

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR ENHANCED MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

At 5:00 p.m. on both July 26, 2022 and August 9, 2022, the City Council for the City of Jacksonville, Florida, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 197, Florida Statutes, shall conduct a public hearing in the City Council Chambers, first floor, City Hall, 117 West Duval Street, Jacksonville, Florida to consider Ordinance 2022-488, the approval of which would adopt the final roll for a special, non-ad valorem assessment of certain properties within the Downtown area of the City of Jacksonville. At these hearings, City Council will hear from owners of affected properties or any other interested persons as to the propriety and advisability of the improvements to be funded therewith, their cost and manner, and the amount of the assessment to be levied. The Special Assessment will apply to non-exempt commercial and residential properties in the Downtown Business Improvement District, which includes the contiguous zone created by the following boundaries: 1) On the Northbank of the St. Johns River North of McCoy's Creek, the boundaries are Lee Street, State Street, Hogan's Creek, and McCoy's Creek and the St. Johns River; 2) On the Southbank of the St. Johns River, the boundaries are the St. Johns River, Alamo Street, and Interstate 95; and 3) On the Northbank of the St. John's River south of McCoy's Creek, the boundaries are Interstate 95, Riverside Avenue, the Acosta Bridge, and the St. John's River. The Downtown Business Improvement District further includes those properties on both sides of Lee Street and Riverside Avenue, where they constitute the District boundaries.

The proposed 2022 Special Assessment, which is expected to generate total revenues of **\$1,659,690.00** during **FY22/23**, will be based upon 1.1 mils, or \$1.10 per \$1,000 of taxable value on properties in the district. This is the same rate used to calculate the Special Assessment on Downtown commercial properties for the past nineteen years. The estimated assessment for **RE [PARCEL NUMBER]** for **FY 22/23** is **\$(ASSESSMENT AMOUNT)**. These funds will be used for enhanced cleaning, safety, hospitality, maintenance, beautification activation, marketing, promotions, data and information management, stakeholder support, and other services and needs applicable to the Downtown area.

Failure to pay the assessment may cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in a loss of title. All affected property owners (who will be sent written notices) have the right to appear at the public hearing. Pursuant to Section 715.206(c) *Ordinance Code*, all objections to the Final Assessment Ordinance shall be made in writing and filed with the City of Jacksonville at or before the public hearing.

If any person decides to appeal any decision of the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the public hearing, he or she will need a recording of the proceedings; and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings be made, which record includes that testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons needing special accommodations to attend any hearing noticed hereinabove shall contact the Legislative Services Division at 904-255-5122 not less than 48 hours before a hearing or meeting in order to make arrangements.

If you have questions, please contact Downtown Vision, Inc. at [downtownvision@dtjax.org](mailto:downtownvision@dtjax.org).

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA**

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