

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 15, 2024

2:00 PM

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

Rules Committee

Terrance Freeman, Chair

Randy White, Vice Chair -

Excused Late Arrival 2:15 PM

& Excused Early Departure 4:30 PM

Ken Amaro

Michael Boylan - Excused Late Arrival 3:25 PM

Joe Carlucci

Rahman Johnson - Excused Late Arrival 2:12 PM

Chris Miller

Legislative Assistant: Steven Libby

Council Auditor's Office: Trista Carraher

Council Research: Colleen Hampsey

Office of General Counsel: Carla Lopera

Administration: Scott Wilson

Meeting Convened: 2:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 4:42 PM

Present: 7 - Chair Terrance Freeman, Vice Chair Randy White, Council Member Ken Amaro, Council Member Joe Carlucci, Council Member Rahman Johnson, Council Member Chris Miller and Council Member Michael Boylan

Attendance:

CM Carlucci - 2024-253

CM Clark-Murray - 2024-119

CM Lahnen - 2024-257 & 2024-261

CM Peluso - 2024-253

Item/File No.	Title History
1. 2023-0307	ORD-MC re the Jax Police & Fire Pension Board of Trustees; Amend Sec 22.12 of the Charter of the COJ; Prov for Codification Instructions (Hodges) (Co-Introduced by CP Freeman at Req of Jax Police & Fire Pension Board of Trustees & CM White) (Co-Sponsor CM Pittman) 5/9/23 CO Introduced: R, F 5/15/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer 5/16/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer 5/23/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 5/23/23
DEFER	
2. 2024-0119	ORD Relating to the Council Rules; Amend CR 4.601 (Majority Action), Ch 4 (Procedures), Pt 6 (Voting), Council Rules, to Provide That a Tie Vote on a Quasi-Judicial Matter Does Not Constitute a Denial (Teal) (Req of OGC) 2/13/24 CO Introduced: R, LUZ 2/20/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer 2/21/24 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer 2/27/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer 4/15/24 R Amend/Approve 6-0 4/16/24 LUZ Amend/Approve 7-0 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 2/27/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson and Miller

Excused: 1 - Boylan

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment.

Jason Teal, OGC, reviewed the purpose of this bill to clarify council's intent regarding quasi-judicial matters with a tie vote of the members present. He differentiated between Council Rules and Roberts Rules in answer to a question from Council Member Clark-Murray. Mr. Teal explained the vote on 2023-0007-D that was challenged after it failed with a lack of majority with 9-9 vote. Mr.

Teal explained the settlement agreement.

Council Member Clark-Murray asked about a potential breach of the settlement agreement if this bill is not passed.

Council Member Amaro asked if this would be applicable to all legislative matters.

Council Member Johnson asked about the ramifications of having differing rules for tie votes in quasi judicial legislation compared to regular legislation, or from violating the good faith of the settlement agreement.

Steve Diebenow, on behalf of the applicant, spoke about the need to have legislation and/or a policy to break a tie vote.

Council Member Clark-Murray talked about the importance of following Roberts Rules of Order.

Council Vice President White asked about remedies with a tie vote. Mr. Teal explained the options: to reconsider, make a new motion, postponement, or re-refer.

Council Member Freeman expressed his support for this bill.

AMENDMENT

1. Correct first whereas clause to reflect introduction date of 1/10/23 for Ord. 2023-007-D

2. Correct scrivener's errors

- **Amends Council Rule 4.601 (Majority Action) to clarify that for quasi-judicial matters, a tie vote of all Council members present and voting shall not constitute a denial**
- **In the event of a tie vote on a quasi-judicial matter, the Council may move to reconsider, rerefer the item back to committee, or take any other action authorized under Council Rules**
- **This bill was introduced pursuant to the Southbank self storage development settlement agreement**

3. [2024-0175](#) ORD-MC re the Mayor's Reorg of the Executive Branch Pursuant to Ch 21 (Executive Branch, Generally), Pt 2 (Executive Reorganization), Ord Code; Recitals; Creating a New Ch 23 (Central Services Department), Ord Code; Repealing in Their Entirety Pt 6 (Procurement Division), Pt 7 (Information Technologies Division), Pt 8 (Fleet Management Division), & Pt 9 (Grants & Contract Compliance Division), Ch 24 (Finance & Administration Department), Ord Code; Renaming & Amend Ch 24 (Finance & Administration Department), Ord Code; Amend Sec 26.201 (Economic Development) & Sec 26.202 (Office of International Trade), Pt 2 (Functions & Activities), Ch 26 (Economic Development), Ord Code; Creating a New Sec 26.204 (Jacksonville Film & Television Office) & 26.205 (Office of Equal Business Opportunity - Business Compliance), Pt 2 (Functions & Activities), Ch 26 (Economic Development), Ord Code; Creating a New Ch 27 (Sports & Entertainment Department), Ord Code... (B.T. 24-071) (R.C. 24-085) (Hodges) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Peluso & Amaro)
2/27/24 CO Introduced: R, F
3/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/5/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/12/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/12/24

DEFER

This item was deferred at the request of the Council President.

Council Vice President White and Mary Staffopoulos, OGC, described the 2 proposed White amendments (to add language to retain PFPF pension benefits for Mayoral appointees and civil service protections they were entitled to prior to the appointment; and a department name change that was proposed to be Central Services to be instead the Office of Administrative Services).

Council Member Johnson asked questions about the movement of the Office of Sports and Entertainment to be under OED instead of Parks. He suggested moving the Office of Film and Television to be with Sports and Entertainment. Kelli O'Leary, Mayor's Office, explained the change. Ms. Staffopolous said it was part of Council President Salem's amendment to be discussed at the next committee meeting.

AMENDMENT

1. Update duties of Procurement Chief to reflect duties added through Ord. 2023-20-E and repeal Section 10 of Ord. 2023-20-E
 2. Update functions of Fleet Management Division to include language that was inadvertently struck
 3. Strike reference to Data Management and Analysis Officer within Sec. 23.501
 4. Update language within Sec. 23.501 to reflect coordination with the Emergency Preparedness Division instead of Emergency Command Operations
 5. Clarify the report on City funding paid to JSEBs will be provided to City Council annually
 6. Add language to bill striking current Code Sec. 28.103(b) which is duplicative of language being added in Sec. 27.103(c)
 7. Pg. 25, line 8: strike “Commission” and insert “Office”
 8. Place revised Ordinance Code sections On File to include the current Code language for the Grants and Contract Compliance Division
 9. Correct scrivener’s errors
4. [2024-0184](#) RESO Appt Dr. William Paul Thompson, a Duval County Resident, as a Member of the Jax-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs, as the Council Dist 1 Rep, Filling a Seat Formerly Held by Anne Waldron, Pursuant to Ch 82, Ord Code, for a Partial Term Exp 6/30/24, Followed by a 1st Full Term Exp 6/30/26 (Hampsey) (Introduced by CM Amaro)
2/27/24 CO Introduced: R
3/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/12/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/15/24 R Withdraw 4-0

WITHDRAW

Aye: 4 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci and Miller

Excused: 3 - White, Johnson and Boylan

5. [2024-0188](#) RESO Conf the Mayor’s Appt of Gloria Einstein, a Duval County Resident, to the Duval County Election Advisory Panel, Replacing Ingrid K. Montgomery-Fluellen, Pursuant to Sec 59.103 (Membership; Terms; Composition), Ch 59 (Duval County Election Advisory Panel), Ord Code, for a Partial Term Ending 4/16/25, Followed by a 1st Full Term to Expire on 4/16/28 (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
2/27/24 CO Introduced: R
3/4/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/12/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer

DEFER

6. [2024-0204](#) ORD Closing & Abandoning &/or Disclaiming a Portion of an Opened & Improved Alley, Estab in the Plat of Hendricks Subdivision of Homestead Tract South Jax, as Recorded, Located in Council Dist 5, at the Req of Karen Hirshberg & G.I.S. Holdings, Inc., Subject to Reservation Unto the City of an All Utilities, Facilities & Access Easement Over the Closure Area; Prov for Appvl Subject to Conditions; Waiving C.R. 3.107 (Reintroduction of Bills), Council Rules, as to the Requirement That an Ord That Failed Passage Not Be Reintroduced for 12 Months (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
 3/12/24 CO Introduced: R, TEU, LUZ
 3/18/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/19/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/19/24 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/26/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/15/24 R Amend/Approve 7-0
 4/16/24 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/16/24 LUZ Amend/Approve 7-0
 TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 336.10, F.S. - 4/2/24, 4/16/24
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/26/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Mary Staffopoulos, OGC, explained the legislation.

Council Member Miller asked about the necessity to close the alley.

Steve Diebenow, on behalf of the applicant, explained that the closure of the portion of dead-end alley way is needed for the development.

Council Member Boylan offered a floor amendment to stipulate that approval of the alley closure is contingent upon Council approval of rezoning bill 2024-152. The amendment was approved unanimously.

Council Member J. Carlucci said that his vote on this item is not indicative of how he will vote on the overall project.

AMENDMENT

1. Add language that approval of alley closure is contingent upon Council approval of rezoning bill 2024-152

- Closure requested to allow for a mixed-use development on the adjacent parcel
- Waives Council Rule 3.107 to allow for reintroduction of legislation within twelve months of denial
- Waiver requested because the alley closure is associated with a modified rezoning application being considered by the Council as a result of a settlement agreement related to the proposed Southbank self storage development

7. [2024-0211](#) ORD Conf the Mayor's Appt of Palecia Crawford-Maddox, a Duval County Resident, Replacing Leola Williams, as a Citizen Member That Lives Within 1 Mile of the CRA Boundary Representing the General Public, Pursuant to Sec 53.202 (Membership; Appointment & Removal; Terms of Office), Pt 2 (KingSoutel Crossing CRA Advisory Board), Ch 53 (CRA Advisory Boards), Ord Code, for a 1st Full Term to Exp on 12/31/25; Waiving Sec 53.202 (Membership; Appointment & Removal; Terms of Office), Pt 2 (KingSoutel Crossing CRA Advisory Board), Ch 53 (CRA Advisory Boards) to Allow Appt of a Citizen Who Does Not Live Within 1 Mile of the CRA Boundary (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
 3/12/24 CO Introduced: R
 3/18/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/26/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/26/24

DEFER**APPOINTMENT****AMENDMENT****Correct term from first full to partial**

- **Waives the requirement in Code Sec. 53.202 (Membership; appointment and removal; terms of office) that the appointee lives within one mile of the CRA boundary**

8. [2024-0246](#) ORD-MC Estab the Kings Creek I Community Dev District (Kings Creek I CDD), Pursuant to Sec 190.005, F.S., & Ch 92, Ord Code, Including the Grant of Special Powers; Naming the District; Describing the External Boundaries of the District; Naming the Initial District Board of Supervisors; Amend Sec 92.22 (Existing Community Development Districts), Ch 92 (Uniform Development Districts), Ord Code to Include the Kings Creek I CDD; Prov for Conflict & Severability (Teal) (Introduced by the TEU Committee Pursuant to Sec 92.09, Ord Code)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: R, TEU
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/2/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 & Sec 190.005, F.S. & Sec 92.11 Ord Code- 5/14/24

DEFER

Scrivener's

Pg. 1, line 14: insert "COMMUNITY" after "UNIFORM"

• The proposed CDD is approximately 1,198.18 acres and is anticipated to consist of 929 residential units located north of Interstate 295, west along Lem Turner Road

- 9. [2024-0251](#) ORD Etab the FY 24-25 Allocation of Funding for the Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants Categories in Accordance With Ch 84 (Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants), Ord Code (Brown) (Req of the Opioid & Substance Use Disorder Grants Committee)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: R, F
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/2/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/9/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/15/24 R Amend/Approve 7-0
 4/16/24 F Amend/Approve 5-0-2 (Gaffney Jr., Carrico)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/9/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Correct title of Part 3, Ch. 84 to "Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grant Awards Procedures"
- 2. Pg. 2, line 7: insert "Support" after "Recovery"

• Proposed categories and percentage funding for FY 24/25 Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants are:

- Prevention - 34%
- Treatment - 33%
- Recovery Support - 33%

10. [2024-0252](#) ORD Approp \$100,000 From the Council President's Designated Contingency to the Mental Health Offender Prog (MHOP) to Pay for Contractual Svcs by I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc. for the Continued Operation of a Jail Diversion Prog for Mentally Ill Offenders through the MHOP; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a 6th Amendment to the Svcs Contract btwn the City & Sulzbacher for the Continued Provision of Svcs for the MHOP; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With Sulzbacher; Prov for Contract Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsors CMs White, Miller, Clark-Murray & Peluso)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 4/1/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/2/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/9/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/15/24 NCSPHS Approve 8-0
 4/15/24 R Approve 6-1 (White)
 4/16/24 F Approve 8-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/9/24

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Nay: 1 - White

- **The additional funding will allow the Sulzbacher Center to use the services of an experienced consultant**
- **Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) to authorize an amendment to the contract with I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless to allow for continued provision of services for the Mental Health Offender Program**

11. [2024-0253](#) ORD Approp \$200,000 from the Council President’s Designated Contingency to the General Fund Operating Contractual Svcs Acct Within the Planning & Development Dept to Procure the Professional Svcs of Community Planning Collaborative LLC, to Conduct a Community Engagement & Visioning Study to Develop a Roadmap for Revitalization & Development in Durkeeville; Prov for Carryover of Funds to 4/30/25; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.107(G) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With Community Planning Collaborative LLC; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a Contract With Community Planning Collaborative LLC, for the Provision of Professional Svcs to Complete the Study; Prov for Oversight by the Planning & Development Dept; Req 1-Cycle Emergency Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CMs Peluso & Salem) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Carlucci, Johnson, Pittman, Freeman & Gaffney, Jr.)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 4/1/24 NCSPHS Emergency/Approve 6-2 (Diamond, Gay)
 4/1/24 R Emergency/Approve 7-0
 4/2/24 F Emergency/Approve 7-0
 4/9/24 CO PH CP Rerefer to NCSPHS, R, F
 4/15/24 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-1 (Carlucci)
 4/15/24 R Amend/Approve 5-1 (Freeman)
 4/16/24 F Amend/Approve 7-1 (Carrico)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/9/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Nay: 1 - Freeman

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the NCSPHS amendment.

There was a lengthy discussion on this bill. Council Member Johnson spoke about the unique needs of the Durkeeville community.

Council Member Peluso spoke in opposition to the NCSPHS amendment that added a requirement for an RFP. He reiterated the urgent needs of the neighborhood, and spoke about Ennis Davis' expertise and how he is trusted by the Durkeeville residents.

Council Member Miller talked about other areas of the city that need support also. He endorsed using the RFP process.

Council Member Johnson talked about poverty, vacancy and crime statistics in Durkeeville.

Council Member Freeman spoke about the separation of powers and the duties of the legislative body. He said neighborhood needs throughout the city should be evaluated holistically. He listed other neighborhoods and zip codes who could benefit from focused services, like Woodland Acres and Lackawanna. He asked if someone from JHA was present to speak about federal funding, but there was not.

Ennis Davis, Community Planning Collaborative LLC., said the scope of work for this project was written with input from the Durkeeville community. He said environmental factors of poverty vary by neighborhood.

Council Member J. Carlucci said that if other council members wish to implement similar studies in areas of their districts, they should file legislation to do so.

Council Member Matt Carlucci talked about creating a special committee to assess all of the vulnerable neighborhoods in the city. He talked about the inconsistencies with council's approval of sole source contracts without RFPs, and the poor optics of not following through on this Durkeeville project.

The NCSPHS amendment was approved with a 6-1 hand vote, with Council Member Johnson opposed. Council Member Boylan explained why he voted in support of the amendment to represent the will of the NCSPHS Committee.

Council Member Pelsuo talked about the urgent needs in Durkeeville and the importance of connecting with residents to get their buy in on what actions to take.

Council Member Johnson offered a floor amendment to remove the requirement for an RFP.

Council Member Carlucci talked about supporting district council members' initiatives.

Council Vice President White said that he will never vote for a sole source contract again after this bill.

Council Member Miller advocated for civility among council members, and he spoke to the unique qualifications of Mr. Davis.

The Johnson floor amendment to remove the RFP requirement was approved with a 6-1 hand vote with Council Member Freeman opposed.

This item was tabled at 3:53 pm to permit time for a representative from JHA to arrive.

This item was taken back up at 4:36 pm. Ms. Staffopoulos described the amendment which only strikes the emergency language as determined earlier. Council Member Boylan said he hoped the Housing Authority would be at Finance tomorrow to answer questions.

Council Member Freeman asked to be added as a co-sponsor but said he would maintain his opposition to the bill as amended today. He will meet with Housing Authority staff after the meeting and will likely change his vote to positive next Tuesday night, depending on what he learns.

AMENDMENT**1. Remove emergency language**

- **The contractor will assist the City, the Jacksonville Housing Authority, and the Neighborhood Alliance Development Corporation to develop the Miracle on Myrtle study**

12. [2024-0257](#) ORD-MC Repealing Ch 67 (Duval County Research Development Authority), Ord Code; Recitals; Auth the Execution of Required Docs; Prov for Transfer of Records (Hodges) (Co-Introduced at Req of the Duval County Research Development Authority & CM Lahnen) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/9/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/15/24 R Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/9/24

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson and Miller

Excused: 1 - Boylan

Council Member Lahnen provided some background on the bill.

Earle Traynham, UNF, spoke about the history of the Duval County Research Development Authority and how it is no longer needed due to the fact that the land it managed for the benefit of the university after it was originally donated by the Skinners was given to the UNF Foundation in 2021.

Scrivener's

- Pg. 1, lines 7 and 14 and pg. 2, lines 11, 17, 19, and 23: insert "and" after "Research"**
- Pg. 1, line 25: strike comma and insert semicolon**

13. [2024-0259](#) RESO Supporting the Efforts of the National Letter Carriers Association to Lobby for Federal Legislation to Increase Protections for the Safety of USPS Employees; Directing the Div of Legislative Svcs to Forward Copies of the Adopted Resolution to the Members of the NE FL Congressional Delegation (Clements) (Introduced by CM Johnson) (Co-Sponsors CMs Freeman, Lahnen, White, Miller, Clark-Murray & Peluso)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/15/24 R Approve 7-0

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

14. [2024-0261](#) RESO Declaring Jacksonville to Be a Purple Heart City (Clements) (Introduced by CMs Lahnen, Gaffney, Jr., Salem, Arias, Diamond, White, Gay, Carlucci, Howland, Peluso, Amaro, Johnson, Pittman, Miller, & Freeman)
3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/15/24 R Approve 6-0

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson and Miller

Excused: 1 - Boylan

15. [2024-0265](#) RESO Conf the Reappt of Terry R. Wood, as a Member of the Jax Police & Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees, for a 2nd 4-Yr Term, Pursuant to the Applicable Provisions of Chapters 175.061 & 185.05, F.S., & Article 22, Jax Charter (Hodges) (Req of PFPF Board of Trustees) (Co-Sponsors CMs White, Howland, Miller & Johnson)
3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/15/24 R Approve 4-0

APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci and Miller

Excused: 3 - White, Johnson and Boylan

REAPPOINTMENT

Has attended 44 of 45 or 98% of meetings during first full term of 2/25/20 – 2/25/24

16. [2024-0266](#) RESO Conf the Sheriff's Appt of Jennifer G. Short, as Director of Police Svcs, in the Office of the Sheriff, Pursuant to Sec 37.106 (Department of Police Services), Pt 1 (Organization), Ch 37 (Office of the Sheriff), Ord Code; Prov a Retroactive Appt & Confirmation (Wilson) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsors CMs White, Howland, Miller & Freeman)
3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/15/24 R Approve 4-0

APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci and Miller

Excused: 3 - White, Johnson and Boylan

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

APPOINTMENT

Scrivener's

1. Pg. 1, line 19: correct spelling of Sheriff

2. Pg. 1, line 20: correct formatting

17. [2024-0267](#) RESO Conf the Sheriff's Appt of Jonathan S. Barrier, as Chief of Patrol Support Div, in the Office of the Sheriff, Pursuant to Sec 37.105(C)(3) (Department of Patrol & Enforcement), Pt 1 (Organization), Ch 37 (Office of the Sheriff), Ord Code; Prov a Retroactive Appt & Confirmation (Wilson) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsors CMs White, Howland, Miller, Clark-Murray & Freeman)
3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/15/24 R Approve 4-0

APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci and Miller

Excused: 3 - White, Johnson and Boylan

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

APPOINTMENT

18. [2024-0268](#) RESO Conf the Mayor's Appt of Paul G. Sifton, a Duval County Resident, to the Downtown Dev Review Brd, as a Downtown Property Owner or Business Rep, Replacing Gary Monahan, Pursuant to Sec 656.361.9 (Downtown Development Review Board), Subpt H (Downtown Overlay Zone & Downtown District Use & Form Regulations), Pt 3 (Schedule of District Regulations), Ch 656 (Zoning Code), Ord Code, for a Partial Term to Exp on 6/30/24, Followed by a 1st Full Term to Exp on 6/30/26 (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/15/24 R Withdraw 4-0

WITHDRAW

Aye: 4 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci and Miller

Excused: 3 - White, Johnson and Boylan

19. [2024-0269](#) RESO Conf the Mayor's Appt of Donald Oulton, a Duval County Resident, to the Jax-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs, Replacing Dr. Geraldine Mackoul Ferris, Pursuant to Sec 82.101 (Jacksonville-Duval Council on Elder Affairs Established), Ch 82 (Jacksonville-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs), Ord Code, for a 1st Full Term to Exp on 6/30/25 (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/15/24 R Approve 5-0

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson and Miller

Excused: 2 - White and Boylan

APPOINTMENT

20. [2024-0270](#) RESO Conf the Mayor's Appt of Lauren Rushing, a Duval County Resident, Replacing Montasser M. "Monty" Selim, as a Member of the Context Sensitive Streets Standards Committee, as an Urban Planner, Pursuant to Sec 32.702 (Context Sensitive Streets Standards Committee), Pt 7 (Context Sensitive Streets Standards Committee), Ch 32 (Public Works Department), Ord Code, for a Partial Term to Exp on 7/31/25, Followed by a 1st Full Term to Exp on 7/31/29 (Wilson) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Peluso)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer

DEFER

21. [2024-0271](#) RESO Conf the Mayor's Appt of Warren Smith, a Duval County Resident, as a Union Member Rep to the Civil Svc Brd, Replacing James P. Branch, Jr., Pursuant to Sec 17.02 (Civil Service Board), Article 17 (Civil Service), Jacksonville Charter, for a 1st Full Term to Exp on 6/30/26 (Wilson) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Johnson)
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: R
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/15/24 R Approve 6-0

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson and Miller

Excused: 1 - Boylan

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

APPOINTMENT

22. [2024-0284](#) ORD-MC re the COJ Environmental Protection Board; Amend Secs 73.101 (Created; Terms of Office; Appointment & Removal) & 73.102 (Powers & Duties), Ch 73 (Environmental Protection Board), Ord Code, to Amend Certain Board Member Qualifications & Board Duties; Prov for Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Johnson)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, TEU
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/16/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/23/24

READ 2ND & REREFER

23. [2024-0285](#) ORD Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, to Execute: (1) an Amended & Restated Redev Agrmt btwn the City & the Duval County Fair Association, Inc. (DCFA); (2) an Amended & Restated Ground Lease Agrmt btwn the City & DCFA for the Lease of 82.37± Acres of City-Owned Land Located Generally at 13611 Normandy Blvd., Adjacent to the Equestrian Center, With an Initial Term of 30 Yrs With 2, 10-Yr Renewal Options With Nominal Rent; & (3) Related Agrmts as Described in the Amended Redev Agrmt, for the Construction by DCFA of an 80,000 sq ft Exposition Hall & Related Improvements; Auth a \$1,500,000 City Dev Loan to the Developer for a 20 Yr Term With 2% Interest, to Be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Auth a Completion Grant in the Amount of \$1,500,000 Upon Substantial Completion of the Proj, to Be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Prov for City Oversight of the Proj by OED; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Above Agrmts & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs; Waiver of That Portion of the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2022-726-E, as Amended, to Auth the Loan & Completion Grant (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
4/15/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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24. [2024-0286](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Public Investment Policy of the OED to Add the Following Small Business Capital Access Progs (1) Small Business Micro-grant Funding Initiative, (2) Small Business Low-interest Loan Funding, (3) Veterans Entrepreneurship Funding, & (4) JSEB Funding, & the Following Jax Film & Television Progs (1) Jax Qualified Film & TV Production Incentive Prog, (2) Jax Fostering Filmmakers Grant Prog, & (3) Jax Commercial Production Prog, All of Which Are Economic Incentives Funded by the City; Replacing Former Public Investment Policy as Appvd by Ord 2016-382-E & Subsequently Amended by Ord 2018-370-E, Ord 2019-243-E, Ord 2022-372-E, & Ord 2022-726-E (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Lahnen)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, F
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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25. [2024-0287](#) ORD Approp \$227,891.50 From the Gen Fund - GSD Fund Bal to the Election Security Enhancement Grant - Specialized Equipment Acct to Fund SOE Bldg & Security Enhancements; Prov for Funds Carryover to Subsequent FYs; Prov Oversight by the SOE (B.T. 24-085) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, F
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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READ 2ND & REREFER

26. [2024-0294](#) ORD Approp \$61,582.35 from the General Fund Operating Other Professional Svcs Acct Within the Equal Business Opportunity Office to Provide Funding for Salaries & Benefits for 2 New FTE Positions Within the Equal Business Opportunity Office of the Finance & Admin Dept Through 9/30/24 & to Provide Funding for Pay Increases for 2 Current Employees; Apv & Auth an Increase to the Employee Cap Within the Equal Business Opportunity Office of the Finance & Admin Dept from 6 Positions to 8 Positions to Allow for 1 New Administrative Aide & 1 New Business Compliance Analyst (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by the JSEB Special Committee (CMs Arias, Amaro & Gay)) (Co-Sponsor CM Miller)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, F
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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READ 2ND & REREFER

27. [2024-0295](#) ORD Appropriating \$10,000 from a Designated Contingency Acct to the Misc Grants & Aids Acct to Provide Funding to Suited for Success Jacksonville, Inc., for the Operation Success Prog Described Herein; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.107(G) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With Suited for Success Jacksonville, Inc.; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With Suited for Success Jacksonville, Inc.; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City an Agrmt btwn the City & Suited for Success Jacksonville, Inc. for the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contracts Compliance Div of the Finance & Admin Dept (Staffopoulos)
(Introduced by CM Johnson)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, F
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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28. [2024-0297](#) ORD Approp \$300,000 from the Safety & Crime Reduction Contingency Acct to a Grants & Aids Line Item for Grants to Be Made to Orgs Recommended by the Safety & Crime Reduction Comm; Apv & Auth the Mayor & the Corp Sec to Execute Grant Agrmts With Various Entities; Invoking the Exemption to Sec 126.107(g), Ord Code; Waiving Sec 118.107, Ord Code; Waiving Sec 118.201(f) (7), Ord Code; Prov for Oversight; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage (Wilson) (Introduced by CM Johnson) (Co-Sponsors CMs Lahnen, Freeman, Boylan & Carlucci)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
4/15/24 NCSPHS Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0
4/15/24 R Emergency/Amend/Approve 6-0
4/16/24 F Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0
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EMERGENCY/AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Excused: 1 - White

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment and the emergency.

Council Member Boylan discussed the pay half now, pay half later amendment approved in NCSPHS.

Dr. Nicoa Garrett described the target organizations as having very small budgets and no real ability to apply for bigger grants. Her staff will mirror the Public Service Grant application process and provide training for the applicants. The half now/half later methodology worked well last year. Any improper expenditures will be required to be repaid within 15 days and failure to do that will result in the agency being put on the non-compliance list and made ineligible to apply for other City funding.

Council Member Miller asked if the commission included representatives from JSO and State Attorney and what role they play. Dr. Garrett said they are involved as liaisons from their organizations and are good partners.

Council Member Miller asked about this history of these micro-grants. Dr. Garrett said this is the 2nd year of the grants, with more funding this time. Council Member Johnson said he is the Council liaison to the Safety and Crime Reduction Commission and said it has a wide-ranging membership and they suggested the grants be made in advance and not all reimbursements because of the hardship that would impose.

Council Member Johnson said the Commission will sunset in 2025. Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, said all of the grant recipients last year ended up on the non-compliance list and a substantial number of them have since gotten off the list. Council Member Johnson said their non-compliance was due to a late change in City reporting requirements that was not their fault.

NCSPHS AMENDMENT

- 1. Include a waiver of Section 118.301(a)(3)(iv) to allow for grant funds to be expensed for costs of amusements, social activities and incidental costs relating thereto, such as meals, beverages, lodgings, rentals, transportation and gratuities up to a maximum of \$2,000**
- 2. Correct scrivener's errors**

- Appropriates \$300,000 to be distributed to 35 specifically identified non-profit organizations that have met the selection process requirements and were selected for funding by the Safety and Crime Reduction Commission**
- Waives Sec. 118.107 to allow for a direct contract with the 35 specifically listed non-profit organizations that were not selected through a competitive award process in accordance with Chapters 126 or 118**
- Waives Sec. 118.201(f)(7) to allow for advance of 100% of the award amount to grantees**
- A one cycle emergency has been requested in order to execute contracts with grant recipients and have services in place by the start of summer**

CONCERN

Advancing the entire amount to each entity puts City funds at an enhanced risk and limits the City's ability to monitor the use of grant funds during the term of the agreement. If the grantee does not comply with the terms of the agreement, the City would have to claw back funding as opposed to withholding subsequent payments.

29. [2024-0298](#) ORD Approp \$100,000 from the Council President’s Designated Contingency to the Council Staff Svcs Other Professional Svcs Acct to Procure the Professional Svcs of Yellow Dog Media, LLC, d/b/a Wander Media Company, to Rebrand & Reconfigure the City’s Public Access Channel (Channel 99) & to Develop a Companion Digital Streaming Channel for Various Streaming Devices & Channels; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.107(g) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract With Yellow Dog Media, LLC, d/b/a Wander Media Company; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a Contract With Wander Media, for the Provision of Professional Svcs Related to Channel 99 & a Companion Digital Channel on Various Streaming Devices & Channels; Prov for Oversight by the Council Director (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsors CMs Johnson, White & Amaro)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, F
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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30. [2024-0299](#) RESO Declaring May 19-25, 2024, as National Travel & Tourism Week (NTTW) in Jacksonville With the 41st Anniversary of NTTW Demonstrating How Integral Travel is to Every Industry (Clements) (Introduced by CMs Salem, Freeman, Pittman, Carrico, White, Miller, Amaro, Gaffney, Jr. & Johnson)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R
4/15/24 R Approve 6-0

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Excused: 1 - White

31. [2024-0300](#) RESO Designating April 28, 2024, as “Workers’ Memorial Day” in Jacksonville in Recognition of Workers Injured or Killed in the Workplace (Clements) (Introduced by CM Howland) (Co-Sponsors CMs Salem, Lahnen, Miller, Amaro, Peluso & Johnson)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R
4/15/24 R Approve 6-0

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Excused: 1 - White

Scrivener’s

Pg. 2, line 8: strike “Saturday” and insert “Sunday”

32. [2024-0301](#) RESO Honoring & Commemorating the Life & Civic Contributions of Former Assistant Council Auditor Richard “Rick” Coram (Clements) (Introduced by CM Carlucci) (Co-Sponsors CMs Salem & Amaro)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R
4/15/24 R Approve 6-0

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Excused: 1 - White

33. [2024-0302](#) RESO Conf the Appt of Tameka Gaines Holly, a Resident & Qualified Elector of the City of Jax, as a JEA Rep, to the Civil Svc Brd, Replacing Geraldine (Lockett) Jackson, Pursuant to Sec 17.02 (Civil Service Board), Article 17 (Civil Service), Jax Charter, for a 1st Full Term to Exp on 6/30/26 (Wilson) (Req of JEA) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray & Johnson)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

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34. [2024-0303](#) RESO Recognizing May as Historic Preservation Month (Hampsey) (Introduced by CMs Peluso, Amaro, Howland, Pittman, Johnson & Carlucci) (Co-Sponsors CMs Salem & Miller)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R
4/15/24 R Approve 6-0

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Excused: 1 - White

35. [2024-0304](#) RESO Conf the Mayor’s Appt of Tamara Henderson, a Duval County Resident & a For-Profit Provider of Affordable Housing, as a Member of the Jax Housing & Comm Dev Commission, Replacing Curtis L. Hart, Pursuant to Sec 34.203 (Jacksonville Housing & Community Development Commission; Commission Members), Pt 2 (Housing & Community Development Division), Ch 34 (Neighborhoods Department), Ord Code, for a Partial Term to Exp on 11/30/24, Followed by a 1st Full Term to Exp on 11/30/28 (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

READ 2ND & REREFER

36. [2024-0305](#) RESO Recognizing the Week of April 28 - May 4, 2024, as National Preservation Week (Clements) (Introduced by CM Johnson) (Co-Sponsors CMs Salem, Amaro & Peluso)
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R
4/15/24 R Approve 6-0

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Freeman, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

Excused: 1 - White

Public Comment: None

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Monday, May 6, 2024.

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

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