

# City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



## Meeting Minutes

**Monday, May 6, 2024**

**2:00 PM**

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

### **Rules Committee**

*Terrance Freeman, Chair*

*Randy White, Vice Chair*

*Ken Amaro*

*Michael Boylan*

*Joe Carlucci - Excused Early Departure 4:20 PM*

*Rahman Johnson*

*Chris Miller*

*Legislative Assistant: Steven Libby*

*Council Auditor's Office: Phillip Peterson, Asst. Council Auditor*

*Council Research: Colleen Hampsey*

*Office of General Counsel: Mary Staffopoulos, Deputy*

*Administration: Bill Delaney*

Meeting Convened: 2:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 4:30 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:**

CP Salem - 2024-175 & 2024-298

**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. [2024-0175](#) 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  
5/6/24 R Substitute/Approve 7-0  
5/7/24 F Substitute/Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/12/24

**SUBSTITUTE/APPROVE**

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



Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment.

Council Member Johnson asked about item 5 in the amendment, "Clarify the report on City funding paid to JSEBs will be provided to City Council annually".

Mr. Peterson reviewed the purpose for that item, which is to clarify to whom, when and how often the reporting should occur.

Council President Salem suggested reporting to the Finance Committee.

Bill Delaney, Mayor's Office, suggested the reporting occur in the 4th quarter.

Council Member Boylan made a motion to amend item 5 in the amendment to require JSEB funding reporting to City Council when sitting as the CRA Board, annually in the 3rd quarter.

Motion hand vote failed 2-5 with Council Members Boylan and Amaro in the affirmative.

Council Vice President White made a motion for a floor amendment to amend item 5 in the amendment to require JSEB funding reporting to the Finance Committee in the 4th quarter (November/December). Council Member Freeman asked about receiving the data prior to the budget process, and about a rubric or expectations for the report.

Gregory Grant, JSEB Administrator, said he will forward this year's data to the council members.

Anna Brosche, CFO, said JSEB reporting usually occurs at the end of the fiscal year and is posted on the JSEB webpage. Council Member Johnson asked about the timing of the reporting, the rubric, and dissemination of the data to council directly instead of just on the webpage.

Council Vice President White made a motion to amend his amendment to include a snapshot report at 6 months. Approved unanimously.

Council Member Johnson talked about including the rubric to the amendment. It was decided that the rubric will be discussed by the JSEB Special Committee at their next meeting, in collaboration with Mr. Grant and Mr. Peterson.

Hand vote on the White amendment as amended (to amend item 5 in the amendment to require JSEB funding reporting to the Finance Committee in the 4th quarter (November/December), with a snapshot report at 6 months). Approved unanimously.

Hand vote on the full Auditor's amendment with the changes approved for item 5 made through the amended White amendment. Approved unanimously.

Council President Salem expressed support for the portions of the bill about establishing the Office of Central Services and creating a Technology Services Department. He spoke about the new sports foundation to market the city for sport events, in connection with the TDC and Visit Jacksonville.

Council President Salem made a motion for a floor amendment about moving Sports and Entertainment to be a division under OED, instead of being under Parks or elevating it to its own department. Council Member Johnson asked about the reasoning for the move.

Kelli O'Leary, Mayor's Office, talked about streamlining approvals and efficiencies.

Alex Alston, Sports and Entertainment, spoke about being in a position to negotiate deals with authority.

Ms. O'Leary explained the salary increases and offsets through this bill.

Ed Randolph, OED, talked about the functions and capacity of his office. He explained the relationship between OED and JaxUSA as a marketing arm for recruiting businesses to Jacksonville.

There was discussion about the significance of Sports and Entertainment to the city's economy, the right place and structure for Sports and Entertainment within the City Administration, and the proposed salary increase for Mr. Alston.

Council Vice President White suggested that Mr. Alston report directly to the Mayor for 6 months and then be reassessed before deciding if Sports and Entertainment should be its own department.

Council Member Boylan talked about the approval role of council, and supporting the autonomy of the Administration to organize at they wish.

Council Member Amaro said the shift Sports and Entertainment to be under OED is lateral move, and that Sports and Entertainment should be a department in order to have a more transformational impact.

Council Member J. Carlucci shared his support for Council Vice President White's suggestion.

Mary Staffopoulos, OGC, explained the Administration's hierarchy and establishment of departments in the Ordinance Code.

Council Member Johnson talked about the importance of entertainment events apart from sports, and the impact on quality of life.

Council Member Freeman spoke in support of Mr. Alston's qualifications and work ethic.

There was a discussion of compromising to establish Sports and Entertainment as an Office, led by a single officer with no chiefs. Consensus to withdraw the Salem floor amendment.

Council President Salem motion for floor amendment to establish Sports and Entertainment as an Office, led by a single chief officer. Approved unanimously by hand vote.

Council Vice President White made a motion to move the White floor amendment. Mary Staffopoulos, OGC, explained White amendment about the Central Services Department to be instead called the Office of Administrative Services to avoid confusion with the title, and retaining police and fire pension or civil service benefits for individuals appointed by the Administration. Approved unanimously by voice vote. All of the amendments were approved to be rolled together as the Rules substitute.

#### **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**

3. [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  
5/6/24 R Approve 7-0

**APPROVE**

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

**APPOINTMENT**

4. [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  
5/6/24 R Amend/Approve 7-0  
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

**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.**

Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment.

5. [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  
 5/6/24 R Approve 7-0  
 5/7/24 TEU Approve 7-0  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 & Sec 190.005, F.S. & Sec 92.11 Ord Code- 5/14/24

**APPROVE**

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

- **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**

6. [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-Sponsors CMs Peluso & Johnson)  
 3/26/24 CO Introduced: R  
 4/1/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/9/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 5/6/24 R Approve 7-0

**APPROVE**

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

**APPOINTMENT****Scrivener's**

**Pg. 1, line 24: strike "Contexts" and insert "Context"**



7.     [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  
4/23/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/6/24 R Approve 7-0  
5/7/24 TEU Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/23/24

**APPROVE**

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

- **Amends Ch. 73 (Environmental Protection Board) to:**
  - 1) **Clarify the qualifications of the two citizen board members and**
  - 2) **Include sustainability and resilience within areas of study**

8. [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  
 4/23/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 5/6/24 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
 5/6/24 R Amend/Approve 7-0  
 5/7/24 F Amend/Approve 6-0  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/23/24

**AMEND/APPROVE**

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



**NCSPHS AMENDMENT**

- 1. Pg. 6, line 21: correct capital investment amount to \$18 million**
- 2. Clarify Development Loan repayments will begin on the first day of the month following the final draw disbursement**
- 3. Reduce term of \$1.5 million City Development Loan to 10 years**
- 4. Correct scrivener's errors**
- 5. Place revised Amended and Restated Redevelopment Agreement on file to:**
  - a. Revise the deadline for permit approvals to June 1, 2024**
  - b. Clarify that all necessary consents and approvals must be obtained prior to entering into the Ground Lease**
  - c. Include Exhibit D (Amended and Restated Ground Lease) which was not included in the filed document**
  - d. Revise Exhibit H (Draft draw schedule and amortization schedule for loan) to correct the amortization schedule**
  - e. Correct scrivener's errors**

**AUDITOR COMMENTS/CONCERNS**

- 1. There are no specifically stated penalties in the Redevelopment Agreement, besides general default, to address a failure by DCFA to meet the development improvements, performance schedule, or expected capital investment, with the exception of a minimum required expenditure on Direct Costs to receive the Completion Grant.**
- 2. The City could have invested millions of dollars into the facility and DCFA could abandon the project during construction. The City's only recourse is to sue for specific performance.**
- 3. The City is required to receive approval from the United States Secretary of the Interior for any leases on the subject property. The City has spent \$5.7 million on improvements related to the Fair relocation but has not yet received final approval of the lease with DCFA.**

**AUDITOR RECOMMENDED AMENDMENTS**

- 1. We recommend that DCFA be required to provide an irrevocable letter of credit in an amount acceptable to the City for the demolition of the DCFA Improvements in the event the DCFA Improvements are not completed.**
- 2. We recommend that the City not spend additional dollars until final approval of the lease has been received from the United States Secretary of the Interior.**

**• Ordinance 2023-209-E originally approved a Redevelopment Agreement and Ground Lease with the Duval County Fair Association (DCFA) to:**

- Develop 82.37 acres of City-owned land located adjacent to the Equestrian Center to serve as the new site of the Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair and DCFA corporate offices**
- Provide for construction of improvements by both DCFA (estimated at that time to be \$15 million) and the City (estimated at \$27.2 million and already appropriated in the CIP)**
- Complete construction by June 1, 2025**
- Authorize a Ground Lease with DCFA for a term of 40 years with three 10-year extension options for \$100/year with an option to lease an additional 60 acres adjacent to the DCFA Parcel**

• **Bill 2024-285 will approve an Amended and Restated Redevelopment Agreement with the DCFA to:**

- **Authorize a \$1.5 million Completion Grant to be paid upon substantial completion of the DCFA Improvements. The Completion Grant will be subject to a dollar-for-dollar reduction if the Direct Costs of the DCFA Improvements are less than \$17.5 million and will be terminated if the Direct Costs of the DCFA Improvements are less than \$16 million.**

- **Authorize a \$1.5 million City Development Loan to be disbursed on a pro-rata basis with all other funding sources for the Project. The Development Loan will be repaid through quarterly payments over 10 years at 2% interest with payments beginning on the first day of the month following the final draw disbursement**

• **Approves an Amended and Restated Ground Lease with DFCA to:**

- **Revise the initial term from 40 years to 30 years**

- **Revise the extension options from three 10-year periods to two 10-year periods**

• **The City incentives are subject to future Council appropriation**

9. [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-Sponsors CMs Lahnen & Johnson)  
4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, F  
4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/23/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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## DEFER

Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the amendments.

Council Member Freeman spoke about JSEB history, innovation, and required reporting on program metrics.

Ed Randolph, OED, indicated that the OED was agreeable to the amendments proposed by Mr. Peterson.

Mr. Peterson said that additional specificity was needed on several items to prevent possible legal challenges in the future, including: 1) the need for a definition of what constitutes a “high impact television show”, 2) the need for more clarity on the application of the county residency requirement; and 3) more clarity on participant net worth and tier information. The ordinance was deferred to a future meeting.

**AMENDMENT**

- 1. Include Ord. 2024-165-E within listing of previous amendments to the Public Investment Policy**
- 2. Clarify within the bill that the Business Investment Grant/Loan (BIG) program and Small Business Development Initiative (SBDI) program criteria are also being revised**
- 3. Include public purpose language for the additional programs being added to the Public Investment Policy**
- 4. Place revised Public Investment Policy on file to make the following changes:**
  - a. Revise the criteria for the Small Business Low-Interest Loan Program to include the tier structure and amounts established in Ord. 2023-807-E**
  - b. Clarify within the Veterans Entrepreneurship Funding that recipients must attend and complete a mandatory small business education course**

**AUDITOR RECOMMENDED AMENDMENTS**

- 1. Require grants to be provided on a reimbursement basis (Small Business Micro-Grant Funding Initiative, Veterans Entrepreneurship Funding, and Jacksonville Small & Emerging Business Funding – grant only)**
- 2. Add definition of High Impact Television Series within the Jacksonville Qualified Film & TV Production Incentive Program**
- 3. Clarify residency requirements for the four new small business capital access programs**
- 4. Define business net worth and employee caps for each of the tier classifications within the small business capital access programs**

**• Amends the City’s Public Investment Policy to:**

- Revise the criteria for the Business Investment Grant/Loan (BIG) program to increase the total funding from \$250,000 to \$325,000 and increase the maximum grant amount from \$100,000 to \$125,000**
  - Revise the criteria for the Small Business Development Initiative (SBDI) program to increase the total funding from \$250,000 to \$325,000 and increase the maximum grant amount from \$50,000 to \$65,000**
  - Create four new small business capital access programs:**
    - Small Business Micro-Grant Funding Initiative – grants from \$500 to \$1,000**
    - Small Business Low-Interest Loan Funding – loans from \$1,000 to \$10,000**
    - Veterans Entrepreneurship Funding (grants) – grant allocation of \$2,000 per veteran entrepreneur**
      - Jacksonville Small & Emerging Business Funding (grants and loans) – maximum allocation of \$2,500 per applicant**
  - Revise the criteria for the Jacksonville Qualified Film & TV Production Incentive Program to create qualifying tiers and increase the maximum grant amount from \$50,000 to \$400,000**
  - Create two new film and television programs**
    - Jacksonville Fostering Filmmakers Grant Program – award up to three \$10,000 grants annually**
    - Jacksonville Commercial Production Program – a 15% rebate, capped at \$150,000**
- The Office of Economic Development plans to procure a vendor to oversee the four new small business capital access programs**

10. [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) (Co-Sponsor CM Johnson)  
 4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, F  
 4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/23/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 5/6/24 R Amend/Approve 6-0  
 5/7/24 F Amend/Approve 6-0  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/23/24

#### AMEND/APPROVE

**Aye:** 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

**Excused:** 1 - Carlucci

Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment.

#### AMENDMENT

1. Correct account name
2. Attach revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to reflect appropriation within the General Fund
3. Correct scrivener's errors

- Appropriates \$227,891.50 from General Fund Operating Reserves to the Supervisor of Elections Office (SOE) for building and security enhancements
- The appropriation represents budget capacity within the Supervisor of Elections General Fund budget in FY 22/23 that fell to General Fund fund balance on September 30, 2023
- Budget capacity was created through the receipt of grant funding which was used to reimburse expenditures within the SOE General Fund budget

11. [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  
4/23/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/6/24 R Approve 6-0  
5/7/24 F Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/23/24

**APPROVE**

**Aye:** 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

**Excused:** 1 - Carlucci

- **Appropriates \$61,582.35 from professional services to salaries and benefits within the Equal Business Opportunity Office to 1) provide funding for two additional full-time positions and 2) provide salary increases of \$2,500 to two current employees**
- **Increases the employee cap within the Equal Business Opportunity Office from six to eight positions and deletes part time hours**
- **The impact to next year's budget will be approximately \$120,000**



12. [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  
4/23/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/6/24 R Amend/Approve 6-0  
5/7/24 F Amend/Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/23/24

#### AMEND/APPROVE

**Aye:** 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

**Excused:** 1 - Carlucci

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment, which was approved. Council Member Miller asked if this appropriation was an item still pending implementation from last year's budget approval process; Council Member Johnson confirmed that it was.

#### AMENDMENT

1. Pg. 3, line 31: correct term to October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024
2. Attached Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct term of appropriation

- Appropriates \$10,000 from a contingency established for the Jacksonville Urban League, Inc. housing counseling program to provide funding to Suited for Success Jacksonville, Inc.
- Funding will be used for the Operation Success pilot project and will provide an interview suit, resume, and on-the-job training to 50 clients
- Waives the requirement in Code Sec. 118.107 that City funds appropriated to nonprofit organizations shall be subject to a competitive evaluated award process to authorize a direct contract with Suited for Success Jacksonville, Inc.

13. [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 & Boylan)  
 4/9/24 CO Introduced: R, F  
 4/15/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/16/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/23/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 5/6/24 R Amend/Approve 8-0  
 5/7/24 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/23/24

#### **AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 8 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Carlucci, Johnson, Miller, Boylan and Salem

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment.

Council Member Miller asked why this is a direct contract without competitive solicitation.

Council President Salem explained the bill and the update/overhaul to Channel 99 and the enhanced method to communicate with the public.

Council Member Boylan asked to be added as a co-sponsor. He talked about the importance of a dynamic platform to convey the work of council.

Council Member Amaro talked about extending the reach of communication to more constituents.

Council Vice President White shared his support.

Council Member Johnson expressed his support and talked about the significance of storytelling.

Council Member Freeman asked about technical support.

Kate Strickland, CEO Wander Media, talked about the bill.

Council Member Freeman mentioned advertising revenue for the City.

Peggy Sidman, Council Secretary, spoke on behalf of the bill. Ms. Sidman talked about the scope of service to be included in the service contract, 4 segments with the cost first being \$40,000 and the remaining 3 portions \$20,000.

**AMENDMENT**

1. Include carryover of funding to FY 24/25
2. Attach revised Exhibit 2 (Scope of Services) to correct scrivener's error

• Appropriates \$100,000 from the Council President's designated contingency account to fund a direct contract with Wander Media Company to:

- 1) Rebrand and reconfigure the City's public access channel (channel 99)
  - 2) Develop a companion digital streaming channel
- The project will begin June 1, 2024 and be completed by May 31, 2025

14. [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  
4/23/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/6/24 R Approve 7-0

**APPROVE**

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

**APPOINTMENT**

15. [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  
4/23/24 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/6/24 R Approve 7-0

**APPROVE**

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

**APPOINTMENT**

16. [2024-0325](#) ORD Approp \$200,000.00 in Fund Balance from the Environmental Protection Fund to the UF Center for Coastal Solutions Through the UF Brd of Trustees to Conduct a Septic Tank Vulnerability Assessment Proj for Single-Family Residential Septic Systems in Duval County; Prov for Carryover to FY 24-25; Invoking the Exemption of Sec 126.107(g) (Exemptions), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Direct Contract With UF; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver That Certain Research Agrmt for the Septic Tank Vulnerability Assessment Proj btwn the City & UF; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process)...(B.T. 24-095) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, TEU  
5/6/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/7/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/7/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 5/14/24

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

17. [2024-0330](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Amendment to the Agrmt btwn the City & Michael Huyghue & Associates, LLC for Stadium Lease & Dev Consulting Svcs to Extend the Term of the Agrmt to Expire on 9/30/25; Prov for Carryover of Funds Approp by Ord 2023-386-E to 9/30/25; Prov for Continued Oversight by OGC (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: R, F  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/7/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 5/14/24

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

18. [2024-0332](#) ORD Approp \$114,945.97 from the Special Law Enforcement Trust Fund to Fund Various Crime Prevention & Law Enforcement Expenditures & Activities Including: (1) Transferring \$7,500.00 from the Fund to the Teen Driver Special Rev Fund in Accordance With Sec 111.365, Ord Code, to Fund the Teen Driver Challenge Prog; (2) Transferring \$7,500.00 from the Fund to the Police Explorers Trust Fund in Accordance With Sec 111.340, Ord Code, to Fund the JSO Police Explorer Post; (3) Transferring \$20,000.00 to Be Used for the Homeward Bound Prog; & (4) \$79,945.97 for Donations to Hubbard House, Inc. (\$9,945.97), North Florida Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America (\$10,000.00), Operation Save Our Sons, Inc. (\$15,000.00), M.A.D. D.A.D.S., Jax Chapter, Inc. (\$15,000.00), Big Brothers Big Sisters of NE FL, Inc. (\$5,000.00), & Downtown Vision Alliance, Inc. (\$25,000.00), in Accordance...Prov for Oversight by JSO (B.T. 24-092) (Dillard) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsor CM Johnson)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F  
5/6/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/7/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 5/14/24

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

19. [2024-0333](#) ORD Conf the Mayor's Reappt of Russell Jackson, a Duval County Resident, as a Citizen Member of the KingSoutel Crossing CRA Advisory Brd 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 2nd Full Term to Expire on 12/31/26; Waiving Sec 53.202 (Membership; Appointment & Removal; Terms of Office), Pt 2 (KingSoutel Crossing CRA Advisory Board), Ch 53 (CRA Advisory Boards) to Allow the Appt of a Citizen Who Does Not Presently Live Within 1 Mile of the CRA Boundary (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: R  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 5/14/24

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

20. [2024-0334](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 368.301 (Violations & Criminal Penalties), Pt 3 (Enforcement), Ch 368 (Noise Control), Ord Code, Sec 614.103 (Reserved), Ch 614 (Public Order & Safety), Ord Code, Sec 632.101 (Classes of Offenses), Ch 632 (Penalties), Ord Code, Sec 656.1309 (Unlawful Sign Messages), Pt 13 (Sign Regulations), Ch 656 (Zoning Code), Ord Code, & Sec 741.107 (Violations & Criminal Penalties), Pt 3 (Enforcement), Ch 741 (Zero Tolerance on Litter), Ord Code, to Enhance Civil & Criminal Penalties for Violations of City Codes When Such Violations Were Motivated by Hate; Prov for Severability; Prov for Codification Instructions (Teal) (Introduced by CMs Peluso, Carlucci, Gaffney, Jr., Pittman, Clark-Murray & Johnson)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, LUZ  
5/6/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
5/7/24 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 5/28/24

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

21. [2024-0335](#) RESO Recognizing the Month of May as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month in Jacksonville (Webb) (Introduced by CM Miller) (Co-Sponsor CM Freeman)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: R  
5/6/24 R Approve 6-0

**APPROVE**

**Aye:** 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

**Excused:** 1 - Carlucci

22. [2024-0337](#) RESO Encouraging & Requesting the Mayor to Conduct a County-Wide Assessment to Identify Opportunities for Capital Improvements, Studies or Needs Assessments, & Other Initiatives Aimed at Addressing Blight, Infrastructure Improvements, Revitalization, Rehab & Redev in Economically Distressed Communities & Neighborhoods Throughout the City, Including but Not Limited to, Woodland Acres, Mixon Town/Lackawanna & Magnolia Gardens, & to Provide for Appropriate Funding in the Proposed FY 24-25 Budget for the City to Pay for Capital Improvements, Studies or Needs Assessments, & Other Initiatives Identified Through the Assessment (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Freeman) (Co-Sponsors CMs Miller & Peluso)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: R  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

23. [2024-0338](#) RESO Recognizing & Commending the Jacksonville Public Library’s 2024 “Adventure Begins at Your Library” Summer Learning Program (Clements) (Introduced by CM Johnson)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: R  
5/6/24 R Approve 6-0

**APPROVE**

**Aye:** 6 - Freeman, White, Amaro, Johnson, Miller and Boylan

**Excused:** 1 - Carlucci

24. [2024-0339](#) RESO Conf the Greater Arlington & Beaches Citizen’s Planning Advisory Committee’s Appt of Alexander G. Hoffman, a Duval County Resident, as a Member of the TRUE Commission, Filling a Seat Formerly Held by John F. Roberts, Pursuant to Ch 57, Ord Code, for a 1st Full Term Exp 6/30/26 (Hampsey) (Req of the GAB CPAC)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: R  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

25. [2024-0340](#) RESO Conf the Reappt of Brian Chappell, as a Member of the Jax Police & Fire Pension Fund Financial Investment & Advisory Committee, Pursuant to Sec 121.503 (Financial Investment & Advisory Committee; Membership, Appointment & Terms), Pt 5 (Financial Investment & Advisory Committee), Ch 121 (Police & Firefighters Pension Plan), Ord Code, for a 2nd Term Exp on 3/1/27 (Dillard) (Req of the Jax Police & Fire Pension Fund Board of Trustees)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: R  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

26. [2024-0341](#) RESO Conf the Mayor’s Appt of Margarete Vest, P.E., a Duval County Resident, Representing the Professional Engineers, to the Environmental Protection Brd, Replacing Beth Leaptrott, P.E., Pursuant to Sec 73.101 (Created; Terms of Office; Appointment & Removal), Ch 73 (Environmental Protection Board), Ord Code, for a 1st Full Term to Expire on 9/30/27 (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)  
4/23/24 CO Introduced: R  
5/6/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

Public Comment: Carnell Oliver talked about making committee meetings more accessible to the public by holding them in the evening.

**NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Monday, May 20, 2024.**

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

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