@yahoo.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 9:52 AM CCMeeting07282020 Mask Mandate Propaganda

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Sounds a lot like Nazi propaganda. In 1938 They asked the Jews to wear The Star of David, and by 1939 it was a requirement to wear The Star of David. How much longer until YOU force us into a Holocaust? Are the concentration camps ready? Is the mayor practicing Hitler propaganda? Sounds dangerous! Who will set us free?

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Roland Szukhent III <rolandszukhent@yahoo.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 9:45 AM CCMeeting07282020 Mask Mandate Failure

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Forcing me to wear a face mask in order to enter a building or be in public is discrimination against my religion. I put my faith in GOD not in a mask. GOD has always gotten his people through every struggle! Please DON'T DISCRIMINATE AGAINST MY RELIGION!

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Lisa Glennon <mytrumpin2020@gmail.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 9:18 AM CCMeeting07282020 Mandatory Masks for Duval County

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## Dear Madam/Sir,

My name is Lisa Glennon and I am 59 years old. While I do understand the threat of Covid-19 there are some things about it I don't agree with the main stream about. We shut down our entire country for a virus and started telling people to make sure you washed your hands and used a bacterial soap and used Purel to get the bacteria from your hands, yet we still have over 100,000 people who died.

If this was a virus, which there are conflicting reports, a bacterial soap and/or bacterial sanitizer is not going to help in a viral situation. Then we were told to wear masks because of the spray from talking, singing, coughing, sneezing, etc. We heeded that warning and when we could no longer buy masks we made them. It became a lucrative business for a lot of people who went to every Joann's fabrics and bought every bolt of fabric and sewing machine and went into their garage and started sewing masks that cost them \$1.00 to make and turn around and charge \$14.00 to nurses, doctors, and the elderly. Thank God there were some of us who made them and donated them to the elderly, our men and women in blue, etc.

Then in Florida we had our numbers down because our Governor knew how to do it despite having to allow cruise ships that did not come out of our ports, come into our ports, into our areas where our port of call people had to be around them. Even with Spring Breakers in the Pan Handle we still never showed a high amount of Coronavirus cases in Florida. Now we are testing more which we knew was going to happen and we've opened our borders to New Yorkers, New Jersey, Connecticut, Wisconsin, Michigan, etc. known hot spots and I live by the Covid-19 check point off of 95 and there are times no one is there and it's not manned so people are coming in without being quarantined. I'm also not stupid enough to think we don't have people coming into this state with vials of it intending to attempt to destroy the Republic National Convention.

All of this being said however, we have not seen a spike in Covid-19 deaths in our state. Yes the Coronavirus tests are up but we aren't over running our ICU's and we are not seeing a spike in DEATH's. So my question is shouldn't it be OUR choice if we want to wear a mask if we were doing just fine when we WEREN'T mandated? We are not allowing ourselves to breath in fresh oxygen that it takes to keep us alive. Take the mandate off of us. We are grown ups, not children. If you want to mandate for the elderly in nursing homes or the ones who are high risk I can understand but for those of us who have been tested and tested negative we should not be mandated to wear any kind of face covering.

Sincerely, Lisa J. Glennon

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A Mayors "Executive Order" is not a law! That is why we have 3 branches of government! It's laughable trying to mandate something that WILL be thrown out in court! Jacksonville mayor is ignorant and a pushover!

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Renee Jennis <jennisrenee@yahoo.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 8:43 AM CCMeeting07282020 Please read

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I have a son in a military academy and this information was just released. Please read and think about the concept at which how dangerous Covid is. Our government is protecting its troops in order to protect us. Can't we do the same by keeping and enforcing mandating masks?

Renee Jennis

https://www.newsweek.com/pentagon-bans-these-3-states-travel-us-service-members-1514252

Sent from my iPhone

From:
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Kathleen Smith <smithnotaryservice@gmail.com> Thursday, July 02, 2020 7:37 AM CCMeeting07282020 Re: Automatic reply: FORCED MASK WEARING

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another thing - if masks work so great then why weren't' they given to prisoners instead of releasing criminals?????

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