

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes - Amended

Tuesday, December 5, 2023

9:30 AM

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

Finance Committee

Nick Howland, Chair

Randy White, Vice Chair

Raul Arias

Kevin Carrico

Reggie Gaffney, Jr.

Will Lahnen

Ju'Coby Pittman

Legislative Assistant: Maritza Sanchez

Legislative Assistant: Vanessa Galan

Council Auditor's Office: Kim Taylor, Council Auditor

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

Council Research: Jeff Clements, Chief

*Office of General Counsel: Mary Staffopoulos, Deputy
Administration*

Meeting Convened: 9:32 AM

Meeting Adjourned: 11:53 AM

Rollcall

Present: 7 - Chair Nick Howland, Vice Chair Randy White, Council Member Raul Arias, Council Member Kevin Carrico, Council Member Reggie Gaffney Jr., Council Member Will Lahnen and Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman

Attendance

Council Members Ron Salem and Chris Miller; Kim Taylor, Phillip Peterson, Brian Parks, Trista Carraher, Heather Reber – Council Auditor’s Office; Jeff Clements – Council Research Division; Merriane Lahmeur, Maritza Sanchez, Vanessa Galan - Legislative Services Division; Teresa Eichner, Steve Cassada, Eric Grantham – Public Information Division; Mary Staffopoulos – General Counsel’s Office; Joseph Inderhees, Scott Wilson, Bill Delaney – Mayor’s Office; Anna Brosche, Angela Moyer – Finance and Administration Department

Chairman Howland convened the meeting and the attendees introduced themselves for the record. The Chair announced that there would be a presentation at the end of the meeting by the City’s independent auditor, Carr Riggs and Ingram, on the City’s audited financial report for FY21-22. Items 2023-804 and 2023-836 will be taken up first at the request of the Council President, followed by 2023-807 and -847, then the remainder of the agenda in order.

Public Comment

Carnell Oliver said some council members are taking advantage of the public’s lack of knowledge of how things work to benefit themselves. There is no effort to deal with income inequality in the city, particularly in the African American community. He recommends a universal basic income allocation to low-income families instead of more not-for-profit organizations and programs.

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. [2023-0441-E](#) 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
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Substitute/Approve 5-0
 12/5/23 F Substitute/Approve 6-0
 12/5/23 TEU Substitute/Approve 6-0
 12/12/23 CO Substitute/Approve 16-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/8/23

SUBSTITUTE/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the substitute. Travis Jeffrey of the Housing and Community Development District described the proposed use of the funds by three developers.

As substituted:

- **The Neighborhoods Department will contract for the following projects:**
 - \$1 million to Jacksonville Housing Authority (JHA) for construction of 5 new single-family units
 - \$1 million to Ability Housing for development and construction of a 90 unit apartment community off 103rd St.
 - \$392,309.57 to Jacksonville Community Land Trust for the construction of 2 new single-family units
 - Clarify funds to be used for affordable rental housing

3. [2023-0621](#) ORD Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, an Amendment 2 to Redev Agrmt By & Among the City, DIA, Fuqua BCDC One Riverside Project Owner, LLC (Developer), Assignee of Fuqua Acquisitions II, LLC, & TBR One Riverside Owner, LLC, as Partial Assignee of Developer, Amend the Redev Agrmt Dated 12/20/21 Previously Auth by Ord 2021-796-E, as Previously Amended by Amendment 1 to Redev Agrmt Dated 10/12/22, as Auth by Ord 2022-493-E, (Collectively, the “Agreement”), to Modify the Performance Schedule & Associated Terms of the Agrmt; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Above Agrmts & Transactions, & Auth Tech Changes to the Docs (Sawyer) (Req of DIA)
9/12/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
9/18/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/19/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/26/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 9/26/23

DEFER

4. [2023-0716](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 55.105 (Boundaries of Jacksonville Downtown Area), 55.106 (Definitions), & 55.112 (Project & Program Funding), Pt 1 (Downtown Investment Authority), Ch 55 (Downtown Investment Authority), Ord Code, to Revise & Add Certain Definitions, Clarify Proj & Prog Funding, Add Language Identifying the DIA as the Desig Supervising & Admin Body Over the Downtown Economic Dev Fund, & Amend the Sec Title; Prov for Codification Instructions (Lopera) (Req of DIA) (Co-Sponsor CM Peluso)
10/10/23 CO Introduced: R, F
10/16/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/17/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/24/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/24/23

DEFER

- 5. [2023-0764-E](#) ORD Approp \$284,000.00 From the General Fund Mayor’s Task Force Contingency to the Subsidies & Contributions To Private Orgs Acct Within the Martin Luther King, Jr. Activity to Support the MLK Week of Service Programming to Be Held 1/13/24 Thru 1/20/24; 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 United Way of Northeast Florida, Inc. For Planning & Oversight of the MLK Week of Srvc Prog; 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 United Way; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City an Agrmt btwn the City & United Way; Prov Oversight by the Grants & Contracts Compliance Div of the Finance & Admin Dept (Revised B.T. 24-016) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Peluso, Carlucci, Amaro & Gaffney, Jr.)
 - 10/24/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 - 11/6/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/6/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/7/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/14/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 12/4/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 5-0
 - 12/4/23 R Amend/Approve 4-1 (Miller)
 - 12/5/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 - 12/12/23 CO Amend/Approve 16-0
 - Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/14/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment.

NCSPHS AMENDMENT

- 1. Attach scope of services and budget as a new exhibit**
- 2. Include authorization to execute direct contract with United Way**
- 3. Add Sec. 118.107 waiver**
- 4. Add Sec. 126.107(g) exemption**
- 5. Add oversight by the Grants and Contract Compliance Division**
- 6. Attach revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to reflect appropriation of dollars to Grants and Contract Compliance Division instead of Special Events**

- **The City will direct contract with the United Way of Northeast Florida for the MLK Week of Service activities**
- **The United Way will be partnering with other organizations to carry out the activities**
- **The FY 23/24 Council approved budget includes \$56,711 for MLK Jr. Breakfast activities which is separate from the Week of Service activities**

- 6. [2023-0794-E](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver to Brd of Trustees of the Florida Junior College at Jacksonville, a Body Politic, a Release of Restrictive Covenants for the Purpose of Releasing the City’s Existing Right of Reverter in & to a Parcel of Real Property Located at 990 N. Main St, thereby Enabling the Grantee to Sell the Property to a 3rd Party Buyer in its Sole Discretion (R.E. # 074367-0000) (Wilson) (Introduced by CM Peluso)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: F, TEU
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/5/23 F Approve 7-0
 12/5/23 TEU Approve 6-0
 12/12/23 CO Approve 17-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 11/28/23

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the Council Auditor's proposed amendment for the City to realize some of the proceeds of the proposed sale of the property and noted that the Sheriff's Office is currently utilizing the building on a rent-free basis and will need to relocate to another facility. Chris Hagan representing FSCJ said the college will help JSO find another site to relocate those employees. CMs Lahnen and Pittman asked questions about the property, the building, the appraised value, and the potential historical status of the site. Cyndy Trimmer representing the purchaser said that they have not done a separate appraisal of that 10% portion of the overall parcel. Taylor Mejia, Director of Government and Community Relations for FSCJ said the college had renovated and operated the building since the 1980s and by state statute can only use the proceeds from the sale of the property for capital purposes. The college's top capital priorities are to renovate the Veterans Center at the Kent Campus and expand and renovate the Career Connections Center at the Downtown Campus, both of which are open to the public for use. In response to a question from CM Carrico, Ms. Trimmer said the purchaser is planning a mixed use residential and retail development to connect downtown with Springfield. Chairman Howland asked if FSCJ would commit to housing the JSO officers being displaced from the facility being sold. Ms. Mejia said the college would be agreeable to language committing to make its best reasonable effort to accommodate JSO in another FSCJ facility or with a partner agency.

Scrivener's**Pg. 1, line 13, strike "990" and insert "940"**

- **Property was granted by the City to FSCJ in 1980 with restrictive covenants that FSCJ will restore, maintain and use the property for educational and college related purposes**
- **Property is currently utilized by JSO under a rent-free MOU with FSCJ**
- **This legislation would terminate the City's existing right of reverter to the property, enabling FSCJ to sell the property to a third party buyer free and clear of the City's reversionary interest**
- **The subject property is approximately 10% of the greater parcel's size that has a Property Appraiser assessed value of \$1.9 million**

AUDITOR COMMENTS:

- **By terminating the City's right of reverter, the City is relinquishing its right to the property and any proceeds that might generated from the sale of the property**
- **JSO may have to move to a different facility that could result in additional costs if they are unable to find another rent-free option**

AUDITOR RECOMMENDED AMENDMENT

The City should receive a portion of the sales price through either an agreement with FSCJ or by exercising the right of reverter and selling directly to the third party buyer

- 7. [2023-0798-E](#) ORD Approp \$1,473,423 Consisting of \$1,000,000 in Grant Funds From the U.S. Dept of Health & Human Svcs, Substance Abuse & Mental Health Svcs Admin (SAMHSA), a KHA Cash Match in the Amount of \$75,000 From the Kids Alliance Fund, & An In-Kind Match of \$398,423, For Implementation of the Co-designing Rich Environments for All to Thrive Everyday (CREATE) Program, for the 1st Yr of the 4 Yr Grant Term Beginning 9/30/23 Thru 9/29/27; Purpose of Approp; Amend Revised Schedule M to Ord 2023-511-E; Invoking the Exception to Sec 126.107(g), Ord Code, With Respect to Svcs to Be Provided by Managed Access to Child Health, Inc.; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec, &/or the CEO of KHA, to Execute & Deliver a Contract With Managed Access to Child Health, Inc. For the Provision of Professional Svcs for the CREATE Program; Waiving the Requirements of Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ch 77 (Kids Hope Alliance), Ord Code, to Exempt the Svcs to Be Provided by Managed Access to Child Health, Inc. From Competitive Procurement; Prov for Oversight by KHA (Revised B.T. 24-019) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
 - 11/14/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 - 11/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 12/4/23 R Amend/Approve 5-0
 - 12/5/23 F Amend/Approve 6-0-1 (Pittman)
 - 12/12/23 CO Amend/Approve 14-0-2 (Pittman, Clark-Murray)
 - Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/28/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr. and Lahnen

Abstain: 1 - Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. CM Pittman announced that she would be abstaining from the vote due to a potential conflict of interest with her employer possibly applying for these funds.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Include in-kind contribution of \$398,423 in appropriation, for a revised total appropriation of \$1,473,423**
- 2. Strike position authorization language and remove RC (Exhibit 2)**
- 3. Attach revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to include executed version of the BT**
- 4. Attach revised Exhibit 3 (Second Revised Schedule M) to correct labeling**
- 5. Attach grant award letter as a new exhibit**

• **As amended, appropriates \$1,473,423 (grant funding of \$1,000,000 and City match of \$473,423) for the first year of a 4-year U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Grant for the CREATE program**

• **City match of \$473,423 consists of a \$75,000 cash match and \$398,423 in-kind match (the grant award requires a match of \$398,423)**

• **Waives the requirement in Sec. 77.111(a) that KHA provider contracts shall be competitively procured under Chapter 126, Ordinance Code, via an evaluated bid process in order to direct contract with Managed Access for Child Health to provide program services**

8. [2023-0800-E](#) ORD Concerning Emergency Mgmt; Making Findings; Apv & Auth the Mayor, Or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec To Execute & Deliver a New Statewide Mutual Aid Agrmt; Prov for City Oversight by the Emergency Preparedness Division (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 11/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Approve 5-0
 12/5/23 F Approve 7-0
 12/12/23 CO Approve 17-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 11/28/23

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Capt. Timothy Smith of JFRD explained the mutual aid agreement.

9. [2023-0801-E](#) ORD Concerning a Continuation Grant; Approp \$1,000,000.00 From the Dept of Homeland Security, With No City Match, to Prov Funding for the FY 23 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Prog (RCPGP) to Fund a Comprehensive Risk Analysis to Assess Impacts of Climate Extremes; Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Accept, for & On Behalf of the City, the RCPGP Award Docs Btwn the U.S. Dept of Homeland Security & the City; Prov for City Oversight by the Emergency Preparedness Division (B.T. 24-021) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 11/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Approve 5-0
 12/5/23 F Approve 7-0
 12/12/23 CO Approve 17-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 11/28/23

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Noah Ray of JFRD described the purpose of the grant.

- **Funding will be used to conduct a comprehensive risk analysis to assess the escalating impact of climate extremes on critical infrastructure and identify mitigating solutions**
- **Funding will also be used to provide education, tools and training to increase the resilience of disadvantaged communities**
- **Grant period ends 9/30/2026**

10. [2023-0802-E](#) ORD Approp \$350,850.00 from the Jax Upward Mobility Prog - Contingency to the Jax Upward Mobility Prog - Trust Fund Auth Expenditures, to be Used for Progs for the Training, Education & Maintenance of a Sustainable Workforce in the City; Purpose of Appropriation (B.T. 24-020) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Freeman, Miller, Gay, Carlucci & Clark-Murray)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 11/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Approve 5-0
 12/5/23 NCSPHS Approve 5-0-2 (Carrico, Pittman)
 12/12/23 CO Approve 14-0-2 (Carrico, Pittman)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 11/28/23

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Howland, White, Arias, Gaffney Jr. and Lahnen

Abstain: 2 - Carrico and Pittman

Dr. Saralyn Grass of KHA described the purpose of the funding. CMs Carrico and Pittman announced that they would be abstaining from the vote due to voting conflicts with their employers potentially applying for these funds.

- 11. [2023-0803-E](#) ORD Approp \$1,000,000 from a Desig Special Council Contingency to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct to Prov Funding to United Way of NE Florida, Inc. for The Eviction Diversion Prog Described Herein; Prov for Carryover of Funds to FY 24-25; 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 United Way; 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 United Way; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver On Behalf of the City an Agrmt... (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Boylan) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Peluso & Carlucci)
 - 11/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 - 11/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 12/4/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 5-0
 - 12/4/23 R Amend/Approve 5-0
 - 12/5/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 - 12/12/23 CO Amend/Approve 16-0
 - Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 11/28/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment.

AMENDMENT

Attach revised Exhibit 2 (Term Sheet) to strike reference to landlord form and include line item budget

- **Appropriates \$1,000,000 for the eviction diversion program from a designated contingency account that was established as part of the FY 23/24 budget process**
- **The program will be a collaboration of the United Way of Northeast Florida, Jewish Family and Community Services, Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, and the Duval County court system**
- **The program will provide up to three months of rent and/or utility payments to ensure a family reaches stability and is not evicted**
- **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 allow a direct contract with the United Way of Northeast Florida for the eviction diversion program**

12. [2023-0804-E](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 111.270 (Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund), Pt 2 (Health & Human Services), Ch 111 (Special Revenue & Trust Accounts), Ord Code, to Auth Expenditure of Up to 10% of Funds Approp from the Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund to Homeless Diversion Svcs Providers for Admin Costs; Approp \$200,000 from the Contingency Acct to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct within the Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund to Prov Funding to I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc. for the Homeless Diversion 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 Sulzbacher...(Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsors CMs Peluso, Carlucci & Clark-Murray)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 11/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 5-0
 12/4/23 R Amend/Approve 5-0
 12/5/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 12/12/23 CO Amend/Approve 16-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 11/28/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Council President Salem explained the use of the funds and advocated for its approval. The council can review the success of the program and potentially provide additional funding in next year's budget. In response to a question from CM Gaffney Jr., Mary Staffopoulos provided details about who is intended to be eligible for this program, which is persons who have lost their housing but have not yet entered a homeless shelter or homelessness program.

NCSPHS AMENDMENT

1. Change name of Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund to Homelessness Diversion Special Revenue Fund

2. Attach revised Exhibit 2 (Term Sheet) to include line item budget

- Appropriates \$200,000 from the Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund to provide funding to the Sulzbacher Center for a homeless diversion program
- \$200,000 will be allocated for diversion assistance (hotel assistance, vehicle repairs, moving assistance, child-care assistance, and security and utility deposits) and with prior approval from the City, \$20,000 of that amount may be reallocated to partially fund a Diversion Case Manager
- Amends Code Sec. 111.270 (Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund) to allow any entity receiving funds from the Fund to spend up to 10% of funds received for administrative costs
- 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 allow a direct contract with the I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless for the homeless diversion program
- Waives the requirement in Code Sec. 118.301(a)(3)(ii) to allow a portion of the City funds to be used for security and/or utility deposits for qualified households receiving assistance through the program

13. [2023-0806](#) ORD re the FY 22-23 City Grant Agrmt btwn FOBT Pipeline, Inc., a FL Not for Profit Corp (FBOT), & the City (FY 23 City Grant Agreement); Waiving FOBT's Non-Compliance with the Permit Requirement Prov in the FY 23 City Grant Agrmt; Req 1-Cycle Emergency Passage (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Howland) (Co-Sponsor CM Peluso)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 11/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 11/28/23

DEFER

- 14. [2023-0807-E](#) ORD-MC Approp \$11,031,214.50, Consisting of \$2,696,000 From the General Fund Mayor’s Task Force Contingency Acct, \$7,635,214.50 From the American Rescue Plan Fund Maor’s Task Force Contingency Acct, \$200,00 From the Disabled Parking Fines Fund, & \$500,000 From the Tree Protection Fund to Fund a Portion of the Mayor’s Task Force Progs & Initiatives as Follows: (1) \$500,000 for Youth & Families Which Includes \$150,000 to Accountability Tracker, \$250,000 to City’s Pool Plan, & \$100,000 to Wi-Fi in COJ Parks Expansion, (2) \$2,750,000 for Progs for the American Dream Which Includes \$2,000,000 to Downpayment Assistance Prog, & \$750,000 to Attainable Housing Tap in Prog, (3) \$996,000 For Homelessness which includes a Home Roof Initiative...(Revised B.T. 24-023) (Hodges) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Peluso, Carlucci, Johnson & Gaffney, Jr.)
 - 11/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 - 11/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 - 11/28/23 CO PH Substitute/Rerefer 12-1-4 (Carlucci) (Carrico, Pittman, Amaro, Clark-Murray)
 - 12/4/23 NCSPHS Amend(14x)/Approve 5-0
 - 12/4/23 R Amend (15x)/Approve 6-0
 - 12/5/23 F Amend (5x)/Approve 7-0
 - 12/12/23 CO Amend(6x)/Approve 16-0
 - Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/28/23

AMEND(5X)/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Chairman Howland said he attended both committee meetings yesterday and was impressed by the detailed scrutiny of this bill and the amendments offered by the committee members. Mary Staffopoulos explained the proposed amendments approved yesterday by the NCSPHS and Rules Committees one by one and they were moved and voted on in sequence.

In response to a question from CM Arias, Diana Donovan, Executive Director of the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, said that council members in yesterday's meetings were interested in keeping the full \$150,000 for the CPAC Public Art Initiative for the art installations and the Council President offered to use his contingency fund to appropriate an additional \$30,000 to pay for administrative costs for the program and maintenance of the artworks.

CMs Carrico and Pittman asked if they needed to abstain from voting on NCSPHS amendment #4 because the funding is being transferred via a separate ordinance to another program from which their employers may be seeking funds. Ms. Staffopoulos said they were not required to abstain because this amendment does not appropriate those funds, but could abstain if they chose in an abundance of caution. In response to a question from CM Gaffney Jr. about NCSPHS amendment #6, Ms. Staffopoulos said that recipients of roof assistance grants would be strongly encouraged, but not mandated, to perform community service. In response to a question from CM Pittman, Ms. Staffopoulos discussed the reporting requirement in NCSPHS amendment #8.

Ms. Staffopoulos reviewed all of the amendments that have been unanimously passed by all committees this week to be rolled up into a unified Finance Committee amendment, which was approved by the Chair. CM Arias moved an amendment previously offered as Arias amendment #1 to place \$546,000 of the funding for the pilot roof replacement program "below the line" and allocate \$400,000 for expenditure. Ms. Staffopoulos noted that \$50,000 was removed from this program via an earlier amendment. In response to a question from CM Gaffney Jr, Travis Jeffrey of the Housing and Community Development Division said the administration would prefer that the full amount be allocated immediately because of the amount of demand for roof replacements and the ability of the division to get the dollars on the street quickly. He said that because of the funding source, new eligibility criteria will need to be developed, and an RFP or RFQ will be issued to hire one or more contractors to do the roofing work. CM Carrico moved to amend the amendment to allocate \$546,000 for expenditure and put \$400,000 "below the line" – the amendment to the amendment was approved unanimously.

CM Miller asked the administration to consider the Council Auditor's findings about what Visit Jacksonville is already doing in the area of Black history tourism. Lisa Ransom of the Neighborhood Services Program said the Visit Jax program is a walking tour of sites and this proposal is for erection of signage at various Black history sites. Phillip Peterson described his discussion with Visit Jax about the two programs and said that the major difference appears to be the signage element. Chairman Howland noted that the reporting requirement approved earlier would apply to the expenditure of these funds for historical markers. Ms. Ransom said the cost of signs is not known at this point. Mr. Peterson noted that unspent funds will be carried over to FY24-25 pursuant to the ordinance and the Mayor has transfer authority and could move unspent funds to another activity. CM Arias recommended adopting a maximum cost for each sign and Scott Wilson of the Mayor's Office said the administration would try to get a cost estimate for typical signs in the near future.

CM Arias proposed an amendment to the Small Business Capital Access Program to allocate 10% of the funding specifically to JSEBs by reducing the \$1M for the original Capital Access Program to \$900,000 and creating a separate \$100,000 Capital Access Program for JSEB companies. CM Lahnen asked if another portion could be carved out for veteran-owned companies; Mr. Peterson said it could be done via creation of a separate allocation for tracking purposes or it could be left in the \$900,000 fund and be informally tracked for utilization by veterans. Ed Randolph, Director of Economic Development, said his department will be very focused on serving JSEBs and veterans with these funds.

2023-807 was approved as 5-times amended.

• **Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) in order to authorize direct contracts with the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, the United Way of Northeast Florida, Riverfront Parks Conservancy, and Opportunity Development Inc/Center for Independent Living Jacksonville for the programs authorized through this legislation**

NCSPHS AMENDMENTS 10 & 11 See separate handout

FINANCE AMENDMENT #1

- 1. a. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct account codes**
 - b. Remove Exhibit 2 (UNF Small Business Development Term Sheet) as terms and scope reflect current contract**
 - c. Swap the use of ARP dollars that could result in the return of funds and use General Fund dollars for these programs instead**
 - d. Include provision requiring Council approval for any substantial changes to the program scope, criteria and guidelines included in the Task Force Initiatives Summary (on file document)**
 - 2. Allocate 10% of funding within the Direct Grants for Artists (\$750k) for administration of the program**
 - 3. Appropriate \$30,000 from the Council President Contingency Account for administration (\$15k) and maintenance (\$15k) for the CPAC Public Art Initiative**
- 4-9 & 12-14. See separate handout for additional amendments**

FINANCE AMENDMENT #2 - Arias amendment #1 see separate handout

FINANCE AMENDMENT #3 - Arias amendment #2

15. [2023-0808-E](#) ORD Approp \$1,250,000 From the Mayor’s Task Force Contingency Fund to: (1) Prov Additional Funding in the Amt of \$1,000,000 to the Countywide Parks - Pool Maintenance & Upgrades Proj; & (2) to Prov \$250,000 for the Veterans Community Ctr Proj, Purpose of Approp; Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2023-505-E to Reflect This Approp of Funds; Prov for Compliance With Applicable ARP Act Grant Funding Requirements (B.T. 24-018) (Wilson) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Peluso, Carrico, Miller, Carlucci, Gaffney, Jr., Arias, White, Pittman & Clark-Murray)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 11/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Approve 5-0
 12/4/23 R Approve 6-0
 12/5/23 F Approve 7-0
 12/12/23 CO Approve 16-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/28/23

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

CM Carrico asked for more details on the contemplated military community center planning process and urged the City to “dream big” for the facility. Harrison Conyers, Director of Military and Veterans Affairs, said such a center is the number two most requested need from veterans, following assistance with accessing VA benefits. CMs Gaffney Jr, Arias, White, Pittman asked to be added as co-sponsors. CM Miller said his experience is that many younger veterans are not comfortable plugging into the existing veterans’ organizations so this new center could be a big step in making that happen.

Scrivener's

1. Pg. 1, line 6, pg. 3, lines 23 and 30, and pg. 4, line 12: strike "Fund"
2. Pg. 1, line 17: correct spelling

16. [2023-0809-E](#) ORD Approp \$150,000 From a Desig Contingency Acct to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct to Prov Funding to Northside Community Involvement, Inc. (NCI) for the Communities With Resources Working Together for the Betterment of Jax, FL 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 NCI; 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 NCI...(Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Gaffney, Jr.) (Co-Sponsors CMs Peluso & Johnson)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 11/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 5-0
 12/4/23 R Amend/Approve 5-0
 12/5/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 12/12/23 CO Amend/Approve 16-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/28/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment.

AMENDMENT

Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (Term Sheet) to include line item budget

- **Appropriates \$150,000 from a designated contingency account that was established as part of the FY 2023/24 budget process**
- **\$135,000 will be allocated for regrants for adult education, child development, crime prevention and intervention, clothing, housing, transportation, mental health services and utilities and \$15,000 will be allocated for occupancy expenses of Northside Community Involvement**
- **Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) in order to authorize a direct contract with Northside Community Involvement**

17. [2023-0810-E](#) ORD Approp \$161,073, Including \$100,000 From Council Operating Contingency & \$61,073 From the Council President Contingency to Council Staff Svcs to Prov Funding for Potential Increases to Salaries of the Executive Council Assistants & the Secretary (Executive Council Assistant) to the Council President Within the Legislative Branch Based on the Changes to the Pay Grades for the Positions; Waiving the Relevant Provisions of Sec 129.112 (Council Related Salaries), Ch 129 (Compensation of City Officials & Employees), Ord Code, to Auth This Action Without Receipt of a Recommendation as to the Pay Range From the Dir of the Employee Svcs Dept or Action by the Council Executive Committee to Determine the New Pay Grade; Directing Establishment & Prov a Prospective Effective Date of 12/30/23 for the Pay Grade Adjustment (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico) (Co-Sponsors CMs Johnson, Gaffney, Jr., Peluso, J. Carlucci, Howland, Amaro, Miller, White, Freeman, Boylan, Lahnen, Arias & Pittman)
 11/14/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 11/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/4/23 R Approve 5-0
 12/5/23 F Approve 7-0
 12/12/23 CO Approve 17-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 11/28/23

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

CM Carrico thanked the ECAs for the good work they do to serve council members and constituents. CMs Lahnen, Arias, Pittman asked to be added as co-sponsors.

- **Increases the pay grades for Executive Council Assistants (ECAs) by approximately 14% to be effective 12/30/23**
- **Appropriates \$161,073 (consisting of \$100,000 from the Council Operating Contingency and \$61,073 from the Council President Operating Contingency) to cover the financial impact through 9/30/24 if all ECA salaries were increased to the maximum amount**
- **Waives the provisions in Code Sec. 129.112 that 1) require a recommendation from the Director of Employee Services as to the pay range for appointed employees within the Legislative Branch and 2) require the City Council Executive Committee set the pay grades for all ECAs**

18. [2023-0832](#) ORD Auth the Mayor & Corp Sec to Execute a Contract with JU for the Continuing Manatee Protection Studies for FY 23-24, with Up to 4 Annual Renewals, Subj to Approp by City Council; Invoking Sec 126.107 (g), Ord Code, to Waive Competitive Solicitation & Bidding for Said Contract (Wilson)
(Introduced by CM Peluso)
11/28/23 CO Introduced: R, F, JWC
12/4/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/5/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/12/23 PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 12/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

19. [2023-0833](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Execution of an Amendment 3 to Economic Dev Agrmt btwn the City & Uptown Signature Development, Inc., to Extend the Completion of Construction Deadline for the Company's Mixed-Use Proj in Jax, FL for an Add'l 6 Months Due to Construction Delays, & to Auth the Executive Dir of OED to Extend the Completion of Construction Deadline an Add'l 6 Months for Good Cause Shown; Apv & Auth Execution of Docs by the Mayor or Her Designee & Corp Sec; Prov for City Oversight by OED (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
11/28/23 CO Introduced: F
12/5/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/12/23 PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 12/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

20. [2023-0836-E](#) ORD-MC re the Opioid & Substance Use Disorder Settlement Proceeds Grants; Approp \$3,100,442 from the Opioid Settlement Fund - Miscellaneous Settlements Acct to the Opioid Settlement Fund - Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct to Fund Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants for FY 23-24 in Accord with Ord 2023-350-E; Purpose; Amend Secs 84.301 (Opioid Settlement Proceeds Allocation For Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants) & 84.307 (Funding Allocations By OSUD Grants Committee; Grant Award Limitations), Pt 3 (Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grant Award Procedures), Ch 84 (Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants), Ord Code; Prov for the Grant Appl Deadline For FY 23-24 Grant Cycle to be Through 12/18/23; Req 1-Cycle Emergency Passage; Prov for Codification Instructions (Hodges) (Introduced by CP Salem)
11/28/23 CO Introduced: R, F
12/4/23 R Emergency/Amend/Approve 5-0
12/5/23 F Emergency/Amend/Approve 6-0-1 (Carrico)
12/12/23 CO Emergency/Amend/Approve 15-0-1 (Carrico)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 12/12/23

EMERGENCY/AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Howland, White, Arias, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Abstain: 1 - Carrico

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment and the emergency request. CM Carrico said he would be abstaining from the vote because his employer may be an applicant for a portion of these funds.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Correct title of Ch. 84, Part 3**
- 2. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 to include page 2 of the BT**

- **Appropriates an additional \$3,100,442 in opioid settlement revenue to fund opioid settlement proceeds grants, for a new total of \$7,234,364 available for grants in FY 23/24**
- **Increases the annual funding amount for opioid settlement proceeds grants to a minimum of 70% of settlement proceeds received in the immediately preceding calendar year (increased from 40%)**
- **Increases the maximum grant award amount from \$250,000 to \$500,000**
- **Establishes an application deadline of December 18, 2023 for the FY 23/24 grant cycle**
- **A one cycle emergency has been requested in order to notify requesting agencies of the additional grant funding available and increased maximum award amount since the grant application process is underway**

- 21. [2023-0837](#) ORD Approp \$1,042,000.00 from the Countywide Bridges Proj to Fund 2 Named Projs, with \$792,000.00 to Fund Yellow Bluff Rd Bridge Repairs, & \$250,000.00 to Fund the New Berlin Guardrails Proj; Purpose of Approp; Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2023-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds (B.T. 24-027) (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
 11/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/5/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/5/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/12/23 PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 12/12/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

22. [2023-0838-E](#) ORD Approp \$50,000.00 in State Grant Funding from the State of FL, Dept of State, Div of Historical Resources to Fund a Survey of Historic Structures Within the Boundaries of the Locally Designated Springfield Historic Dist; Purpose Of Approp; Apv & Auth the Mayor, Or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a Grant Agrmt with the State of FL, Dept of State, for the Purpose of Prov the Grant Funds to the City; Prov for Oversight by the Planning & Dev Dept; Req 1-cycle Emergency Passage (B.T. 24-026) (Wilson) (Req of Mayor)
11/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
12/4/23 NCSPHS Emergency/Approve 5-0
12/5/23 F Emergency/Approve 7-0
12/5/23 TEU Emergency/Approve 6-0
12/12/23 CO Emergency/Approve 16-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 12/12/23

EMERGENCY/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the request for the emergency.

- **The scope of work includes procuring professional historical preservation services, conducting archival research, and conducting field surveys**
- **No City match is required**
- **Grant period is July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024**
- **The nature of the emergency is that the City must complete the survey before the end of the grant term**

23. [2023-0839-E](#) ORD Approp a \$1,000,000 Grant from the EPA for Climate Pollution Reduction Activities that Include Estab of a Greenhouse Gas Inventory & the Creation & Implementation of a Climate Action Plan for the Jax Metropolitan Statistical Area; Auth PT Hours Prov for Carryover to FY 26-27; Prov for Oversight by the Planning & Dev Dept; Req 1-Cycle Emergency Passage (R.C. 24-040) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
11/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
12/4/23 NCSPHS Emergency/Amend/Approve 5-0
12/5/23 F Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0
12/5/23 TEU Emergency/Amend/Approve 6-0
12/12/23 CO Emergency/Amend/Approve 16-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601- 12/12/23

EMERGENCY/AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen and Pittman

Phillip Peterson explained the request for the emergency and explained the amendment.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct account codes and amounts**
- 2. Authorize part time hours and attach RC as new Exhibit**

- **City will be required to provide a Priority Climate Action Plan by March 1, 2024 and Comprehensive Climate Action Plan by September 5, 2025**
- **Grant period ends August 31, 2027**
- **No City match is required**
- **Additional related grant funding is anticipated to be available in the future**
- **The nature of the emergency is the limited time to complete phase one of the grant in order to qualify for second phase funding**

24. [2023-0840](#) RESO Auth the Granting of a Non-Residential Solid Waste Collection & Transportation Franchise to Five Talent Services, LLC d/b/a Mobiledumps of Jacksonville Pursuant to Ch 380 (Solid Waste Management), Pt 6 (Nonresidential Solid Waste Collection & Transportation Franchise), Ord Code; Prov for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Solid Waste Div (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
11/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
12/4/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/5/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/5/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/12/23 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer

READ 2ND & REREFER

25. [2023-0847-E](#) ORD Approp \$14,790,000, Consisting of \$3,799,785.50 From the General Fund Mayor's Task Force Contingency Acct, \$9,440,214.50 From the American Rescue Plan Fund Mayor's Task Force Contingency Acct, & \$1,300,000 From KHA's Preteen & Teen Progs For the Mayor's Youth-at-Work Partnership Prog, to Fund Several Mayor's Task Force Progs & Initiatives as Follows: (1) \$5,370,000 for Youth & Families Which Includes \$1,900,000 to Afterschool & Summer Literacy Prog Expansion, \$1,950,000 to Multi-layer Literacy Prog, \$100,000 to Youth Artists Prog, \$170,000 to Youth Civic Engagement, & \$1,250,000 to Mayor's Youth At-Work Partnership, (2) \$1,000,000 For Progs for the American Dream to Include Local Stack Funding for Attainable Housing Community Partners & Non-Profits (3) \$2,900,000 for Addressing Homelessness Which Includes \$2,000,000 to Emergency Rental & Eviction Prevention, \$500,000 to Permanent Supportive Housing Pilot Prog, \$200,000 to Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund, & \$200,000 to Homelessness Continuum of Care Bonus Match, (4) \$3,010,000 for a Healthier Jax Which Includes \$250,000 to Infant Mortality & Maternal Health Initiative, \$70,000 to Primary Care & Wrap Around Service Access Initiative, \$430,000 to Pediatric Mental Health Support, \$2,210,000 to Elderly Food Insecurity Relief Fund, & \$160,000 to Mental Health 'Train the Trainer' Fund, (5) \$100,000 for Accessible Duval to Host a Community Open House for Non-Profits as Part of the "Accessible Duval" Initiative, (6) \$1,300,000 to Mayor's Youth at Work Prog, (7) \$110,000 to General Fund Operating Reserves & (8) \$1,000,000 to the Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund; Amend the Revised Schedule M to Ord 2023-511-E; Prov for Carryover of Funds Through 9/30/25; 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 Ability Housing, Inc. For the Provision of Srvcs For the Permanent Supportive Housing Pilot Prog; 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 Direct Contract with Ability Housing; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on Behalf of the City an Agrmt Btwn the City & Ability Housing; Prov for Oversight be Contracts Compliance Div of the Finance & Admin Dept; Providing for Compliance With Applicable ARP Act Grant Funding Requirements; Providing for Reporting; Requiring City Council Apvl of Substantial Changes; Req 1-Cycle Emergency Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Salem)
- 11/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 12/4/23 NCSPHS Emergency/Amend(2x)/Approve 4-0-1 (Clark-Murray)
 12/4/23 R Emergency/Amend (7x)/Approve 5-0-1 (Amaro)
 12/5/23 F Emergency/Amend (7x)/Approve 5-0-2 (Carrico, Pittman)
 12/12/23 CO Emergency/Amend (9x)/Approve 13-0-4 (Amaro, Carrico, Clark-Murray, Pittman)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 12/12/23

EMERGENCY/AMEND(7X)/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Howland, White, Arias, Gaffney Jr. and Lahnen

Abstain: 2 - Carrico and Pittman

• **A one cycle emergency has been requested in order to keep this legislation on the same cycle as the other bills related to the Mayor's Task Force programs and initiatives (2023-807 and 2023-808)**

NCSPHS AMENDMENTS

1. a. Place revised Task Force Initiatives Summary on file to correct proposed guidelines for the Mental Health Train the Trainer Program

b. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct account codes

c. Swap the use of ARP dollars that could result in the return of funds and use General Fund dollars for these programs instead

d. Include provision requiring Council approval for any substantial changes to the program scope,

criteria and guidelines included in the Task Force Initiatives Summary (On File document)

2-6. See separate handout for additional amendments

RULES AMENDMENT

See separate handout for amendment

CMs Carrico and Pittman announced that they would be abstaining from discussion and vote on the bill due to potential conflicts with their employers possibly applying for these funds. Mary Staffopoulos explained the need for the emergency, which was approved. She then reviewed each of the amendments approved in the previous committees. The item listed on the handout as NCSPHS amendment #2 (Salem amendment #1 making changes in the Permanent Supportive Housing Pilot Program) was approved. The items listed on the handout as NCSPHS amendments #3 (Miller #2 re: the Infant Mortality & Maternal Health Initiative), #4 (Miller #4 re: a reporting requirement for new programs/initiatives), #5 (Arias #2 re: deletion of the Non-Congregate Shelter Initiative and reallocation of \$200,000 to the Homelessness Prevention Special Revenue Fund) and #6 (Howland #1 re: reduced funding for the Mental Health Train the Trainer Fund), which were not discussed by the NCSPHS Committee but were approved by the Rules Committee as its amendments #1, 2, 3, 4, were discussed. Also approved was the item listed on the handout as proposed Rules Amendment #7 (J. Carlucci #2 re: a reduction of funding for the Local Stack Program)) which was actually approved by Rules as its amendment #5 was also approved by Finance. Because some of the amendments were not approved unanimously, they were not rolled into the single Finance amendment.

Chairman Howland thanked the committee members for their good work on the Mayor's transition team bills and said his understanding is that those bills will require a 2/3 vote next Tuesday due to the use of funds from contingency accounts.

FY21-22 financial audit report - Carr, Riggs and Ingram

Summer Weinhardt with CRI said the firm issued an unmodified (good) opinion on the audit. Process improvements are being made by the City and the audit timeline should be quicker next year. CM Lahnen asked about the City's reserve funds – Council Auditor Kim Taylor said the operating reserve stands at \$316.7M and the emergency reserve at \$66.3M. Chairman Howland asked if individual council members could contact CRI with any questions; Ms. Weinhardt said they are always available to answer questions and discuss the audit.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, January 3, 2024.

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

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