

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, 1st Floor, City Hall

Transportation, Energy & Utilities Committee

Ju'Coby Pittman, Chair

Joyce Morgan, Vice Chair

Matt Carlucci

LeAnna Cumber

Aaron Bowman, Excused Absence

Randy DeFoor

Reggie Gaffney, Jr.

Legislative Assistant: Chelsea Carlson

Council Auditor's Office: Edward Linsky

Council Research: Jeff Clements

Office of General Counsel: Sharon Wyskiel

Administration: Rachel Zimmer

Planning Dept.: Laurie Santana

Meeting Convened: 2:03 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:15 p.m.

Present: 6 - Chair Ju'Coby Pittman, Vice Chair Joyce Morgan, Council Member Matt Carlucci, Council Member LeAnna Cumber, Council Member Randy DeFoor and Council Member Reggie Gaffney Jr.

Excused: 1 - Council Member Aaron Bowman

Attendance:

Council President Freeman (2022-875); Ed Linsky – Council Auditor’s Office; Sharon Wyskiel, Carla Lopera, Mary Staffopoulos – General Counsel’s Office; Jeff Clements – Council Research Division; Merriane Lahmeur, Maritza Sanchez, Chelsea Carlson – Legislative Services Division; Teresa Eichner, Eric Grantham and Steve Cassada - Public Information Division; Brian Hughes, Rachel Zimmer, Ryan Murphy – Mayor’s Office; Lori Boyer – DIA; Chief Keith Powers – Fire and Rescue Department

Chairwoman Pittman welcomed newly elected Council Member Reggie Gaffney Jr. to the committee. The attendees introduced themselves for the record and the Chair reviewed the agenda items.

Presentation by Chief Powers, JFRD

Fire Chief Keith Powers gave an update on fire station construction projects. Four fire stations are currently under construction. Two are 98-100% complete (#4 and #10), one is approximately 80% complete (#65) and another is less than 20% complete (#75). Ten other stations are in varying stages of planning, design, and land acquisition in preparation for construction in the next several years.

CM DeFoor asked about Station #68; Chief Powers said that will be a marine-only fireboat station that will be in the southern portion of the city, possibly on land donated by NAS Jacksonville. CM Morgan asked if land has been acquired for Fire Stations #66 and 67. Chief Powers said it has not because those stations are in the CIP in the “beyond 5 years” category. Station #66 will be somewhere in the vicinity of Merrill Road and Hartsfield Road, pursuant to the TriData consultant report. Chairwoman Pittman asked whether Fire Station #4 downtown is a designated historic landmark. Chief Powers said that it is not, despite having been built in 1927. He described the factors that are used to determine where new stations need to be located, which include distance between stations, the number of calls each station runs, and traffic and road conditions that affect response time from each station.

Item/File No. Title History

1. [2022-0416](#) ORD Reapprop \$94,875,967.35 from CIPs that have been Certified Complete by the Director of Public Works & Closed, Their Residual Balances Returned to the Source or Sources of Origin, & Placed in a Contingency Account, Transferring \$38,920,804.62 btwn Expense Accounts Among Various Projs within the Better Jax Plan Fund to Complete Outstanding Projs as Described in the Work Plan, & Auth Borrowing from the City's Commercial Paper Facility &/or Issuance of Fixed-Rate Debt in the Cumulative, Not-To-Exceed Amt of \$85,063,552.37 & Approp Thereof to Prov Funds for Capital Improvements; Amend 2021-504-E, the FY 2021 Budget Ord, to Replace 4th Revised Scheduled B4, the FY 2021-2022 Debt Management Fund Detail, & Revised Scheduled B4b, the FY 2021-2022 Capital Improvements Projs Funded Via Borrowing, to Auth the Borrowing &/or the Issuance of Fixed-Rate Debt for the Projs as set Forth in the Better Jax Work Plan; Amend the 2022-2026 5-Yr Capital Improvement Prog Apv'd by Ord 2021-505-E; Prov for City Oversight by the Dept of Public Works (Sawyer) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor)
5/24/22 CO Introduced: F, TEU
6/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/7/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/14/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer: TEU, F
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 6/14/22

DEFER

2. [2022-0574](#) ORD-MC Amending Chapt 804 (Jacksonville Traffic Code), Ord Code, to Create a new Pt 17 (Pedestrian & Vehicle Safety); Prov a Statement of Legislative Intent; Prov Procedures for Enforcement; Prov for Penalties (Young) (Introduced by CM Carrico) (Co-Sponsor CM Ferraro)
7/26/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU
8/1/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/2/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/9/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 8/9/22

DEFER

3. [2022-0718](#) ORD re Ch 745 (Addressing & Street Naming Regulations) Ord Code; Estab an Honorary St Designation & Assoc Rdwy Markers for Apostle Dr. Gentle L. Groover, Sr.; Estab an Honorary St Designation on Rowe Ave Extending from Lem Turner Rd to Moncrief Rd for Apostle Dr. Gentle L. Groover, Sr.; Prov for Installation of 2 Honorary Rdwy Markers to be Located in Approp Locations on the Designated Rd; Waiver of 745.105 (I) (2) which Requires that the Honoree be Deceased for at Least 5 Yrs; Waiver of Sec 74.105 (I) (3) which Requires that the Honoree Live in the Community Within 5 Miles of the St Being Designated for at Least 10 Yrs; Directing the Legislative Svcs Div to Forward this Ord to Planning & Dev Dept for Processing, Implementation & Coordination with the Public Works, Traffic Engineering & Other Affected Agencies & Orgs (Dist 8-Pittman) (Pollock) (Introduced by CM Pittman)
9/27/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, TEU
10/3/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/3/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/4/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/11/22 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/25/22 CO PH Only
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 745.105, Ord Code, & 166.041 F.S. – 11/1/22,
11/15/22, 1/4/23
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 10/25/22

DEFER

4. [2022-0793](#) ORD re Ch 745 (Addressing & Street Naming Regulations) Ord Code; Estab an Honorary St Designation & Assoc Rdwy Markers for Fred William Callahan; Estab an Honorary St Designation on Myrtle Ave Extending From 5th St to 6th St for Fred William Callahan; Providing for the Installation of 2 Honorary Rdwy Markers to be Located in Approp Locations on the Designated Road; Waiver of Sec 745.105 (I) (2) which Requires that the Honoree be Deceased for at least 5 Yrs; Waiver of Sec 745.105 (I) (3) which Requires that the Honoree Reside in the Community Within 5 Miles of the Designated St for at Least 10 Yrs; Directing the Legislative Svcs Div to Forward this Ord to the Planning & Dev Dept for Processing & Coordination with the Public Works Dept, Traffic Engineering & Other Affected Agencies & Orgs (Dist 8-Pittman) (Pollock) (Introduced by CM Pittman)
10/25/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, TEU
10/31/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/31/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/1/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/9/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/5/22 NCSPHS Withdraw 7-0
12/5/22 R Withdraw 6-0
12/6/22 TEU Withdraw 6-0
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 745.105, Ord Code, & 166.041 F.S. – 11/15/22,
12/6/22
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 11/9/22

WITHDRAW

Aye: 6 - Pittman, Morgan, Carlucci, Cumber, DeFoor and Gaffney Jr.

Excused: 1 - Bowman

5. [2022-0838](#) Ord Approp a \$20,000,000 Grant Awarded by FL Dept of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the LaSalle St Outfall Proj; Amend the 2023-2027 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Reflect FDEP Grant Funding for the Proj; Prov Oversight by Public Works (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by the CP at Request of Mayor)
11/9/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
11/14/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/15/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/15/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/22/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/5/22 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
12/6/22 F Approve 6-0
12/6/22 TEU Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 11/22/22

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Pittman, Morgan, Carlucci, Cumber, DeFoor and Gaffney Jr.

Excused: 1 - Bowman

• **Grant requires a \$20 million match from the City which was included in the FY 22/23 budget**

6. [2022-0839](#) ORD re Ch 745 (Addressing & Street Naming Regulations) Ord Code; to Re-Name “Gator Bowl Boulevard” Beginning at A. Philip Randolph Blvd & Extending to Commodore Point Expwy at the Base of the Hart Bridge as “East Bay Street”; Directing the Legislative Svcs Div to Forward This Ord to Planning & Dev & Public Works (Pollock) (Introduced by CM Gaffney)
11/9/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU
11/14/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/15/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/22/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/5/22 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
12/6/22 TEU PH Amend/Approve 6-0
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 745.105, Ord Code, & 166.041, F.S. – 12/6/22
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 11/22/22

The public hearing was opened and closed – no speakers. Ed Linsky of the Council Auditor’s Office explained the amendment.

PH AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Pittman, Morgan, Carlucci, Cumber, DeFoor and Gaffney Jr.

Excused: 1 - Bowman

AMENDMENT

1. Page 1, line 16, after “re-name” insert “a portion of”
2. Reflect renaming as “East Bay Street” throughout bill

7. [2022-0852](#) ORD-MC Estab the Acree Community Dev Dist (Acree CDD), Pursuant to Sec 190.005, F.S., & Ch 92, Ord Code, Including the Grant of Special Powers; Naming the Acree CDD; Describing the External Boundaries of the Acree CDD; Consenting to Future Expansion of the Acree CDD to Sufficiently Contiguous Lands in Accord with Sec 190.046 (1) (h) (3), F.S.; Naming the Initial Acree CDD Board of Supervisors; Amend Sec 92.22 (Existing Community Development Districts), Ch 92 (Uniform Development Districts), Ord Code, to Include the Acree CDD; Prov for Conflict & Severability (Wyskiel) (TEU) (PD Apv)
(Companions 2022-850 & 2022-851)
11/22/22 CO Introduced: TEU, LUZ
12/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/6/22 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 & Sec 190.05, F.S. & Sec 92.11, Ord Code - 1/24/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

8. [2022-0861](#) ORD-MC Estab the Cope's Landing Community Dev Dist (Cope's Landing CDD), Pursuant to Sec 190.005, F.S., & Ch 92, Ord Code, Including the Grant of Special Powers; Naming the Cope's Landing CDD; Describing the External Boundaries of the Cope's Landing CDD; Naming the Initial Cope's Landing CDD Board of Supervisors; Amend Sec 92.22 (Existing Community Development Districts), Ch 92 (Uniform Development Districts), Ord Code, to Include the Cope's Landing CDD; Prov for Conflict & Severability (Wyskiel) (Introduced by TEU Committee pursuant to Sec 92.09, Ord Code) (PD Apv)
11/22/22 CO Introduced: TEU
12/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 & Sec 190.005, F.S. & Sec 92.11 Ord Code – 1/10/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

9. [2022-0866](#) ORD Approp \$750,000 from the Drainage System Rehab – DSR General Capital Projects Proj to the Silver St Drainage Improvements Proj to Pay for Removal & Replacement of the Existing Storm Drainpipe & Inlet System on Silver St Beginning Near 7th St & Ending at the Outlet of Hogan's Creek in Klutho Park; Amend the 2023-2027 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Reflect This Approp of Funds from the Drainage System Rehab – DSR General Capital Projects Proj to the Silver St Drainage Improvements Proj (B.T. 23-020) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor)
11/22/22 CO Introduced: F, TEU
12/6/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 12/13/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

10. [2022-0867](#) ORD Closing & Abandoning &/or Disclaiming an Open & Unimproved Portion of the Dillon St R/W, Estab in the Replat of the W. R. Thompson Sub-Division, As Recorded, at the Req of Wholesalers Property Co. LLC, Subj to Reservation Unto JEA of an All Utilities, Facilities & Access Easement; Prov for Appvl Subj to Conds (Dist. 9 – Clark-Murray) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor)
11/22/22 CO Introduced: TEU
12/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 336.10, F.S. - 1/4/23
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 12/13/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

11. [2022-0868](#) ORD Approp a \$74,600.00 Grant from the U. S. EPA, Funded Through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, to Procure Equipment for Air Quality Monitoring for Particulate Matter In & Near Communities with Environmental Justice Concerns; Prov for Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept, Environmental Quality Div (B. T. 23-019) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced at Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray & Gaffney, Jr.)
11/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
12/5/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/6/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 12/13/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

12. [2022-0869](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a Transfer & Maintenance Agrmt btwn the City of Jax & FDOT Providing the Terms & Conditions for FDOT's Construction of Various Improvements to Roads & Intersections on City Owned & Maintained Propty & R/W as Pt of the I-95 Widening Proj with Subsequent Transfer of Certain Improvements Constructed on Both City & FDOT Propty to the City for Ongoing Operation, Maintenance & Repair; Prov for City Oversight by Public Works (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
11/22/22 CO Introduced: F, TEU
12/6/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 12/13/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

13. [2022-0871](#) ORD Approp \$7,100,000 from the Northbank Riverwalk – Northbank Bulkhead Proj to the Northbank Central Marina Proj to Fund Certain City-Owned Improvements to be Constructed by the Hotel Developer; Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, to Execute: (1) An Office Building Redev Agrmt (Office Redev Agreement) Among the City, DIA & Shipyards Office, LLC (Office Developer), an Affiliate of Iguana Investments Florida, LLC, for the Design & Construction of a Class A Office Building with No Less than 141,300 Gross sq ft (Office Improvements), Consistent With the Improvements Previously Auth, Which in Part Authorizes the Sale of the ±1.05-Acre Office Building Parcel to the Office Developer at a Purchase Price of \$3,200,000, & Auth an Assignment of the Existing Office Building Ground Lease from the City to the Office Developer; (2) An Amended & Restated Hotel Redev Agrmt (Hotel Redev Agreement) Among the City, DIA, & Shipyards Hotel, LLC, an Affiliate of Iguana Investments Florida, LLC (Hotel Developer), Which Amends & Restates the Previously Auth Redev Agrmt for the Design & Construction of a Luxury Hotel with No Fewer than 170 Rooms, No Fewer than 23 Class A Condo Units (Collectively, the “Hotel Improvements”); (3) A Revised Marina Support Building Costs Disbursement Agrmt for the Construction by the Developer on Behalf of the City of a Marina Support Building of No Less Than 6,000 sq ft & Events Lawn of ± 1 Acre Having an Estimated Cost to the City of \$9,875,667.00 (Collectively, the “Marina Support Building Improvements”); (4) A Rev Marina, Bulkhead & Pier Improvements Costs Disbursement Agrmt with an Estimated Cost to the City of \$28,856,125 (Marina Improvements); (5) A Rev Riverwalk Improvements Costs Disbursement Agrmt with an Estimated Cost to the City of \$4,103,135 (Riverwalk Improvements), with All Cost Overruns in the Aggregate the Responsibility of the Hotel Developer, All on the Northbank of the St. Johns River Within the Downtown East Northbank Downtown Community Redevelopment Area (Project); (6) A Modification, Consent & Reaffirmation of Guaranty for the Hotel Improvements in Favor of the City & DIA; (7) A Rev Guaranty Agrmt for the Office Improvements in favor of the City & DIA; & (8) Rev Easements & Related Docs as Described in the Hotel Redev Agrmt & Office Redev Agrmt; Extending the Previously Auth Right of 1st Offer in Favor of the Hotel Developer Over an ±4.96 Acre Parcel of Land from 12/31/24 to 6/30/25; Auth a Rev, 75%, 20 Yr REV Grant in the Max Amt Not to Exceed \$50,581,200 in Connection with the Construction of the Hotel Improvements, Which Increases the Max Amt Thereof by \$2,897,245; Auth a New 75 %, 20 Yr REV Grant in the Max Amt Not to Exceed \$8,120,300 in Connection with the Construction of the Office Building Improvements; Amend the 2023-2027 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Adjust Funding Levels for Each of the City-Owned Projs & to Auth Expenditure of Cost Savings on Completion of Each City-Owned Proj; Waiving Sec 122.811 (a), (Sales of Tangible Personal Propty; Prohibition of Sales to Certain Persons), Ord Code, to Allow Sale of Any Surplus Tangible Propty of the City Located on the Proj Parcel by Each of the Hotel Developer & Office Developer; Prov for City Oversight of the Proj by Public Works & Parks, Rec & Community Svcs; Auth the Execution of all Docs Relating to the Above Agrmts & Transactions, & Auth Tech Changes to the

Documents; Waiver of that Portion of the Public Investment Polity Adopted by Ord 2016-382-E, as Amend, to Auth the REV Grant on the Office Building & the Increase in the REV Grant for the Hotel Improvements, Which are Not Auth by the Public Investment Policy (B. T. 23-028) (Sawyer) (Introduced by CP at Req of DIA)

11/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, TEU

12/5/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer

12/5/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

12/6/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer

12/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer

Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 12/13/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

14. [2022-0874](#) ORD Auth the Borrowing & Approp From the City’s Commercial Paper Facility in the Up To Max Amt of \$17,500,000, To Prov: (1) A \$12,500,000, 10-Yr Term, 3.5% Interest Loan; & (2) A \$5,000,000 Revolving Line of Credit; Prov for Funds Carryover to FY 25-26; Auth a \$10,000,000 Grant, Subj to Future Appropriation, in Each Case to the JAXPORT to Support the Raising of the Fulton Cut Crossing Electric Transmission Lines, to Increase the Number & Capacity of Vessels Able to call on JAXPORT Ports; Amend 2022-504-E, the FY 22-23 Budget Ord, to Replace the 2nd Revised Schedule B4 in Order to Auth the Borrowing &/or the Issuance of Debt For the “Raising of Powerlines” & “JPA Obligation – Fulton Cut Powerlines” Projs; Auth the City to Enter Into an Agrmt With the JAXPORT to Prov the Loan & Grant as Further Detailed Therein; Invoking Exception of 126.107 (G) (Exemptions), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Direct Contract With JAXPORT; Requesting That the Finance & Admin Dept Administer the Agrmt Authorized Herein (B.T. 23-027) (Sawyer) (Introduced by CP Freeman at Req of Mayor) (Co-Introduced by CVP Salem)

11/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, TEU, JWC

12/5/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer

12/5/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

12/6/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer

12/6/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer

Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 12/13/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

15. [2022-0875](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver That Certain Temp Construction Easement Btwn the City & Jacksonville Historic Naval Ship Association, Inc., For a Term of 4 Months, Over ±4.5 Acres of City-Owned Submerged Lands & Pier One Located on the Westerly Boundary of the Property Generally Known as the Shipyards, to Allow for the Installation by Company at its Expense of 8 Mooring Bollards & 3 Mooring Dolphins as Necessary to Support the Mooring of the USS Orleck at That Location, As Further Detailed in the Easement; Prov For Oversight by Public Works; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage (Sawyer) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor)
11/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU
12/5/22 NCSPHS Emergency/Approve 7-0
12/6/22 TEU Emergency/Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 12/13/22

Chief Administrative Officer Brian Hughes described the nature of the emergency to get the mooring infrastructure work started in time for the ship to move from its current location by March 31, 2023. DIA Executive Director Lori Boyer explained that her ability to grant extensions of the ship’s contractual obligation deadline to be in its final location ends on March 31st. Jim Webb with the Jacksonville Historic Naval Ship organization described the history of the ship acquisition and the potential locations at Pier 1 or Pier 4. At CM Carlucci’s request, Ms. Boyer described how the ship fits into the Shipyards West development scheme. For the last 8 years all planning for the Northbank waterfront has been done with the understanding that the Orleck would be at Pier 1 in conjunction with the Fire Museum. She said that the DIA intends to introduce new legislation shortly to memorialize the changes in conditions that affect the agreement. Mr. Webb said the contract for the Pier 1 mooring work was signed by the Orleck organization last week and by Hal Jones Construction today.

CM Carlucci asked Mr. Hughes about the City’s commitment to do what it takes to make the USS Orleck project successful. Mr. Hughes described how the City has been accommodating to the project in the areas of permitting, fee waivers, docking location and contract extensions. CM Morgan asked about the nature of the relationship between the USS Orleck organization and William Harrell and his proposed Veterans Museum organization. Mr. Webb described the relationship between the two organizations which are separate but hope to be complementary to each other in attracting visitors interested in military history. Mr. Harrell said that he has raised \$2 million in private funds and is working with Florida Speaker of the House Paul Renner on another \$2 million in state funds toward his Veterans Museum project. He said that locating the Orleck at Pier 1 will kill that project and his because of the lack of visitor parking in the area.

EMERGENCY APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Pittman, Morgan, Carlucci, Cumber, DeFoor and Gaffney Jr.

Excused: 1 - Bowman

- **The term of the easement extends beyond the expiration of the development agreement (3/31/23)**

COMMENT:

The Jacksonville Historic Naval Ship Association has not yet provided DIA evidence of funding necessary to complete the project in the amount of \$2,656,719. This is a requirement to enter into the future license agreement to operate the ship museum. The license agreement must be entered into by 3/31/23.

Public Comment

Carnell Oliver said that white supremacists are threatening Jacksonville and the Mayor should take the Confederate monuments down immediately. The Florida Legislature needs to enact bipartisan gun control legislation. Jacksonville needs to tackle its racism problem.

Bruce Fouraker thanked the committee for its emergency vote in favor of the USS Orleck. 2022-874 should be supported to raise the power lines at Blount Island to improve access to the port by larger ships.

William Harrell said his comments on 2022-875 are now largely irrelevant given his inability to address the committee before the vote was taken. He understands that the mooring work contracts are contingent upon favorable Council action on the bill next week. He said that going back to the USS Adams process 10 years ago and continuing through the USS Orleck, the ordinances and contracts all referred to the street address that matches Pier 4. How that has come to be changed to Pier 1 deserves to be researched. Parking is crucial to the success of any development at Pier 1 and he does not believe that sufficient parking will be available at that site given the state's restrictions on use of the land.

John Nooney recommended that the USS Orleck be relocated to the new bulkhead behind the Performing Arts Center and said the Tourist Development Council could provide funding for the project from the reserve funds being appropriated next week. He advocated for a kayak launch on Catherine Street. He said he has been shut out of the FIND process for the last 2 years. FIND funds could help with the Orleck project.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

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

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