

City of Jacksonville

117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202



Meeting Minutes - Amended

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

9:30 AM

Council Chamber
1st Floor, City Hall

Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety Committee

Michael Boylan, Chair

Will Lahnen, Vice Chair

Matt Carlucci - Early Departure 11:05am

Tyrone Clark-Murray

Terrance Freeman

Mike Gay

Jimmy Peluso - Early Departure

Legislative Assistant: Rebecca Bolton

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

Council Research: Colleen Hampsey

Office of General Counsel: Mary Staffopoulos, Deputy

Administration: Brittany Norris, Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs

Meeting Convened: 9:30am

Meeting Adjourned: 11:34am

Rollcall

Present: 7 - Chair Michael Boylan, Vice Chair Will Lahnen, Council Member Matt Carlucci, Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray, Council Member Terrance Freeman, Council Member Mike Gay and Council Member Jimmy Peluso

Attendance:

CP Salem (23-489)

CVP White (23-489)

CP Salem shared that the letter to the Florida Ethics Commission regarding Post-Office Holding Restrictions was sent on Friday, and it included an additional question pertaining to outside funding the General Counsel's salary and what restrictions would apply if Ms. DeFoor was an unpaid City employee receiving no compensation from the City. He also announced that the appointment of Ms. DeFoor to the General Counsel position will proceed in the regular cycle and not be deferred pending the Ethics Commission's decision.

Presentation on Procurement Bill 2023-20

Lawsikia Hodges, OGC, gave part 2 of 3 of her presentations regarding changes to the Procurement Code per Ordinance 2023-20. Ms. Hodges talked about ethics and transparency in public contracting and contract management. She discussed prohibited contractors as related to undocumented immigrants and those with human trafficking charges. Ms. Hodges described public officials' obligations to disclose financial interests in bidding, and prohibitions on bid collusion and bid tampering. She talked about access to procurement records and electronic access for the public. Ms. Hodges mentioned a triennial supplier survey to gain feedback on performance. She spoke about effective contract management and risk assessment for high risk contracts requiring more oversight to ensure deliverables are met.

Mr. Lascell, Inspector General, talked about his involvement in the drafting of this bill and the need for maintaining a uniform contract management process. He mentioned new software to assist in contract management.

Mr. Boylan asked for a chart depicting the procurement code prior to and with the changes proposed in this bill. Ms. Hodges said she will provide such a chart.

Item/File No. Title History

1. [2023-0020](#) ORD-MC Relating to the City of Jacksonville’s Procurement Code; Repealing & Replacing Pt 1 (General Regulations), Pt 2 (Supplies, Contractual Services & Capital Improvements), Pt 3 (Professional Services Contracts), Pt 5 (Extraordinary Critical Purchasing Procedures), Pt 7 (Design-Build Contracts), & Pt 9 (Art in Public Places), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, & Pt 6 (Cultural Service Grant Program), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, in Their Entirety; Creating a New Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Pt 2 (Jacksonville Procurement Awards Committee), Pt 3 (Procurement Thresholds, Modes, Methods, & Procedures), Pt 5 (Ex-Offender Program), Pt 7 (Buy American Program), & Pt 9 (Bid Protests, Suspension, & Debarments), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Modernize & Provide Greater Efficiencies in the COJ Procurement Code; Amend Pt 4 (Nondiscrimination Policy), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Amend the Definition of Nondiscrimination Consistent with Employee Svcs Nondiscrimination Policy; Amend Pt 6 (Jacksonville Small & Emerging Business Program), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Make the Part Consistent with the Changes in this Ord; Creating a New Pt 6 (Cultural Service Grants & Art in Public Places), Subpt A (Cultural service Grant Program) & Subpt B (Art in Public Places Program), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Relocate the Art in Public Places Program Previously Under Pt 9, Ch 126, Ord Code, to Pt 6, Ch 118, Ord Code; Amend Sec 24.603 (Duties of Chief of Procurement), Pt 6 (Procurement Division), Ch 24 (Finance & Administration Department), Ord Code, to Add Add’l Duties Regarding Contract Admin & Oversight; Creating a New Pt 4 (Contract Administration & Oversight), Ch 21 (Executive Branch, Generally), Ord Code, to Require Contract Admin & Oversight in City Contracts: Etab a Prospective Date of 2/1/24, for Code Repeals, Amdts, & New Provisions Contained in This Ord to Become Effective; Directing the Chief of Procurement to Update the Procurement Operating Manual Consistent With This Ord Prior to 1/1/24; Prov for Oversight by the Procurement Div, Finance & Administration Dept; Prov for Codification Instructions (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Cumber) (Co-Sponsors CMs Salem, Carlucci & Gay)
- 1/10/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, TEU
1/17/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/18/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/18/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/24/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/24/23

DEFER

2. [2023-0345](#) ORD Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, to Execute an Amendment 1 to 2nd Amend & Restated Redevelopment Agrmt by & Among the City, DIA, & Axis Hotels LLC to Extend the Building Improvements Completion Date from 6/30/23 to 9/30/23; Auth Tech Changes to Amendment 1; Prov a Deadline for Developer to Execute the Agrmt (Dillard) (Req of the DIA)
5/23/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
6/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
6/13/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 6/13/23

DEFER

3. [2023-0438](#) ORD Conf the Mayor's Appt of Albert J. Ferraro, Jr., as Director of the Neighborhoods Dept of the City of Jax Pursuant to Sec 34.102 (Office of Director), Pt 1 (Department Established; Office of Director), Ch 34 (Neighborhoods Department), Ord Code; Waiving the Requirement in Sec 34.102 (Office of Director), (Department Established; Office of Director), Ch 34 (Neighborhoods Department), Ord Code, that the Director Have a Bachelor's Degree or Higher From an Accredited College or University (Hodges) (Req of Mayor)
7/25/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
7/31/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
7/31/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/8/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Withdraw 6-1 (M. Carlucci)
9/5/23 R Withdraw 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/8/23

WITHDRAW

- Aye:** 6 - Boylan, Lahnen, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso
Nay: 1 - Carlucci

There was some discussion regarding this bill, which was marked for withdrawal per the appointee's request. CM Boylan said that he thinks highly of Mr. Ferraro but that his skill set did not match with the scope of the position, in that the Neighborhoods Director oversees more than 200 employees and a budget of roughly \$22 million.

CM Carlucci expressed his wish to defer to the new Mayor and whomever she wants in her cabinet positions. He noted that Harry Truman did not have a college degree.

CP Salem said he thinks someone in the Director spot should have the required bachelor's degree. He noted that the previous Mayor withdrew an appointment to the same position when it came to light that the appointee had a bachelor's degree but from an unaccredited university.

CM Peluso said the bachelor's degree requirement is outdated, and he talked about the quality of leadership exhibited by "Mustang" officers who began their careers as enlisted service members and then became Commissioned Officers.

CM Gay said that he himself did not go to college and that many business owners have been successful without attending college. He lauded the skills of Mr. Ferraro for starting and maintaining a business over many years, including surviving the challenges of the recession and the pandemic.

CM Freeman said that there are many pathways to a career and that not all require a bachelor's degree. He asked if Mr. Ferraro will be employed elsewhere in the administration. Ms. Norris, Mayor's Office, said that she believed he will be placed in a different position yet to be determined.

4. [2023-0441](#) ORD Approp \$2,392,309.57 in Reallocated Emergency Rental Assistance Prog (Round 2) Grant Funds from the U.S. Dept of Treasury to the Community Dev Fund Miscellaneous Grants & Aids Acct to Prov Emergency Rent & Utility Assistance to Eligible Households in Duval County Through 9/30/25, to be Administered by the Housing & Community Dev Div of the Neighborhoods Dept in Accord With the Emergency Rental Assistance Prog Estab by Sec 501, Div N, of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021; Prov for Oversight (B.T. 23-102) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
7/25/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
7/31/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/1/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/1/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/8/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/8/23

DEFER

5. [2023-0487](#) ORD Approp \$1,710,000.00, Including \$855,000.00 in Grant Funding Awarded by the State of FL Dept of Emerg Mgmt, State Fire Marshal Div, & a \$855,000.00 City Match, to Purchase Heavy Equipment Trucks & Trailers to Support & Improve the Heavy Equipment Team (HET); Purpose of Approp; Prov for Oversight by JFRD, Emerg Preparedness Div (B.T. 23-106) (Hodges) (Req of Mayor)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

AMENDMENT

- 1. Reflect that the City match is coming from the General Fund Operating Fund Balance**
- 2. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to reflect purchase through Fleet Management and correct account code**

• Funding will be used to purchase six (6) trucks and trailers, a large-scale excavator and a fuel truck

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

6. [2023-0488](#) ORD Transferring \$350,000.00 from the Neighborhood Enhancement Trust - Pari-Mutuel Acct to the Jax Arboretum-Restroom Sewer Connection Proj; Purpose of Approp; Amend the 23-27 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord Code 2022-504-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds; Prov a Carryover of Funds into Subsequent FYs (B.T. 23-103) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Peluso)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

AMENDMENT

- 1. Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (CIP) to correct summing error**
- 2. Correct Scrivener's**

• Proposed improvements are within the required 5-mile area for use of these funds

Daryl Joseph, Parks Director, explained the bill and the Neighborhood Enhancement Trust account funding source. The Neighborhood Enhancement Trust Fund was created in 2013 when the Best Bet poker room opened its facility on Monument Road near Atlantic Boulevard. Pursuant to state law, the City receives a portion of the state's admission tax on pari-mutuel betting facilities and the City created the trust fund to be used for capital improvements within 5 miles of the facility. The poker room is located approximately 1.9 miles from the arboretum.

Dana Dooly, Arboretum Board, spoke about their increase in visitors and the need for proper bathroom facilities.

CM Peluso asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

7. [2023-0489](#) ORD Relating to the Council Rules; Amend Council Rule 1.103 (Annual Declaration of Leadership Interest & Method of Election of Officers), Ch 1 (Organization of the Council), Council Rules, to Prov that Noticed Meetings to Discuss Qualifications for Future Leadership Positions may be Scheduled No Earlier than March 10 or the 1st Business Day Thereafter; Proviso re Waiver of Council Rules to Accept New Candidates for Consideration (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsors CMs Carlucci & Boylan)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/14/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Amend(2x)/Approve 6-1 (Lahnen)
9/5/23 R Amend/Approve 8-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

AMEND(2)/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Boylan, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

Nay: 1 - Lahnen

AMENDMENT 1

Revise language to allow noticed meetings to occur prior to March 10, but pledges may not be made prior to March 10 or the first business day thereafter

AMENDMENT 2

Add language clarifying that no correspondence can occur in support or opposition of a candidate for Council leadership prior to March 10 or the first business day thereafter

There was a lengthy discussion about this bill, which amends Council Rule 1.103 to add a provision that noticed council member-to-member meetings to discuss council leadership qualifications may not take place earlier than March 10 of each year or the first business day thereafter. CP Salem explained the intent of the bill which is to allow for leadership candidates to present their qualifications to their colleagues in a timely manner.

CM Freeman offered a historical background, wherein there used to be no set time frame for CMs announcing an intent to be elected to a leadership position and some began that process in October after budget when the leadership vote is not until May. In 2020, CM Morgan presented a bill that amended the Council Rules to specify that candidates for council leadership express their interest for Council consideration for President or Vice President by filing his or her intent with the Office of the Council Secretary no earlier than March 1 and no later than March 30.

CM Carlucci said that the Rules should dictate a 10 day waiting period before council members pledge their endorsement to any candidate, to provide for a fair amount of time for candidates to share their leadership vision with their colleagues. He said that noticed meetings should be permitted in that time, but without commitments until after day 10. CP Salem agreed that the 10 day moratorium on pledges encompasses the spirit of the bill and offered a floor amendment (Amendment 1) to provide for the permissible noticed meetings in the 10 day window with no endorsements until after the 10 days. The Amendment 1 passed unanimously.

CM Freeman asked if it will acceptable for CMs to send one way emails to their colleagues designating their chosen candidate and the reasons for that support, during the 10 day window.

CM Carlucci offered a second floor amendment, Amendment 2, that would prohibit such one way communications supporting or opposing leadership candidates.

CM Boylan said restricting CMs speech is a slippery slope.

CM Clark-Murray advocated for a true competitive leadership race where the winner is not a shoo-in from the onset.

Amendment 2 passed with a 4-3 vote, with CMs Peluso, Gay, Clark-Murray and Carlucci in the affirmative, CMs Freeman, Lahnen and Boylan in opposition.

At the request of CP Salem, the Committee Chair requested the two amendments be filed separately and not rolled up into one amendment.

8. [2023-0491](#) ORD Approp \$1,696,404.03 in Available Funds from 2 Drainage System Rehab Projs to: (1) the Woolery Dr Drainage Study & Improvements Proj; (2) the Emerald Trail - S-Line to Stonewall St Improvements Proj; (3) the Harlow Blvd/Mother Hubbard Dr S (DSR) - CIP; (4) the Ingleside Ave (DSR) - CIP; (5) the Irving Scott Dr (DSR) - CIP; & (6) the Ortega Blvd Drainage Improvements Proj; Purpose of Approp; Amend the 23-27 5-Yr Capital Improvement Prog Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Prov Add'l Funding for the Projs Entitled "Woolery Drive Drainage Study & Improvements," "Emerald Trail - S-Line to Stonewall Street Improvements," "Harlow Boulevard/Mother Hubbard Drive South (DSR) - Capital Improvement," "Ingleside Avenue (DSR) - Capital Improvement," "Irving Scott Drive (DSR) - Capital Improvement," & "Ortega Boulevard Drainage Improvements;" (B.T. 23-110) (McCain) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray & Peluso)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

AMENDMENT

Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (CIP) to correct prior years appropriation amount

- **Drainage System Rehab funding will be appropriated to the following projects**
 - **Woolery Drive – \$720,661**
 - **Emerald Trail S-Line to Stonewall Street – \$171,743**
 - **Harlow Blvd / Mother Hubbard Dr. S. – \$192,000**
 - **Ingleside Ave – \$75,000**
 - **Irving Scott Dr. – \$242,000**
 - **Ortega Blvd – \$295,000**

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

CM Boylan asked how drainage projects are selected/prioritized.

Robin Smith, Public Works, said that it is based on need and severity of flooding using a matrix to determine urgency.

CM Peluso asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

9. [2023-0492](#) ORD re the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority (JHFA); Amend Sec 52.107 (Powers & Duties), 52.108 (JHFA Loan Funds), & 52.109 (Multi-Family Development Loan Criteria), Ch 52 (Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority), Ord Code; Directing the Finance & Admin Dept to Transfer Funds to the JHFA; Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, to Negotiate & Execute an Interlocal Agrmt btwn the City & the JHFA, as Needed, for the JHFA to Receive City Staff Support on a Cost Reimb Basis; Prov for Oversight by the Finance & Admin Dept as to the Transfer of Funds; Prov for Codification Instructions (Hodges) (Req of JHFA & Co-Sponsored by CM Howland)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
9/6/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

Scrivener's

Pg. 1, line 9: insert "JHFA" before ""Multi-Family"

- **Amends Ordinance Code Ch. 52 to remove requirement that the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority (JHFA) use the City's procurement code and add requirement that JHFA obtain an annual independent financial audit**
- **Authorizes transfer of JHFA funds from City accounts to JHFA established bank accounts**
- **Authorizes execution of an interlocal agreement between the City and JHFA to establish terms for the JHFA to receive City staff support on a cost reimbursement basis as needed. Currently, JHFA receives administrative support from the City's Housing and Community Development Division employees, but no formal agreement exists.**

Barney Smith, Housing Finance Authority, was in attendance for questions only.

10. [2023-0493](#) ORD Approp \$350,000.00 (\$280,000.00 in Grant Funds from the USDOT, Federal Hwy Admin, & a \$70,000.00 Match from the City from Gen Fund Operating Fund Bal) for the Safe Streets & Roads for All Grant Proj; Purpose of Approp; Auth Part-Time Hours; Prov for Oversight by the Planning & Dev Dept (B.T. 23-109) (R.C. 23-162) (Hodges) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray & Peluso)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

AMENDMENT

- 1. Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (Agreement) to reflect amended budget**
- 2. Pg. 1, line 30, strike “\$350,000.00” and insert “\$280,000.00”**

• The goal of the Safe Streets and Roads for All Project is to eliminate all bicycle and pedestrian fatalities and serious injuries by 2030, which includes recommending policies and actionable items to be adopted by the City within one (1) year of completion of the Vision Zero Action Plan

Laurie Santana, Chief of Transportation Planning, spoke on behalf of the bill and noted the dangers to bicyclists and pedestrians on Jacksonville's streets. A portion of these grant funds will provide for the development of a Vision Zero Action Plan, with the goal to eliminate all roadway fatalities and serious injuries by 2030.

CM Clark-Murray asked about community input, and Ms. Santana said that there will be numerous opportunities for public involvement.

CM Peluso asked about Jacksonville becoming a NACTO city. NACTO is an association of 96 major North American cities and transit agencies formed to exchange transportation ideas, insights, and practices and cooperatively approach national transportation issues. Matt Fall, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, said becoming a NACTO city is a goal.

CM Peluso asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

11. [2023-0494](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver that Certain Lease btwn Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Florida, Inc. & the City for the City's Lease of Certain Real Propty & Improvements Located at 532 Riverside Ave, Jax, FL 32202, Commonly Known As "Florida Blue Building," for General Office Purposes & Uses Ancillary & Related Thereto, for a 149 Month Term Commencing on the Effective Date of the Lease; Prov for Oversight by JSO (Hodges) (Req of Mayor)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

AMENDMENT

- 1. Pg. 1, line 16: insert "initial" before "term"**
- 2. Clarify rent abatement period is ten months beginning when tenant improvements are completed and may be converted to additional tenant improvement dollars**

- Authorizes a lease for 62,526 sq. ft. of space in the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Building at 532 Riverside Avenue for an initial 149 month period with two 5-year renewal options**
- Tenant improvement costs are estimated to total \$5,344,328**
- The City will contribute \$1,000,000 and the Landlord will contribute \$3,447,950 towards tenant improvement costs**
- The City's contribution is funded in JSO's FY 22/23 budget**
- The lease includes a ten-month rent abatement period, which the City plans to convert to additional tenant improvement dollars as authorized in the lease agreement (a value of \$982,650)**

Chief Gallaher, JSO Homeland Security Division, spoke on behalf of this bill. He said the new location will provide space for about 205 employees and that JSO is pleased with the facility and the terms of the lease.

Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment and the lease term that provides an out option for the City if a suitable government building becomes available.

12. [2023-0497](#) ORD-MC Amend Ch 150 (Adult Entertainment & Services Code), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Sec 150.104 (Reserved) & Pt 2 (Administration), Sec 150.224 (Performer Work Identification Card), Ord Code, to Remove Language re Providing a List of Locations Where an Applicant Would Be Permitted to Perform & Providing Stage Names Used by the Performer; Amend Ch 151 (Dancing Entertainment Establishment Code), Pt 1 (General Provisions) to Create a New Sec 151.104 (Performer Age Restriction) & Amend Pt 2 (Administration), Sec 151.214 (Performer Work Identification Card), Ord Code, Providing a List of Locations Where an Applicant Would Be Permitted to Perform & Providing Stage Names Used by the Performer; Prov Codification Instructions (Teal) (Req of OGC)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/14/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
9/5/23 R Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

Scrivener's

1. Correct titles of Section 1 and Section 2
2. Pg. 2, line 29: strike first "and"
3. Pg. 2, line 30: insert "and" before "confirmation"

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

Jason Teal, OGC, was in attendance for questions only.

13. [2023-0498](#) ORD-MC Concerning the Disposition of Affordable Housing; Amend Sec 122.423 (Disposition for Affordable Housing), Subpart B (Real Property Dispositions & Exchanges), Pt 4 (Real Property), Ch 122 (Public Property), Ord Code; Auth Time Extensions for Certain Grantees of Donated Properties to Comply with the Donation Restrictions in Sec 122.423 (c), Ord Code, to Construct or Rehabilitate Affordable Housing; Prov for Codification Instructions (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Pittman) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/14/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 8/22/23

DEFER

14. [2023-0499](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, That Certain Ground Lease btwn the City & Association of Firefighters, IAFF Local No. 122, Inc. for Construction & Operation of the Firefighters' Health & Wellness Center, Located at 618 Stockton St, Jax, FL 32204 for a Term Beginning on the Effective Date of the Agrmt & Continuing for 99 Yrs; Prov Further Auth; Prov for Oversight by JFRD (Wilson) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs White, Lahnen, Clark-Murray & Peluso)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/15/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
9/6/23 F Approve 7-0
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APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

- **\$2.5 million in state grant funding and \$2.5 million in City funding was appropriated in FY 2021/22 for construction of the new facility**
- **The City will be responsible for paying all associated maintenance and utility costs and taxes, if any**
- **The term of the lease is 99 years**

CM Peluso asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

15. [2023-0515](#) RESO Conf the Mayor's Appt of Chiquita D. Moore as Operations Director of the Neighborhoods Dept of the City of Jax Pursuant to Sec 34.103 (Operations Director), Pt 1 (Department Established; Office of Director), Ch 34 (Neighborhoods Department), Ord Code (Hodges) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, White, Gaffney, Jr., Pittman, Boylan, Freeman, Carlucci & Johnson)
8/8/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
8/14/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/14/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
8/22/23 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
9/5/23 R Approve 7-0

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

APPOINTMENT

CMs Freeman, Carlucci, Boylan, Lahnen and Peluso asked to be added as co-sponsors.

16. [2023-0551](#) ORD Pursuant to Ch 170, F.S., & Ch 491 & 751, Ord Code Estab the 2023 Special Assessments for FL Agency for Healthcare Administration (AHCA) Licensed Hospitals Pursuant to Ord 2021-456-E; Estab the 2023 Assessment Rate; Prov Notice of Public Hearings; Apv the 2023 Final Assessment Roll; Auth Execution of Agrmt & Recording (Bowles) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S., Sec 170.07, F.S., & C.R. 3.601 - 9/12/23 & 9/26/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

17. [2023-0556](#) ORD Approp a \$411,625.25 Grant from FEMA, Funded Through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Prog & Appvd by the FL Dept of Emerg Mgmt, for the Purchase & Installation of a Permanent Generator at the DOH Bldg; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, Modification # 4 to the Subgrant Agrmt btwn the FL Div of Emerg Mgmt & the City, Contract # H0337; Prov for Oversight by the Public Bldgs Div of the City's Dept of Public Works; Amend the 22-27 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Prov Funding for the Proj Entitled "Department of Health Generator Replacement" (B.T. 23-118) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

18. [2023-0557](#) ORD Approp \$227,218.83 from Local Option Gas Tax-Fund/Sidewalk Construction-New to Fund the Design & Admin Portion of the Starratt Rd Sidewalk Improvements Proj; Purpose of Approp; Amend the 22-27 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds (B.T. 23-117) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

19. [2023-0558](#) ORD Approp \$250,000.00 from the Cecil Commerce Center Trust Fund to the 2023 Auth Capital Projs Fund to Prov Add'l Funding to Complete the Cecil Piping Repair Proj Due to Increased Construction Costs; Purpose of Approp; Amend the 23-27 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Proj (B.T. 23-116) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

20. [2023-0559](#) ORD Transferring \$1,458,000.00 from the Mobility Fee - Zone 2 Bike Ped-Activity to the UNF Campus Bicycle Improvements Proj to Fund the Design & Construction of a New Shared-Use Bike & Pedestrian Path; Purpose of Approp; Amend the 22-27 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord Code 2022-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds (B.T. 23-111) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

21. [2023-0560](#) ORD Concerning Emerg Medical Transportation Svcs: Making Findings; Declaring that Public Convenience & Necessity Require the Transfer or Assignment of a Certificate for Emerg Medical Transportation Svcs from Century Ambulance Service, Inc. to RG Ambulance Service, Inc.; Auth the Dir of Fire & Rescue, or Designee, to Transfer or Assign Said Certificate; Req 1-Cycle Emergency Passage; Prov for Cont'd Operation (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU
9/5/23 NCSPHS Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0
9/6/23 TEU Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

EMERGENCY/AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Boylan, Lahnen, Carlucci, Clark-Murray, Freeman, Gay and Peluso

AMENDMENT

Reflect company name as “RG Ambulance Services, Inc. DBA Century Ambulance Service, Inc.”

- **The nature of the emergency is to avoid the interruption of emergency medical transportation services**

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

22. [2023-0561](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a 1st Amendment to Grant Agrmt btwn the City & Mayport Waterfront, Inc. to: (1) Extend the Term of the Agrmt for a Period of 1 Yr to 9/30/24; (2) Amend the Scope of Svcs to Increase the No. of Fundraising Events & the Fundraising Goal; (3) Auth 2 Advance Payments for the Remaining Balance of Grant Funds to Recipient, the 1st in the Amt of \$62,000 Due on 10/30/23, & the 2nd in the Amt of \$36,000 Due on 1/31/24; & (4) Certain Other Amendments as Set Forth in the Amendment Auth Hereby; Waiving Sec 118.201 (f) (7) (Release of Appropriations), Pt 2 (Disbursement of City Grants), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow for Advance Payments to the Recipient; Prov for City Oversight by OED (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, JWC
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

23. [2023-0563](#) ORD Transferring \$234,672.91 from Various Administrative Expenses, Including Salaries, Benefits, & ISA, to Forgivable Loans to Complete Community Dev Block Grant (CDBG-DR) Costs of Necessary & Pending Home Repairs Attributable to Damage Caused by Hurricane Matthew; Purpose of Approp; Prov a Carryover of Funds Into Subsequent FYs (B.T. 23-112) (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

24. [2023-0564](#) ORD Transferring \$394,000 from Equity In Pooled Cash to Expense Acct Per Ord 2019-135-E for Parks, Rec, & Community Svcs Dept; Purpose of Approp (B.T. 23-115) (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

25. [2023-0566](#) ORD Approp a \$68,000.00 Grant from the U.S. Dept of Homeland Security Through the FL Div of Emerg Mgmt to Prov Funding for the Purchase of Radio Equipment to Upgrade the Existing Radio Equipment Used by the Mutual Aid Radio Communications (MARC) Prog, Which is Currently Out of Manufacturer Support, for Public Safety Communications in Response to All Hazards Emergencies; Purpose of Approp; Prov for Oversight & Reporting by JFRD, Emerg Preparedness Div (B.T. 23-113) (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

26. [2023-0567](#) ORD-MC Concerning Prohibited Activities in City Parks; Incorporation of Recitals; Amend Sec 614.133 (Prohibited Activities in City Parks), Ch 614 (Public Order & Safety), Ord Code, to Prohibit Use of Tobacco Products or Vapor-Generating Devices in City Parks (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico) (Co-Sponsors CMs Gay, Pittman, Freeman & Salem)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/5/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

27. [2023-0570](#) ORD Approp \$4,133,922 From the Opioid Settlement Fund - Misc Settlements Acct to the Opioid Settlement Fund - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct to Fund Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants for FY 23-24 in Accordance with Ord 2023-350-E (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Salem)
8/22/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
9/5/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/6/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 9/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

Public comment: Mr. Nooney offered his support for 2023-515 and discussed various waterways topics.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Monday, September 18, 2023.

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

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