

# City of Jacksonville

117 W Duval St  
Jacksonville, FL 32202



## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

9:30 AM

Virtual Meeting

## Finance Committee

*Aaron Bowman, Chair*  
*LeAnna Cumber, Vice Chair*  
*Randy DeFoor*  
*Terrance Freeman*  
*Tommy Hazouri*  
*Ju'Coby Pittman*  
*Ron Salem, Pharm. D.*

*Legislative Assistant: Sharonda Davis*  
*Legislative Assistant: Ladayija Nichols*  
*Council Auditor: Kyle Billy*  
*Chief of Research: Jeff Clements*  
*Deputy General Counsel: Peggy Sidman*  
*Administration: Rachel Zimmer*  
*Asst. Council Auditor: Kim Taylor*

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purposes, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

**Meeting Convened: 9:30 AM**

**Meeting Adjourned: 11:23AM**

**Discussion on external auditor selection:**

Heather Reber of the Council Auditor's Office discussed the external auditor selection process. The selection committee selected the firm of Carr, Riggs and Ingram (the City's current auditor) and negotiations have produced a contract that is ready to be filed with approval legislation. The audit fee was \$323,500 for FY19 and will be \$320,000 for FY20. Council Member Salem asked about his need to potentially abstain from voting on the independent auditor selection because the firm does his taxes and he has a relative employed with the firm. Deputy General Counsel Peggy Sidman said that members may only abstain from voting pursuant to the requirements of state law regarding a personal benefit accruing to that member as a result of the vote. She will discuss Mr. Salem's situation with him off-line. Chairman Bowman asked that the bill be filed tomorrow in the name of the Auditor Selection Committee (Bowman, Cumber, Freeman). Mr. Hazouri asked to be added as a co-sponsor. Mr. Reber explained that the new contract will be for 3 more years with 2 additional 1-year renewal options.

**Attendance: Council Members Aaron Bowman (Chair), LeAnna Cumber, Randy DeFoor, Terrance Freeman, Tommy Hazouri, Ju'Coby Pittman, Ron Salem**

**Also: Council Members Brenda Priestly Jackson, Garrett Dennis, Michael Boylan and Danny Becton; Cheryl Brown - Council Secretary/Director; Jeff Clements - Council Research Division; Peggy Sidman, Stephen Durden and Paige Johnston - Office of General Counsel; Steve Cassada, Eric Grantham and Melanie Wilkes - Council Support Services; Kirk Wendland - Office of Economic Development; Kyle Billy, Kim Taylor, Trista Carraher, Heather Reber and Phillip Peterson - Council Auditor's Office; John Pappas - Public Works Department; Joey Greive - Finance and Administration Department; Jim Overton and Sherry Hall - Tax Collector; Damian Cook - Grants and Compliance Office**

**NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, May 5, 2020.**

**Item/File No.**

**Title History**

1. [2019-0555](#) ORD Auth the Approp of \$1,725,422.19 in funding from the City's General Fund, General Svc. Dist. Fund Balance, in order to provide funding for the repayment by the City of funds received from the State of FL Dept of Environmental Protection, Pursuant to that certain land & water conservation Fund Agreement No.12-00182 btwn the City & the State of FL ("Grant Agreement"), to allow for the future dev of Metropolitan Park; Apv & Auth Mayor & Corp Sec to Exec any Grant Agreemt termination docs & othr agreemts as req by law.  
(B.T. 19-112)(Lotzia)(Req of Mayor)  
8/13/19 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F  
8/19/19 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/19/19 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/20/19 F Read 2nd and Rerefer  
8/27/19 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred; NCSPHS,TEU,F  
9/5/19 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled/Defer  
9/5/19 TEU Meeting Cancelled/Defer  
3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled-COVID-19/ Emergency-No Action  
3/16/20 TEU Meeting Cancelled-COVID-19/ Emergency-No Action  
3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled-COVID-19/ Emergency-No Action  
3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled-COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 8/27/19

**DEFER****At request of the Administration**

2. [2020-0040](#) ORD re Responses to Council Auditor; Amend Sec 21.07 (Fiscal & Budgetary Functions), Article 21 (JEA), City Charter, to Prov Process to Respond to Requests Made by Council Auditor within 48 Hrs from Receipt of Council Auditor's Requested Information to Council Auditor. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Diamond) (Co-Sponsor CM Cumber)  
1/14/20 CO Introduced :TEU, F, R  
1/21/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/22/20 F Read 2nd and Rerefer  
1/22/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
1/28/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;TEU,F,R  
3/16/20 TEU Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/17/20 R Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
4/20/20 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0  
4/21/20 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
4/21/20 R Amend/Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –1/28/20  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Sec 21.11, City Charter & CR 3.601 -2/25/20

**AMEND(TEU)/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Bowman, Cumber, DeFoor, Freeman, Hazouri, Pittman and Salem

**AMENDMENT**

**Change initial response time from 48 business hours to two business days**

- 3. [2020-0058](#) ORD Apv & Auth Jax Aviation Authority (JAA) to Withdraw from Risk Mgmt. Insurance Prog. Operated by City of Jax in accordance w/Sec 128.106, Ord Code, Prov for Return of JAA Funds; Prov for Prospective Effec Withdrawal Date. (Sidman) (Req of JAA)  
 1/28/20 CO Introduced: TEU, F  
 2/3/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 2/4/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 2/11/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;TEU,F  
 3/16/20 TEU Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 2/11/20

**DEFER**

**At request of  
JAA**

- 4. [2020-0107](#) ORD Approp \$497,195.63 from Retained Earnings in Subfund 561 to Subfund 561 Self-Insurance Acct to Return Excess FY 2019 Gen Liability Loss Provision to JAA in Amt of \$9,035.70 & Return Excess Workers' Comp Loss Provision to JAA in Amt of \$488,159.93. (B.T. 20-049) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
 2/11/20 CO Introduced: TEU, F  
 2/18/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 2/19/20 F Read 2nd and Rerefer  
 2/25/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred;TEU,F  
 3/16/20 TEU Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601- 2/25/20

**DEFER**

**At request of  
JAA**

5. [2020-0112](#) ORD Auth 5th Amend to Mgmt.Svcs. Agreeemt btwn City of Jax & Cecil Field Golf Course, LLC Which: (1) Extends Term of Agreeemt for 5 addtn'l Yrs; (2) Eliminates Base Fee & Percentage of Gross Revenues Payable to City in 2020; (3) Revises Pymt Schedule & Percentage of Gross Revenues Going Forward; (4) Deletes Existing Insur & Indemnification Language & Replaces it with New Insur & Indemnification Language; & (5) Updates Applicable Provisions Regarding Public Records Laws; Prov Oversight by Parks Recreation & Community Svcs. Dept. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM's White & Salem)  
 2/11/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
 2/18/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 2/19/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 2/25/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred;NCSPHS,F  
 3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601- 2/25/20

**DEFER****At request of  
CM White**

6. [2020-0141](#) ORD Approp \$650,000.00 from General Fund – General Svcs. Dist (GSD) Fund Balance to Gen. Counsel Fund – Judgments, Claims, & Losses to Prov Funding for Settlement of Claims or Potential Claims Asserted by Temp Civilian Bailiffs Employed by City of Jax; Auth General Counsel to take Further Action to Effectuate Settlemnts. (B.T. 20-056) (Pinkstaff) (Req of Mayor)  
 2/25/20 CO Introduced: F  
 3/3/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 3/10/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred; F  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 3/10/20

**DEFER****At request of the  
Administration**

7. [2020-0143](#) ORD Approp \$75,000.00 in Grant Funds from FDEP for its Participation in a Study to Estab Vulnerability of Infrastructure & Resources that Play a Role in City's Operations & Allow for Proper Planning; Amend 2020-2024 5-Yr CIP Apvd by Ord 2019-505-E to Prov Funding for "FL Resilient Coastline Prog FRCP"; Auth Standard Grant Agreemt with FDEP; Prov Oversight by Engineering & Constructn Mgmt Div of Dept of Public Works. (B.T. 20-050) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
 2/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F  
 3/2/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 3/2/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 3/3/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 3/10/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferrred;NCSPHS,TEU,F  
 3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/16/20 TEU Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 4/20/20 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
 4/20/20 TEU Amend/Approve 7-0  
 4/21/20 F Amend/Approve 7-0  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 3/10/20

Council Member Pittman asked about the use of this appropriation and time frame for the study. Robin Smith of the Public Works Department reported that the total project cost is \$575,000; this bill will supplement existing funding. Ms. Pittman asked to meet with Mr. Smith to discuss the project and its application to her council district. Kim Taylor described the amendments. In response to a question from Council Member Hazouri about how these funds will be used, Mr. Smith said that an engineering firm will be hired to inventory all City-owned infrastructure to determine what needs to be hardened to protect it from storm damage and how those assets should be prioritized for future action. There are some active construction projects going on now to harden vital facilities. Council Member DeFoor asked if the term "coastline" include the river; it does.

**AMEND(NCSPHS)/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Bowman, Cumber, DeFoor, Freeman, Hazouri, Pittman and Salem

**Amendment**

1. Attach revised BT and CIP sheet to put grant funds into correct project
2. Correct scrivener's pg. 3, line 1 duplicative sentence

8. [2020-0144](#) ORD Revising Exh 1 to Sec 8 of Ord 2015-428-E to Adopt New Budget Transfer Form & New Transfer Directive Form which Will Allow for New Accounting Segments Used in the 1Cloud System vs those Adopted on Forms for FAMIS & Will Prov a 1Cloud Acct Structure which Reflects the Fund, Center, Account, Proj, Activity, & Interfund Acct Segments; Adopt "Appropriation of Funds" Form. (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
 2/25/20 CO Introduced: F  
 3/3/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 3/10/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred; F  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 3/10/20

**DEFER****At request of the Administration**

9. [2020-0148](#) ORD Auth Land Exchange Agreemnt. btwn. The City of Jax. & Chase Proptys, Inc., for Exchange of City's (2.3± Acre) Portion of Goodby's Creek Preserve with Propty Appraiser's Assessed Value of \$470.00 in Exchange for Privately Owned Property of (52± Acres) with Combined Propty Appraiser's Assessed Value of \$15,483.00; Provide Oversight of Exchange of Proptys by Real Estate Div. of Dept. of Public Works & thereafter by Dept. of Parks, Recreation & Comm. Svcs. (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
 2/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS,TEU, F, LUZ(added per C/P 3/10/20), JWW  
 3/2/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 3/2/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 3/3/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 3/10/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;LUZ  
 3/11/20 JWW Approve 10-0  
 3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/16/20 TEU Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 LUZ Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 4/7/20 LUZ Mtg Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 3/10/20

**DEFER****At request of the Administration**

10. [2020-0176](#) ORD Approp \$1,552,504.82 (\$1,431,330.41) in Revenue Collected from the Foreclosure Propty Registry & Reallocation of previously Approp Funds in Amt of \$121,174.41) to Provide Funding to Cover Various Progs that are Auth Pursuant to Chapt 179, Ord Code. (B.T. 20-047) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
3/10/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
4/6/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred; NCSPHS, F  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
3/24/20,4/14/20

**DEFER****At request of the  
Administration**

11. [2020-0178](#) ORD Apv & Auth Derelict Vessel Grant Proj Agreeemt No. 19196 w/Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (“FWC”) and City for Removal of Derelict 34 ft Cabin Cruiser Located in Intracoastal Waterway N of St. Johns River Near Channel Marker 55 & Reimburse to COJ by FWC of Actual Cost of Derelict Vessel Removal; Oversight by Dept of Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs. (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
3/10/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWW  
3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
4/6/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred;NCSPHS, F, JWW  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
3/24/20,4/14/20

**DEFER****At request of the  
Administration**



12. [2020-0180](#) ORD Approp \$600,000.00 from Interest Earnings Tax Collector Receives on Deposited Funds which Benefit all of its Recipients, Including State of FL, City of Jax, Duval County School Board, & Various other Taxing Authorities & Community Developmt & Special Districts to Provide Funds to Procure New Tax Collection System for Duval County Tax Collector's Office. (B.T. 20-052) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
 3/10/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
 3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 4/6/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred; NCSPHS, F  
 4/20/20 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
 4/21/20 F Approve 7-0  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
 3/24/20,4/14/20

Tax Collector Jim Overton explained the purchase of new tax collection software package to replace outdated system using \$600,000 of interest earnings that has been accrued over time, not General Fund dollars.

**APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Bowman, Cumber, DeFoor, Freeman, Hazouri, Pittman and Salem

13. [2020-0181](#) ORD Auth Second Amend to Lease Agreement btwn City of Jax & Jax Golf Management, LLC to Waive Annual Rent & Gross Revenue Percentage Payment for Bent Creek Golf Course for 1 Yr to Allow Funds to be Utilized by Jax Golf Management, LLC for Renovations of the Greens; Oversight by Dept of Parks, Recreation & Community Services. (McCain) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsored by CM Hazouri)  
 3/10/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
 3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 4/6/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred; NCSPHS, F  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
 3/24/20,4/14/20

**DEFER**

**At request of the  
Administration**

14. [2020-0182](#) ORD Apv a Position to Increase Overall Proficiency & Efficiency in the Diagnosis, Maintenance, & Repair of Vehicles that have been Awarded to Jax Sheriff's Office by the Courts thru Forfeiture/Seizure Process. (R.C. 20-069) (McCain) (Req of Sheriff)  
 3/10/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F  
 3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/16/20 TEU Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 4/6/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/6/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred: NCSPHS, TEU, F  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
 3/24/20,4/14/20

**DEFER****At request of  
JSO**

15. [2020-0183](#) ORD Approp \$89,826.86 from General Fund – GSD Fund Balance (of Funds Recaptured to the General Fund – GSD for FY 2019) to Provide Funding to Address the Negative Cash Balances in Various Grants. (McCain) (Introduced by the Finance Committee)  
 3/10/20 CO Introduced: F  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred; F  
 4/21/20 F Approve 7-0  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
 3/24/20,4/14/20

**APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - Bowman, Cumber, DeFoor, Freeman, Hazouri, Pittman and Salem

16. [2020-0185](#) ORD-MC Concerning Contracts with City, Including Contracts & Compensation of City Employees & Officers; Amend Chapt 129 (Salaries of Public Officials & Employees), Ord Code, to Rename the Chapt; Creating New Sec 129.113 (Unlawful Compensation), Ord Code, to Prohibit Various Compensation Provisions; Creating New Sec 601.409 (Unlawful Contracts), Chapt 601 (Offenses Against Operation of Govt), Ord Code, to Prohibit Various Contracts & Contract Provisions). (Durden) (Introduced by CM Priestly Jackson) (Co-Sponsored by CM's Diamond, Morgan, Newby, & Carlucci)  
3/10/20 CO Introduced: F, R  
3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/17/20 R Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/7/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred; F, R  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
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Council Member Priestly Jackson explained that the bill amends the Ordinance Code to prevent 3 things, based on the recent JEA situation: 1) basing compensation on the performance of the agency for which an employee or officer works; 2) contracts in perpetuity with no end dates; and 3) holding an equity or property interest in the agency or future equity interest in a former agency if it is eventually recapitalized. Stephen Durden of the Office of General Counsel said many of these things are already implied to be prohibited or not permitted; this ordinance is intended to be clarification of the prohibitions. He said that bonuses based on cost savings are an unclear point in state law without much court precedent or Attorney General opinions for guidance, so this is intended to eliminate any unclarity. This bill applies only to the City proper, not to the independent authorities without some further action via Charter amendment. Council Member Salem said he has been working on similar legislation and asked about the CEO contracts of other independent authorities and whether those are prohibited. Mr. Durden said the current contracts stay in force and changes would require Charter amendment to apply these new restrictions to the authorities. In response to a question from Mr. Salem about whether JEA's long-standing short term incentive plan will be affected, Mr. Durden said he would have to look at the details of that plan.

Cost-savings incentives would be prohibited if this legislation passes and is applied to JEA in the future. Council Member DeFoor asked if the City has any bonus structures to which this bill would apply; Mr. Durden said he hasn't researched that and does not know if there might be plan(s) that may be affected. Council Member Priestly Jackson said she understood that anything that might exist now would comply with state law already. Ms. DeFoor suggested the possibility of referring this bill to Council Member Boylan's JEA Workshops to discuss applying it to that authority.

Council Member Hazouri said he likes the concept but feels it doesn't deal with the real problem which is JEA. He wants the ordinance to apply to everyone. Council Member Cumber said she wants to see it applied to JEA as soon as possible but asked about potential unintended consequences. Mr. Durden repeated that he doesn't know what bonus plans already exist within the City government, but felt it's highly unlikely that this bill would have any affect except perhaps for a cost savings bonus plan that might exist somewhere. Mr. Bowman asked if a Charter amendment to apply this bill to JEA would require a voter referendum in addition to the supermajority vote of council. Mr. Durden did not think it would. He did note that if City Council combines all of the JEA-related changes it's been talking about into an omnibus bill, that would require a referendum. Peggy Sidman said that the details of each proposal would determine whether a referendum is needed or not, particularly how much power is given to the City Council over JEA actions. Council Member Boylan said his workshop committee is addressing lots of things, some of which will definitely require a referendum to enact. Mr. Salem said that his pending resolution relating to employment contracts was intended to urge restricting those contracts to just the CEOs of the various authorities; they can't imposed on any of the authorities except the JEA by Council action alone.

In response to a question from Council Member DeFoor about whether he sees any negative impact to City operations by passing this bill, Mr. Durden said the only thing he sees as possibly problematic would be the prohibition of a cost-savings bonus if such things are allowed by state law, and that would be a policy question for Council to

decide if that's a good or bad idea. Council Member Salem said he thinks there is a City Employee Suggestion Program in the Code that gives employees bonuses for suggestions that save money and wondered how would that be impacted. Council Member Priestly Jackson agreed with the suggestion to defer the bill to have time to look at the questions posed today, but she drafted this legislation to deal with problems that the JEA situation revealed. Some things that were thought to be clear are apparently not clear to some people. Mr. Durden says he may make some minor re-writes to clarify language based on today's discussion. Mr. Bowman asked about the process is for applying the bill to all of the independent authorities, some of which will require state action.

Council Member Cumber moved to defer – approved 7-0

### DEFER

17. [2020-0187](#) Ord Auth Execution of (1) Redev Agreement btwn the City of Jax & Springfield Lofts, LLC & (2) Loan Documents & Related Documents to Support Redev by Developer an approx. 2.12± Acre Site at 1341 Pearl St, 235 W 3rd St & 205 W 3rd St in City of Jax Auth Redev Completion Grant in Amount of \$1,000,000 to Developer Upon Substantial Completion of Proj to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Auth Recapture Enhanced Value (REV) Grant in Amt of \$1,000,000 for Duration not to Exceed 10 yrs; Auth Development Loan in Amount of \$1,000,000 w/Term of 20 Yrs in Connection w/Project to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Designating OED as Contract Monitor for Agreement & Related Agreements; City Oversight of Project by Dept of Public Works & OED; Auth Execution of all Relating to Above Agreements & Transactions & Auth Technical Changes to the Documents; Prov Deadline for Developer to Execute Agreements After They are Delivered to Developer; Waiver of that Portion of Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2016-382-E, as Amended which Limits REV Grants to No More than 50% of Tax Increment for Up to 10 Yrs & that Requires Company to Create at least 10 New Full-Time Jobs & to Auth Redev Completion Grant & Development Loan that are not Currently Auth by Public Investment Policy. (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)  
 3/10/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
 3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 4/6/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred; NCSPHS, F  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
 3/24/20,4/14/20

### DEFER

**At request of the  
Administration**

18. [2020-0199](#) ORD Apv & Auth Amend Two to Grant Agreement btwn City of Jax & Clara White Mission, Inc. to Remove Construction of Pedestrian Bridge from Project Scope for White Harvest Farms & Market Project.(Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)  
 3/10/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
 3/16/20 NCSPHS Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/17/20 F Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 3/24/20 CO Meeting Cancelled COVID-19/Emergency-No Action  
 4/6/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/7/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
 4/14/20 CO PH Read 2nd and Rereferred; NCSPHS, F  
 4/20/20 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
 4/21/20 F Amend/Approve 6-0-1 (Pittman-Abstain)  
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –  
 3/24/20,4/14/20

Kim Taylor explained the amendment. Council Member Hazouri asked if the pedestrian bridge was included in the original cost estimate and, if so, could the project budget be reduced by its cost. Kirk Wendland said that the first bill had a very preliminary cost estimate and the new revised budget needs the full \$1.5 million to do the rest of the project without the bridge. Council Member Pittman declared a conflict of interest since the bill pertains to her agency and abstained from voting.

#### **AMEND(NCSPHS)/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 6 - Bowman, Cumber, DeFoor, Freeman, Hazouri and Salem

**Abstain:** 1 - Pittman

#### **AMENDMENT**

**Attach revised Exhibit 1 to include updated budget and include language in bill regarding budget revision**

- **Removes a pedestrian bridge from the project scope due to unforeseen remediation and cost increases**
- **Total project cost of \$1.5 million remains the same with a reallocation of budget dollars**

19. [2020-0204](#) ORD Apv & Auth 3rd Amend to Existing Agreemt w/Republic Svcs of FL Ltd Partnership D/B/A Southland Waste Systems of Jax; Setting Rates from 2019 Rate Review Commencing 10/1/19; Setting Fuel Caps for FY's 2019-2020 & 2020-2021; Apv Premise Count Conducted in Connection w/Rate Review; Providing Markup on Expenses; Oversight by Solid Waste Div of Dept of Public Works. (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: TEU,F  
4/20/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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20. [2020-0205](#) ORD Apv & Auth 2nd Amend to Existing Agreemt w/Advanced Disposal Svcs Jax, LLC; Setting Rates from 2019 Rate Review Commencing 10/1/19; Setting Fuel Caps for FY's 2019-2020, 2020-2021 & 2021-2022; Auth Dual Use of Jax Area Residential (JAR) Facility; Apv Premise Count Conducted in Connection w/Rate Review; Providing for Markup on Expenses; Oversight by Solid Waste Div of Dept of Public Works. (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: TEU,F  
4/20/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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21. [2020-0206](#) ORD Apv & Auth 3rd Amend to Existing Agreemt w/Waste Pro of FL, Inc.; Setting Rates from 2019 Rate Review Commencing 10/1/19; Setting Fuel Caps for FY's 2019-2020, 2020-2021 & 2021-2022; Apv Premise Count Conducted in Connection w/Rate Review; Providing for Markup on Expenses Based on Mayor's Recommendation Pursuant to Sec 382.390 (B)(7), Ord Code; Oversight by Solid Waste Div of Dept of Public Works. (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: TEU,F  
4/20/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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22. [2020-0207](#) ORD Adopt Inventory List Identifying City-Owned Surplus Property Deemed Appropriate for Use as Potential Affordable Housing Pursuant to & as Mandated by Secs 125.379 & 166.0451, F.S. & Sec 122.423, Ord Code; Declaring 84 Parcels on Inventory List to be Surplus to Needs of City; Auth Disposition of Subj Parcels Pursuant to Provision of Sec 122.423 (Disposition for Affordable Housing), Subpt B (Real Property Dispositions & Exchanges), Pt 4 (Real Property), Ord Code. (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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23. [2020-0208](#) ORD Approp Grant Funds in Amt of \$5,000.00 from FDOT for Reimb. of City of Jax's Participation in Design & Project Managemt of Pedestrian Improvemts on Park St/Margaret St. from Riverside Ave to I-95 Ramps, Amend 2020-2024 5-Yr CIP Apvd by Ord 2019-505-E to Prov Funding for Proj Entitled "Park St. Pedestrian Improvements from Riverside Ave to I-95 Ramps" Auth the Mayor, or his designee, & Corp. Secretary to execute & deliver, on behalf of the City, the Local Agency Prog. Agreemt btwn FDOT & City of Jax; Oversight by Engineering & Construction Management Division of Dept of Public Works. (B.T. 20-054) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: TEU, F  
4/20/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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24. [2020-0209](#) ORD Approp \$30,000.00 from Special Law Enforcemt Trust Fund in Accordance w/Sec 932.7055, F.S., to Prov Funding to Boy Scouts of America, North FL Council (\$10,000.00), M.A.D.D.A.D.S Jax Chapt Inc. (\$10,000.00), & FL FBINAA Retrainer (\$10,000.00), Auth the Mayor, or his designee, & Corp Secretary to execute & deliver, on behalf of the City, the Misc Appropriations Agreemt btwn City of Jax & Boy Scouts of America, North FL Council, & Misc Appropriations Agreemt btwn City of Jax & M.A.D.D.A.D.S Jax Chapt, Inc; City Oversight by Jax Sheriff's Office. (B.T. 20-061) (McCain) (Req of Sheriff)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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25. [2020-0211](#) ORD Approp \$56,058.00 in Grant Funding w/No Local Match from FDLE Under the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) to Purchase Operating Supplies for PREA Inmate Education Initiative & to Increase Video Surveillance at JSO Correctional Facilities. (B.T. 20-048) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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**READ 2ND & REREFER**

26. [2020-0212](#) ORD-MC Creating New Sec 111.356 (Firefighter Candidate Sponsorship Program Spec Rev Fund), Pt 3 (Public Safety & Courts), Chapt 111 (Spec Rev & Trust Accounts), Ord Code, to Receive all Donations, Monetary Gifts, Contributions, Sponsorship Monies, & Other Related Monies to Provide Funding to Develop Firefighter Sponsorship Prog to Increase City of Jax Pool of Qualified Minority & Women Candidates for Position of Firefighter; Provide for Codification Instructions. (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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27. [2020-0213](#) ORD Approp \$1,000,000.00 from Tree Protection & Related Expenses Trust Fund, Subfund 15F (Now Fund 15304), to “Level 3 Tree Planting Prog,” for Funding to be Administered by Public Works in Accordance with Level 3 Tree Planting Prog Requiremts; Apv & Requesting Dept of Public Works to Oversee & Administer Prog in Accordance with Criteria herein; Providing Funds Carryover into Subsequent Fiscal Yrs; Apv Execution & Delivery from Time to Time Henceforth a Standard Agreemt for Entering into Grant Agreemt w/Third Parties for Level 3 Tree Planting Prog w/No Further Action by City Council Required. (Grandin) (Introduced by CM Salem)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/20/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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28. [2020-0214](#) ORD Apv Harbour Waterway Dependent Spec Dist Proposed FY 2020/2021 Budget,(Johnston) (Introduced by CP Wilson,Per Ord 2010-725-E)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: F  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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29. [2020-0215](#) ORD Apv Tarpon Cove Dependent Spec Dist Proposed FY 2020/2021 Budget,(Johnston) (Introduced by CP Wilson,Per Ord 2017-154-E)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: F  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/28/20

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30. [2020-0216](#) ORD Apv Millers Creek Dependent Spec Dist Proposed FY 2020/2021 Budget, . (Johnston) (Introduced by CP Wilson,Per Ord 2014-700-E)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: F  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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31. [2020-0217](#) ORD Apv Isle of Palms Dependent Spec Dist Proposed FY 2020/2021 Budget, (Johnston) (Introduced by CP Wilson,Per Ord 2011-724-E)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: F  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/28/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

32. [2020-0218](#) ORD Re Chapt 118 (City Grants), Ord Code; Estab 2020-2021 Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons & Needs for Public Service Grant Appropriations; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage. (Sidman) (Req of Public Serv Grant Council)  
4/14/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Emergency/Approve 6-1 (Diamond)  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Reconsider/Emergency/Approve 7-0  
4/21/20 F Emergency/Approve 6-0-1 (Pittman)  
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Council Member Pittman declared a conflict of interest and abstained from voting because the bill affects her agency's grants. Damian Cook of the Office of Grants and Compliance said there were no priority changes from last year to this year, keeping the same 3 categories. The non-profit sector felt the change made last year is working and they want to keep going that way

**EMERGENCY/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 6 - Bowman, Cumber, DeFoor, Freeman, Hazouri and Salem

**Abstain:** 1 - Pittman

**Scrivener's**

**1. Pg. 1, lines 14 and 18: strike "Priority Populations" and insert "Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs"**

**2. Pg. 2, line 20: strike "Person" and insert "Persons"**

- 33. [2020-0221](#)** ORD Approp \$1,880,120.00 from General Fund to KHA Subfund for Programs & Svcs for At-Hope Children & Youth in Jax Invoking the Exception of Sec 126.107(g) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Chapt 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code re: Children Svcs Prog Contracts to be Provided by Providers Specified in Ord; Apv & Auth the Mayor & Corp Sec & CEO of the KHA to execute Children's Svcs contracts w/ Providers Specified in Ord; Waiving Requirements of Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Chapt 77 (KHA) Ord Code, to Exempt Children's Svcs Programming to be Provided by Providers Specified in Ord from Competitive Procurement. (B.T. 20-064) (Davis) (Req of Mayor)  
4/14/20 CO Introduction: NCSPHS, F,R  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
4/21/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
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- 34. [2020-0224](#)** RESO Concerning Public Safety & Welfare of COJ during COVID-19 Pandemic; Encouraging Action by Banks & Financial Institutions; & Addnl State and Federal Action; Encouraging the FL Supreme Court to Extend Administrative Order re: Writs of Possession for Eviction Proceedings; Encouraging Sherriff to Stay Enforcemt on Eviction Orders During State of Emerg; Req Emerg Passage Upon Introduction; Directing Legislative Svcs to Circulate a Copy of Resolution Upon Adoption. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis) (Co-Sponsored by CM's Morgan, Pittman & Gaffney)  
4/14/20 CO Introduction: NCSPHS, F  
4/20/20 NCSPHS Withdraw 6-1 (Carlucci)  
4/21/20 F Withdraw 7-0

**WITHDRAW**

**At request of  
CM Dennis**

**Aye:** 7 - Bowman, Cumber, DeFoor, Freeman, Hazouri, Pittman and Salem

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

Chairman Bowman noted that the Property Appraiser's budget will be coming before the Finance Committee soon for consideration; it needs to be submitted to the state by June 1. Kim Taylor indicated that the Property Appraiser's budget will be decreasing by \$300,000 this year.

Council Member Boylan announced that he will be introducing a bill to appropriate \$900,000 from City Operating Reserves to the First Coast Relief Fund for distribution to the non-profit community to support their work dealing with immediate needs on the streets; Community Organized and Active in Disaster (COAD) is doing important work help people recover from the economic crisis. Non-profits are in great need of support to help them deal with the crisis as well. Council Member Cumber said she likes the idea, but everyone needs to be cognizant of how bad the City budget could be in the next couple of years and how important reserve funds will be to cushion the blow that's coming. Council Member Salem felt it would be good to target the funds to something like JEA to prevent utility shutoffs when their current moratorium expires. Council Member Hazouri said lots of agencies are going to need help, so Council will need to prioritize and coordinate what's most important before allocating funds to anyone. Council Member Pittman said she has been involved in discussions with COAD about their work, so will be declaring a conflict of interest when this bill comes up for a vote. Chairman Bowman agrees that there will be lots of calls for appropriating money to worthy causes so the council will need to be cautious about starting down that path.

Council Member Boylan noted that Council Member Dennis' Resolution 2020-224 was withdrawn but suggested the need for a resolution calling on the state to fix the current problems with its unemployment application system.

Chairman Bowman said he will be holding a discussion with Council President Wilson regarding the resumption of the work of all of the paused committees and task forces: Charter Revision Commission; Crime Reduction and Public Safety Task Force; Resiliency Special Committee; Planning Commission; Waterways Commission. Mr. Salem asked that the Opioid Task Force be added to that list; opioid overdose transports by JFRD were up 20% in March. Mr. Hazouri said he knows that President Wilson is interested in getting all of the committees and task forces back into action. Council Secretary Cheryl Brown said that she had talked to Mr. Wilson yesterday and he asked her to compile a list of where things stood in all those bodies when the moratorium was imposed and how to get everything restarted.

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## Rollcall

**Present:** 7 - Chair Aaron Bowman, Vice Chair LeAnna Cumber, Council Member Randy DeFoor, Council Member Terrance Freeman, Council Member Tommy Hazouri, Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman and Council Member Ron Salem

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