

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

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: Scott Wilson*

Meeting Convened: 9:32 a.m.**Meeting Adjourned: 12:02 p.m.**

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 President Salem (2023-869, 2023-870, & 2023-874), CM Matt Carlucci; Mary Staffopoulos, Chris Garrett – Office of General Counsel; Kim Taylor and Phillip Peterson – Council Auditor's office; Jeff Clements – Council Research Division; Sharonda Davis, Maritza Sanchez and Ivana Gavric – Legislative Services Division; Scott Wilson – Mayor's Office; Anna Brosche – Finance and Administration Department; Lori Boyer – Downtown Investment Authority

Chairman Howland convened the meeting and the attendees introduced themselves for the record. President Salem announced a noticed meeting next Thursday, January 25th, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. with the General Counsel to discuss his legal opinion on the removal of the Memorial to the Women of the Southland. Mr. Howland said today's meeting will begin with a presentation by Chief of Procurement Dustin Freeman of the required single source procurement award report, followed by the Council Auditor reports, then public comment. Following that, the following bills will be taken up out of order to accommodate the Council President - 2023-869, -870, -874 and 2024-42 – then the rest of the agenda in order.

Presentation by Procurement Division on single-source awards approved during first quarter FY 23/24

Dustin Freeman, Chief of Procurement, made the required quarterly report on single source procurements for the first quarter of FY23-24. He said the vast majority of single-source procurements were for normal on-going repairs, maintenance, supplies, software updates, and the like, with a small number of one-time, more unique requests. In response to a question from CM Gaffney Jr., Mr. Freeman explained the process by which a user agency requests and justifies a single-source procurement. CM Arias asked if City Council has any role in approving single-source procurements; Chairman Howland said it has not in the past, but this report is a new requirement to inform the Finance Committee about what is being procured to determine if any further interest or action is warranted. CM Arias asked what role the Procurement Division plays in vetting a user department's request and estimated cost. Mr. Freeman said his division does some of its own research on agency requests to help evaluate their justification of the need for a single source procurement.

President Salem asked about processing consulting services agreements as a single-source request. Mr. Freeman said it would follow the usual provisions of the Procurement Code. Chairman Howland said Ordinance 2023-871 would prohibit lobbying and grant writing contracts from being done as a single source procurement without Council approval. That bill is on the Finance agenda for action today.

CM Pittman asked about equipment maintenance costs and single-source repair work. Mr. Freeman said often there is only one authorized dealer who works on a particular make of vehicle and the same applies to computer equipment. He has stopped the practice of multi-year single-source contracts and requires them to all be reevaluated annually.

Chairman Howland asked about the Memorial to the Women of the Confederacy removal contract with Acon Construction. Mr. Freeman said that was not a single-source award through the City so would not appear on this list.

Council Auditor Reports

Council Auditor Kim Taylor provided information on four recently released reports.

Report #726C - Follow-up on Municipal Code Compliance Division Revenue Audit: 12 issues were identified in the original audit, 2 remain after the 3rd follow-up: getting all payments made to the Tax Collector rather than the Code Compliance Division office (including timeliness of deposit of payments); and excess computer access rights. The division has terminated access rights when an employee leaves the city, but not when there are inter-departmental transfers.

Report #875 - Sheriff's Investigative Fund Fiscal Year 2018/19: this report and the two following are required annual attestations, not audits. One internal control weakness was identified regarding the return and reconciliation of cash used in undercover operations, which was resolved in the subsequent years as noted in the following reports:

Report #876 - Sheriff's Investigative Fund Fiscal Year 2019/20

Report #877 - Sheriff's Investigative Fund Fiscal Year 2020/21

Public Comment

Carnell Oliver referenced Ordinance 2023-46 saying there is a separation of powers for good reason and this ordinance appears to be infringing on that as part of a “culture war”. There are other more important issues that need addressing than this.

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. [2023-0621](#) 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

3. [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
 1/16/24 R Amend/Approve 6-0
 1/17/24 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 10/24/23

AMEND/APPROVE

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

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. CM Carrico asked DIA CEO Lori Boyer to explain the DIA board's rationale for seeking a 2/3 vote requirement for the City Council to override a recommendation of the DIA, which she provided. Chairman Howland cautioned against reducing the authority of the City Council and supported the Rules Committee amendment's removal of the 2/3 vote requirement.

RULES AMENDMENT

1. Correct bill title to include amendment of Code Sec. 55.108 (Powers and Duties)
2. Correct title of Section 1 to include amendment of Sections 55.106 (Definitions), 55.108 (Powers and Duties), and 55.112 (Project and Program Funding)
3. Include project ROI within DIA funding commitment summary
4. Pg. 14, lines 11-12: strike "DIA boundary area" and insert "Downtown"
5. Correct scrivener's errors
6. Remove requirement for a 2/3 vote of Council to approve an incentive package or redevelopment agreement following DIA denial or to approve a funding amount greater than that approved by DIA

- Revises Ch. 55 (Downtown Investment Authority) to differentiate the Downtown Investment Authority's powers and duties as the Community Redevelopment Agency for downtown versus the public economic development agency for downtown
- Adds requirement that a 2/3 vote of Council is required to approve an incentive package or redevelopment agreement following a DIA recommendation of denial or to approve a funding amount greater than that authorized by the DIA
- Codifies the Downtown Economic Development Fund within Ch. 55

4. [2023-0862](#) ORD Approp \$70,000 From a Designated Contingency Acct to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct to Prov Funding to the Human Collective Foundation, Inc. (HCF), for the Human Collective Awareness 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 HCF; 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 HCF; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute...(Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Arias) (Co-Sponsors CMs Freeman, Amaro, Howland, White, Carrico, Gaffney, Jr., Lahnen & Pittman)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 1/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
 1/16/24 R Approve 6-0
 1/17/24 F Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 1/10/24

APPROVE

CM Arias noted that this request was on the list of budget enhancements considered at the budget hearing wrap-up session last autumn. CMs Carrico, White, Gaffney, Pittman, Lahnen, White asked to be added as co-sponsors.

- **Appropriates \$70,000 from a designated contingency account that was established as part of the FY 23/24 budget process to provide funding to the Human Collective Foundation Inc.**
- **Funding will be used to host a social work appreciation/mental health awareness event and a human trafficking awareness event**
- **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 Human Collective Foundation for two awareness events**

5. [2023-0864](#) ORD Approp \$150,001 From Gain-Loss on Sale of Real Estate Within Fund 32103 - Jax Recreation & Environmental Land Acquisition Fund to the PRSC Parks & Recreation Capital Projs - Parks & Recreation/Parks QOL - Lift Ev'ry Voice & Sing Park Proj Per Ord 2021-496-E for Parks, Recreation, & Community Svcs Dept, Purpose of Approp; Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by the Ord 2023-505-E to Reflect This Approp of Funds to the Lift Ev'ry Voice & Sing Park Proj; Prov for Oversight by Parks, Recreation, & Community Svcs Dept (B.T. 24-032) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Peluso, Boylan & Carlucci)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, TEU
 1/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
 1/16/24 R Amend/Approve 6-0
 1/17/24 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 1/17/24 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/10/24

AMEND/APPROVE

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

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment.

AMENDMENT

1. **Strike language regarding excess funds on pg. 2, lines 19-23**
2. **Attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct project number**
3. **Correct scrivener's errors**

• **Appropriates funding received from Johnson Commons LLC, the developer of the LaVilla townhomes project, for improvements to Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing Park pursuant to the redevelopment agreement approved by Ord. 2021-496-E**

6. [2023-0865](#) ORD Approp Grant Funds in the Amount of \$899,660.00 from the U.S. DOJ, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the 4th Judicial Circuit of FL, Veterans Treatment Court (VTC) Progs, to Fund the Enhancement of the VTC Progs, for the Grant Term Beginning 10/1/23 thru 9/30/27; Prov for Carryover of Funds thru 9/30/27; Prov for City Oversight by the Court Admin, Dir of Problem Solving Courts (B.T. 24-031) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Clark-Murray, Miller, Lahnen, Johnson, White, Freeman, Amaro, Gaffney, Jr., Carrico, Arias, Howland & Salem)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 1/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 R Approve 6-0
 1/17/24 F Approve 8-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/10/24

APPROVE

Fourth Judicial Circuit Court Chief Judge Lance Day described the grants and the important programs they support. CMs Gafney, Carrico, Arias, White and Howland asked to be added as co-sponsors. CM Pittman asked about the participation rate and evaluation process for determining success; Judge Day said there are about 200 participants in each program. Judges volunteer to serve in these programs and provide individualized counseling and service to the participants.

Scrivener's

Pg. 2, lines 7 and 24: strike "Brian" and insert "Brain"

- **Appropriates a \$899,660 grant from the Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs for the Veterans Treatment Court program for the period of 10/1/23 - 9/30/27**
- **No City match is required**
- **An estimated 200 veterans in Duval, Clay, and Nassau Counties will be served during the 4-year grant period**

7. [2023-0866](#) ORD Approp \$399,353.00 in Grant Funding for Yr 1 of a 5-Yr Grant from the U.S. Dept of Health & Human Svcs for the Duval County Adult Drug Court Prog; Prov for Carryover of Funds to Subsequent FYs; Prov for City Oversight by the Court Admin, Dir of Problem Solving Courts (B.T. 24-030) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CMs Clark-Murray, Johnson, Salem, Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney, Jr., Lahnen & Pittman)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 1/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 R Approve 6-0
 1/17/24 F Approve 8-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/10/24

APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen, Pittman and Salem

Judge Day said this is the drug court for non-veterans, using a different funding source. All committee members and President Salem asked to be added as co-sponsors.

- **Appropriates \$399,353 in grant funding for year one of a five-year grant from the Department of Health and Human Services for the Duval County Adult Drug Court program**
- **No City match is required**
- **The grant funds will be used to provide services to 50 participants annually**

8. [2023-0867](#) ORD Approp a \$67,340.00 Grant from the EPA Pursuant to the Clean Air Act to Provide Funding for the Purchase of New Air Monitoring Equipment for Particulate Matter & Ozone Concentrations; Purpose of Approp; Prov for Oversight & Reporting by the Neighborhoods Dept, Environmental Quality Div (B.T. 24-028) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Carlucci)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
 1/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
 1/17/24 F Approve 7-0
 1/17/24 TEU Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/10/24

APPROVE

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

In response to a question from CM Pittman, Melissa Long of the Environmental Quality Division described where the monitoring sites are located and the need for backup equipment to ensure continuous data monitoring and reporting. Ms. Pittman asked to speak to Ms. Long privately about addressing an offensive smell in a neighborhood, apparently from a manufacturing facility. Chairman Howland asked a hypothetical question about whether this appropriation would have been required if the EPA grant took the form of an in-kind donation of the equipment rather than a cash grant.

• **Funds will be used to replace existing reserve units**

9. [2023-0868](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, That Certain Revocable Permit & Hold Harmless Agrmt Btwn the City, JU, & OCEARCH for the Use of a City Owned Dock Facility in the Mayport Community on Submerged Lands Leased Pursuant to the Sovereignty Submerged Lands Lease (BOT File # 160359172) Auth by Ord 2022-215-E, for the Docking of Vessels Used for Research & Educational Purposes...(Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsors CMs Amaro, Clark-Murray, Carlucci, Peluso, Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney, Jr., Lahnen, Pittman, Salem & Miller) (JWC Apv)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU, JWC
 1/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
 1/17/24 F Approve 7-0
 1/17/24 TEU Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/10/24

APPROVE

CM Carrico expressed his support for the legislation and all committee members asked to be added as co-sponsors.

- **Permit will provide JU/Ocearch with primary use of the Fixed Dock**
- **General public will have access to the Floating Dock**
- **Initial term of permit is 30 years, but can be terminated by City with 180 day prior notice**
- **City is currently responsible for paying \$4,960 annually for submerged land lease of the area**

10. [2023-0869](#) ORD Approp \$1,500,000.00 from TDC Fund Balance to Provide Add'l Funding to Jacksonville & the Beaches Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc. D/B/A "Visit Jacksonville" to Increase Substantially the City's Investment in the Promotion of Sports Tourism to the City; Apv & Auth the Mayor & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, Amdts to the Existing Sports Tourism Contract Btwn the City & Visit Jacksonville to Reflect Such Add'l Funding & Other Changes as May Be Necessary, Provided the TDC Shall First Apv the Terms Thereof; Amend Rev Schedule W to Ord 2023-504-E; Prov for Oversight by TDC (Wilson) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsors CMs Carrico, Lahnen, Pittman, Arias & White)
12/12/23 CO Introduced: F
1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Amend/Approve 8-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/10/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen, Pittman and Salem

Mary Staffopoulos explained a proposed amendment by Council President Salem, which includes new “whereas” clause language referencing support for creation of a non-profit entity separate from the City to further the mission of sports promotion. President Salem noted that there was previously a City sports commission that was bound by Government in the Sunshine regulations that made taking action sometimes cumbersome. CM Pittman asked about a proposed board and budget for such an entity. Mr. Salem said the Mayor and her administration, the Tourist Development Council, and Visit Jacksonville Inc. are all very supportive of this effort. The Salem amendment was approved unanimously.

Michael Corrigan, President and CEO of Visit Jacksonville, said his agency doesn’t yet have any estimates of the economic benefit of new events. They are looking at hosting the NCAA Division II Festival that would hold D-II championship tournaments/events in 6 sports simultaneously in a host city. CM Pittman urged the recruitment of and better publicity for HBCU (historically Black colleges and universities) sports events. In response to a question from CM Arias, Mr. Corrigan said that Visit Jax got a single \$350,000 allocation for sports promotion from the TDC several years ago and this would be the first addition to that. They will leverage the City’s existing special events staff. CM Gaffney Jr. asked how the amount of \$1.5M was determined. President Salem said it was a consensus of the TDC and Visit Jax. He hopes that board members of the new entity, to be appointed by the Mayor and Council, will be able to attract additional private funding sources. CM Carrico asked who would attempt to attract a College Football Championship game; Mr. Corrigan said it would need to be a joint effort of the Gator Bowl Association, the Jacksonville Jaguars, and the new entity. Mr. Carrico suggested devoting attention to youth sports as well. CMs Carrico, Lahnen, Pittman, Arias, and White asked to be added as co-sponsors.

CM Arias asked who Jacksonville’s primary competitors are for sporting events. Mr. Corrigan said Charlotte, Tulsa, Nashville, and Gainesville are similar markets and those cities typically have budgets of \$2-3M for this type of promotional activity. Mr. Howland asked if some events have already been targeted so that we can start getting an immediate return on investment. Mr. Corrigan said yes, and all funds will be expended on a reimbursement basis. They could bid on as many as 20 events as soon as the funding is approved, which would then occur over the next several years. This recruitment effort would especially help to replace the economic impact that will be lost when the Jaguars are not playing in Jacksonville during the time when the stadium is under reconstruction.

FINANCE AMENDMENT

1. Include whereas clauses supporting the creation of a Sports Foundation in Jacksonville for the purpose of securing and promoting sports tourism events in Jacksonville

- **Funding will be added to current Sports Tourism contract with Visit Jacksonville**
- **Specific terms of any amendment to the current contract must be approved by the Tourist Development Council**

11. [2023-0870](#) ORD-MC Concerning the City of Jax Emergency Reserve; Approp \$20,000,000 from the City's General Fund/General Svcs Dist Operating Reserve to the Emergency Reserve to Increase the Total Emergency Reserve Balance to 7% of the City's General Fund/General Svcs Dist Operating Budget to Meet the New Financial Planning Target of 7-10% for the Emergency Reserve as Provided for Herein; Amend Secs 106.106 (Balanced Budget & Budget Stabilization Reserve), & 106.107 (Emergency Reserve Policy & Fund), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 106 (Budget & Accounting Code), Ord Code, to Increase the Financial Planning Target for the City's Emergency Reserve to 7-10%; Prov Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsors CMs Howland, Freeman, Carrico, Lahnen, Arias, Pittman, Gaffney, Jr. & White)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 1/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 R Amend/Approve 6-0
 1/17/24 F Amend/Approve 8-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/10/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen, Pittman and Salem

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. President Salem explained the rationale for bolstering the City's emergency reserves by moving funds from the General Reserve to the Emergency Reserve. He said the administration is in full support of the bill. CMs Carrico, Lahnen, Arias, Pittman, White, Gaffney asked to be added as co-sponsors. CM Lahnen asked for additional information at a later date on how the Emergency Reserve is invested.

AMENDMENT

1. Pg. 3, line 2: insert "traditional" before "cash" to mirror current Code language
2. Attach revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to include complete exhibit

- Amends the Ordinance Code to increase the targeted funding level of the Emergency Reserve from 5-7% to 7-10% of the General Fund budget
- Appropriates \$20 million from General Fund Operating Reserves to increase the funding level of the Emergency Reserve to approximately 7.09% of the General Fund budget
- The unaudited balance of the Emergency Reserve as of 9/30/23 is \$95.0 million

12. [2023-0871](#) ORD-MC Creating a New Sec 126.318 (Selection Procedures for Federal & State Lobbying & Grant Writing Professional Services Contracts), Pt 3 (Professional Services Contracts), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code; Prospectively Amend Subpt C (Procurement Methods & Procedures), Pt 3 (Procurement Thresholds, Modes, Methods, & Procedures), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code; Estab a Prospective Date of 7/1/24, for the Code Amendmts Contained in Sec 2 of this Ord to Become Effective (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Howland) (Co-Sponsors CMs Freeman, Miller, Arias, Carrico & White)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 1/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 R Amend/Approve 5-1 (Johnson)
 1/17/24 F Amend/Approve 6-1 (Gaffney, Jr)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 1/10/24

AMEND/APPROVE

- Aye:** 6 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Lahnen and Pittman
Nay: 1 - Gaffney Jr.

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Chairman Howland noted that this bill is one of several filed to tighten up procedures regarding single-source procurements and council authority over contracts. CM Matt Carlucci cautioned that there will come a day when a consultant is needed on a very short time frame to address an emergency issue and asked if there is any provision for that to happen quickly without Council approval. Mr. Howland said the Council could act via an emergency action if necessary and typically the City will already have a lobbyist under contract to handle that type of issue. CM Gaffney Jr. asked for the administration's reaction to the bill. Scott Wilson said the administration did a single-source procurement for consulting and grant writing as a one-time event at the start of their administration in order to get processes moving quickly but have no intention to do future procurements without the normal competitive process. An RFP for lobbying for next year is already being developed. He cautioned that this requirement might slow down efforts to respond in the event of an emergency. In response to a question from CM Pittman, CM Matt Carlucci said there have been previous instances of mayors needing to hire a lobbyist on very short notice to address emergency issues in the state legislature which moves on a very fast timeline late in the session.

CM Pittman cautioned against doing anything that could hamper the City's ability to get grants if opportunities arise on short notice. Chairman Howland reiterated that his primary goal is transparency in the process and said speed is not an issue. He said the City almost always has lobbyists and grant writers under contract who could do whatever needs to be done. CMs Carrico, Arias, and White asked to be added as co-sponsors. CM Gaffney Jr. said the Council has the ability to obstruct a mayor's ability to act by delay and inaction and that is probably a concern of the mayor. CM Matt Carlucci said he would be doing some research on occasions in the past where speed was of the essence and a single-source methodology was utilized. Scott Wilson said the administration used the standard transparent process to hire its lobbyist. Dustin Freeman, Chief of Procurement, described the single-source process utilized, which involves a protest period and a hearing by the Awards Committee. Mr. Freeman asked for clarification about how the process would work if the ordinance passes, and Mr. Peterson explained the new requirement for Council approval. The amendment was approved.

RULES AMENDMENT

- 1. Revise references from "Federal and State" to "Federal or State"**
- 2. Revise references from "lobbying and grant writing" to "lobbying or grant writing"**

- Amends the City's Procurement Code to require City Council approval for all single-source or non-competitively awarded contracts for federal and state lobbying and grant writing professional services**
- City Council may accept, reject, or propose modifications to proposed contracts**

13. [2023-0874](#) ORD-MC Amend Ch 106 (Budget & Accounting Code), Ord Code; Amend Sec 106.103 (Definitions), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 106 (Budget & Accounting Code), Ord Code, & Sec 106.215 (Supplemental Appropriation & Revenue Reduction Limitations), Subpart A (Budgets & Budget Ordinances; Millage Levy), Pt 2 (Budgets), Ch 106 (Budget & Accounting Code), Ord Code, to Amend the Definition of Reserve or Reserve Fund to Include Contingencies & To Clarify the Number of Votes Required for Appropriations from General Fund Operating Reserves or Its Various Contingencies; Prov Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Salem)
 12/12/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 1/2/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
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 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/10/24

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen, Pittman and Salem

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. President Salem said this language reflects an opinion from the General Counsel that a 2/3 vote is required to appropriate funds from “below the line” in contingency funds. In response to a question from CM Pittman, Ms. Staffopoulos listed several funds that are specifically excluded from the 2/3 vote requirement.

AMENDMENT

Clarify two-thirds vote required for appropriation from contingencies in any Fund

- **Revises the definition of “Reserve” in Ordinance Code Ch. 106 (Budget and Accounting Code) to include “contingency”**
- **Clarifies that the vote on appropriations from General Fund Operating Reserves or various contingencies requires approval of two-thirds of Council Members present and counted for purposes of determining a quorum, regardless of any voting abstentions**

14. [2023-0875](#) ORD Declaring the Public Necessity for Acquiring Fee Simple Title & Temp Construction Easements Through Condemnation by Right of Eminent Domain to Certain Real Property in Council Dist 4, Such Real Property Being a Portion of: R.E. # 152854-0505; R.E. # 152866-1300; R.E. # 152854-0550; & R.E. # 152576-0250, With a Total Appraised Value of \$1,115,950, as Required for the Belfort Rd Widening Proj; Approp \$1,300,000 from Belfort Rd Widening/DM Other Construction Costs to DM R/W Acquisition to Fund the Purchase of Certain Real Property Described Herein for the Belfort Rd Widening Proj, Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2023-505-E to Include a Funding Source for Land Acquisition & Site Preparation to the Proj; Auth the Real Estate Div of the Dept of Public Works to Make Offers & Negotiate for the Purchase of the Properties; Auth Issuance of a Declaration of Taking; Auth & Directing OGC to Institute Appropriate Condemnation Proceedings (B.T. 24-029) (Boeckman) (Req of Mayor)
- 12/12/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
 1/2/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/3/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/10/24 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
 1/17/24 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 1/17/24 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0
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AMEND/APPROVE

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

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. CM Carrico advocated for the bill and said he had questions for the Real Estate Division that he would pursue in a private meeting.

AMENDMENT

Attach Revised Exhibit 2 to correctly identify listing of properties

- **Authorizes the Chief of the Real Estate Division to make offers and negotiate with 4 property owners for the purchase of 4 fee simple titles and 3 temporary easements, not to exceed the appraised value**
- **The Office of General Counsel is authorized to institute appropriate legal proceedings to acquire these properties by condemnation if negotiations are unsuccessful**
- **Proposed project funding was budgeted in FY 22/23**

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15. [2024-0026](#) ORD Approp \$3,500,000.00, from the Gen Fund - Fund Balance to Fund the City Closing Fund Grant to Fidelity National Information Services, Inc., as Previously Authorized by Reso 2019-596-A (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: F
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/23/24

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16. [2024-0027](#) ORD Approp \$134,615.00 in Grant Funding from the U.S. DOJ, Office of Justice Progs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, to Fund the Purchase of Locative Tracking Devices & Related Supplies; Prov for Oversight by JSO (B.T. 24-034) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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17. [2024-0028](#) ORD Approp \$98,005.00 from Available Revenue Balance in the Domestic Battery Surcharge Trust Fund to Estab the FY 23-24 Operating Budget for the Fund & to Provide Add'l Training to Law Enforcement Personnel in Combating Domestic Violence (B.T. 24-035) (Dillard) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/23/24

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18. [2024-0029](#) ORD Approp Grant Funds in the Amount of \$249,953.00 from the U.S. DOJ, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), to Fund the Expansion of the Integrating Communications, Assessment, & Tactics (ICAT) Course Including the Purchase of Virtual Reality Equipment & Other Related Expenses; Prov for City Oversight by JSO (B.T. 24-036) (Dillard) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsor CM Miller)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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19. [2024-0030](#) ORD Approp \$11,424,000.00 in Grant Funds from the FL Dept of Environmental Protection (FDEP) to Provide Funding for the Northbank Riverwalk - Northbank Bulkhead Proj; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City an Agrmt btwn the City & FDEP Re the Proj; Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2023-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds; Prov for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Engineering & Construction Mgmt Div (B.T. 24-042) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray) (JWC Apv)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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20. [2024-0031](#) ORD Approp \$229,962.47, in Grant Funds Awarded by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission Through the FL Dept of State, Div of Elections, to Provide Reimbursement to the City for the Costs of Purchasing Goods &/or Svcs for Voting Technology Upgrades or Enhancements; Prov for Carryover of Funds; Prov Oversight by SOE (B.T. 24-022) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: R, F
1/16/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/23/24

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21. [2024-0032](#) ORD Approp \$1,139,658.14 (\$1,100,000.00 from the Traffic Signalization - Countywide Proj & \$39,658.14 from the Countywide Intersection Imp - Intersection Proj) to the Projs Titled Monument Rd at Regency Square Blvd Intersection & ITS Improvements, Arlington Rd at Oakwood Dr Intersection Improvements & St. Johns Bluff at Bahia/Theresa Intersection Improvements; Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by ORD 2023-505-E to Reflect this Approp of Funds to the Projs (B.T. 24-038) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: R, F, TEU
1/16/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/23/24

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22. [2024-0033](#) ORD Approp \$2,500,000.00 from the Northbank Riverwalk - Northbank Bulkhead Proj to the Southbank Bulkhead Proj to Pay for Increased Construction Costs; Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by ORD 2023-505-E to Transfer Funding to the Southbank Bulkhead Proj (B.T. 24-041) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray) (JWC Apv)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/23/24

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23. [2024-0034](#) ORD Approp \$508,030.00 in Grant Funding from FEMA Funded Through the Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Prog, Through the FL Div of Emergency Mgmt (FDEM), to Fund the Acquisition of Property Located at 5123 Martha Ann Dr, Jax, FL 32207 (RE # 133973-0140) & the Demolition of the Residential Structure Located Thereon; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec, to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City That Certain Federally-Funded Subaward & Grant Agrmt # B0205 btwn the City & FDEM; Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by ORD 2023-505-E to Provide Funding for the Proj Entitled "Acquisition & Demo of a Floodprone Property - Martha Ann Drive"; Prov for Oversight by JFRD, Emergency Preparedness Div (B.T. 24-040) (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
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24. [2024-0035](#) ORD re the Agrmt btwn the City & United Way of Northeast Florida, Inc. for the Eviction Diversion Prog; Waiving Sec 110.112 (Advance of City Funds; Prohibition Against), Pt 1 (The City Treasury), Ch 110 (City Treasury), Ord Code, to Allow for a Partial Advance Payment of \$500,000 to United Way; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Amendment to the Agrmt btwn the City & United Way for the Eviction Diversion Prog Originally Appvd by Ord 2023-803-E to Provide for Partial Advance Payment; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Boylan) (Co-Sponsors CMs Johnson, Clark-Murray, Gaffney, Jr. & Pittman)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
1/16/24 NCSPHS Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0
1/16/24 R Emergency/Amend/Approve 6-0
1/17/24 F Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0
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EMERGENCY/AMEND/APPROVE

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

Phillip Peterson explained the request for the emergency and the amendment. CMs Gaffney and Pittman asked to be added as co-sponsors. In response to a question from CM Carrico, Mary Staffopoulos explained the United Way's request to have a substantial amount of the funding in advance to allow them to act before eviction lawsuits are filed to take remedial actions to keep the cases out of the court system.

NCSPHS AMENDMENT

- 1. Include waiver of Code Sec. 118.201(f)(7) in order to authorize the advance payment**
- 2. Include waiver of Code Sec. 118.301(a)(3) to allow funding to be used for appropriate court fees**

- **Waives Code Sec. 110.112 (Advance of City Funds; prohibition against) to allow for an advance payment of up to \$500,000 to the United Way for the Eviction Diversion program that was originally approved by Ord. 2023-803-E**
- **A one cycle emergency has been requested because the advance of funds will allow United Way to have funds on hand to meet tight deadlines many of the eligible recipients will be required to meet in order to remain in their homes**

25. [2024-0036](#) ORD Apv & Auth the CEO of DIA, or Her Desig, to Execute a Redev Agrmt btwn the DIA & Creekside at Timuquana LLC, to Support the Renovation & Rehab by Developer of a Historic Bldg Located at 208 N. Laura Street; Auth 3 DPRP Loans, in an Aggregate Amt not to Exceed \$4,969,900.00, to the Developer in Connection with the Proj, to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Designating DIA as Contract Monitor for the Redev Agrmt; Prov for Oversight of the Proj by DIA; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Redev Agrmt & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs; Prov a Deadline for Developer to Execute the Redev Agrmt (Dillard) (Req of DIA)
 1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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26. [2024-0037](#) ORD Apv & Auth the CEO of DIA, or Her Desig, to Execute a Redev Agrmt btwn the DIA & CLL Jones Bros LLC, to Support the Renovation & Rehab by Developer of a Historic Bldg Located at 520 N. Hogan St; Auth 3 DPRP Loans, in an Aggregate Amt not to Exceed \$6,033,500.00, to the Developer in Connection with the Proj, to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Designating DIA as Contract Monitor for the Redev Agrmt; Prov for Oversight of the Proj by DIA; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Redev Agrmt & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs; Prov a Deadline for Developer to Execute the Redev Agrmt (Dillard) (Req of DIA)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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27. [2024-0038](#) ORD Appropriating \$200,000 From a Designated Contingency Acct to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct to Prov Funding to Springfield Preservation & Revitalization Council, Inc. (SPAR), for the Springfield Cleanup Corps Prog Described Herein; Prov for Carryover 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 SPAR; 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 SPAR; Waiving Sec 118.602 (Responsibility), Pt 6 (Cultural Service Grant Program), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Auth Award of this Funding to SPAR in Addition to Cultural Service Grant Funding Awarded by the Cultural Council; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on behalf of the City an Agrmt btwn the City & SPAR For the Prog; Prov for Oversight by the Grants & Contracts Compliance Div of the Finance & Admin Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Miller)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/16/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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28. [2024-0040](#) ORD Prov Forgiveness to the Boselli Foundation, Inc., a FL Not-for-profit Corp, for Non-Compliance with the Reporting Requirements of Sec 118.201 (Release of Appropriations), Pt 2 (Disbursement of City Grants), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code; Auth the Council Auditor to Remove the Boselli Foundation from the Chapter 118 Non-Compliance List; Prov for City Oversight by the Office of Grants & Contract Compliance (Brown) (Introduced by CM Salem)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: R, F
1/16/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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29. [2024-0041](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 111.920 (Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund), Pt 9 (Neighborhood Development), Ch 111 (Special Revenue and Trust Accounts), Ord Code, to Prov for Funding of Homelessness Initiatives through Certain Economic Development Agrmt Incentives (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM J. Carlucci) (Co-Sponsor CM Carlucci)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/16/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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30. [2024-0042](#) ORD Approp \$9,002,100 From Gen Fund Operating Reserves to Pay for Maintenance & Repairs to the John E. Goode Pre-trial Detention Facility; Prov for Carryover to FY 24-25; Amend the 24-28 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2023-505-E to Prov Add'l Funding for the Pretrial Detention Facility - Maint & Upgrades Proj; Prov for Oversight by Public Works; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CMs Boylan & White) (Co-Sponsors CMs Freeman, Miller, Clark-Murray, Salem, Arias, Lahnen & Amaro)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/16/24 NCSPHS Emergency/Approve 8-0
1/17/24 F Emergency/Approve 8-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 1/23/24

EMERGENCY/APPROVE

Aye: 8 - Howland, White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney Jr., Lahnen, Pittman and Salem

Phillip Peterson explained the request for emergency action. President Salem explained that this bill resulted from the work of the Special Committee to Review JSO Primary Facilities and will be funded by savings from the Sheriff's FY22-23 budget. CM Arias asked how much time this will buy for the current jail; President Salem said he has heard 5 years. CM White said his working group heard many presentations from industry experts and developed a list of absolutely essential needs. CM Arias asked to be added as a co-sponsor. CM Gaffney Jr. asked for an update from the Special Committee on a site selection process and potential locations. CM Pittman asked how inmates will be relocated during the construction process and how this may integrate with preventive health care for inmates. JSO Chief of Corrections Kevin Goff said some of the repairs don't involve inmate movement, and they have room to move inmates to other dorms within the jail as work occurs. Mold remediation will be addressed in this appropriation. In response to a question from CM Carrico, CM Matt Carlucci recounted the history of the name of the John Goode Pre-Trial Detention Center. Mr. Goode had a law enforcement background and was a City Council member who was heavily involved in the construction of the current facility.

• A one cycle emergency has been requested because the repairs funded through this appropriation are necessary to address immediate health and safety concerns at the Jail

31. [2024-0043](#) ORD Approp \$75,000 From a Designated Contingency Acct Within the Gen Fund to the Subsidies & Contributions to Private Orgs Acct Within the KHA Fund to Prov Funding to Elevate Jax Inc. for the Elevate Jacksonville at Westside High School Prog Described Herein; Amend the 3rd Revised Schedule M to Ord 2023-511-E; 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 Elevate Jax; Waiving the Requirements of Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ch 77 (Kids Hope Alliance), Ord Code, to Exempt the Svc to be Provided by Elevate Jax From Competitive Procurement; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or Her Desig, & the Corp Sec, &/or the CEO of KHA to Execute & Deliver an Agrmt btwn the City or KHA & Elevate Jax for the Prog (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carrico) (Co-Sponsors CMs Freeman & Miller)
- 1/10/24 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 1/16/24 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/16/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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32. [2024-0045](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 112.307 (Claims & Suits Brought Against the City for Monetary Relief), Pt 3 (Settlement of Claims & Suits by & Against City), Ch 112 (Claims by & Against City), Ord Code, & Sec 128.313 (Settlement of Claims), Subpt C (Settlement & Special Counsel), Pt 3 (Self-insurance Program), Ch 128 (Risk Management Program), Ord Code, to Require Notice to & Appvl by Any Constitutional Officer of Any Settlement of Claims Brought Against Such Individual, Their Agency or Any of Their Employees for Whom Coverage is Provided Pursuant to Sec 128.104, Ord Code, or for Which Settlement is Auth Pursuant to Sec 112.307, Ord Code; Prov for Severability; Prov for Codification Instructions (Young) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsors CMs Howland, Miller, Arias, J. Carlucci & Amaro)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: R, F
1/16/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 1/23/24

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33. [2024-0046](#) ORD-MC Amend Ch 106 (Budget & Accounting Code), Pt 4 (Fiscal Management), Subpt E (Miscellaneous Provisions), Sec 106.441 (Acceptance of Gifts, Donations, Etc.) Ord Code, to Limit the Use of Monetary & In-Kind Gifts or Donations for Capital Improvement Projs & Any Other Purposes Without Council Approp; Amend Ch 113 (Gifts to City), Ord Code, Pt 1 (Major Monetary Donations), Secs 113.101 (Scope) & 113.102 (Acceptance), & Part 2 (Non-major Monetary Donations), Secs 113.201 (Scope) & 113.202 (Acceptance), Ord Code, to Include In-Kind Donation of Goods or Svcs & Require City Council Approp; Prov Codification Instructions (Teal) (Introduced by CMs Salem, Gay, Howland, Miller & White)
1/10/24 CO Introduced: R, F
1/16/24 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/17/24 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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READ 2ND & REREFER**City Council Strategic Planning Process**

Chairman Howland noted that the allocation available for the City Council's strategic plan priorities will be \$8.8M for FY24-25, with \$5M going to a reserve fund for future stadium construction and the remainder (\$200,000 per CM) going to council member-specific projects, some of which could be citywide issues. Requests are due by noon on January 25th, to be submitted to Mary Staffopoulos in the General Counsel's Office and to Council Auditor Kim Taylor. The Finance Committee will vote on its proposed priority listing at its February 6th meeting.

CM Carlucci said he will ask Ms. Staffopoulos to draft an emergency ordinance to move the \$500,000 previously allocated "below the line" for a homeowner emergency roof replacement program "above the line" for immediate expenditure given the tremendous demand for the program in the first half-hour of its availability. Phillip Peterson said the amount is actually \$400,000 and it was moved to Operating Reserves and is no longer "below the line", so would need to be appropriated from the Operating Reserve for use. CMs Carrico and Arias said that having a number of people on a waiting list does not constitute an emergency and they wanted to see the pilot program operate and produce results before deciding on the next step. In response to a question from CM Pittman, Phillip Peterson said the maximum amount of each grant is \$15,000 which means that 36 homeowners getting the maximum grant would exhaust the \$546,000 already made available for use. CM Pittman said this week's experience shows that the need is tremendous and the \$946,000 was inadequate to meet the need.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, February 6, 2024.

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

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