

# City of Jacksonville

117 W Duval St  
Jacksonville, FL 32202



## Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 31, 2020

9:30 AM

Council Chambers 1st Floor, City Hall & Virtual

## Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety Committee

*Randy White, Chair*

*Ju'Coby Pittman, Vice Chair*

*Danny Becton*

*Rory Diamond*

*Garrett Dennis*

*Aaron Bowman*

*Terrance Freeman*

*Legislative Assistant: Vonya Balogh*

*Legislative Assistant: Ladayija Nichols*

*Asst. Council Auditor: Phillip Peterson*

*Research Assistant: Richard Distel*

*Chief Office of General Counsel: Paige Johnston*

*Administration: Rachel Zimmer*

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**Meeting Convened: 9:30 A.M.**

**Meeting Adjourned: 10:46 A.M.**

### **Update by Department of Health on COVID-19**

**Antonio Nichols, DOH-Duval Assistant Director - Administration and Operations, gave a COVID-19 update which he detailed that the positivity rate is 6.8%. There was a small spike on August 30th. The long term care facilities are doing well and there is a plan on the way for reopening which will be shared soon. Mr. Nichols said that they are working with the schools on contact tracing and there were no cases on the first day of school, but a few COVID-19 cases have appeared since opening the schools. Mr. Nichols stressed prevention through mask wearing and social distancing.**

**CM Pittman asked if there has been a spike in COVID-19 cases in the Northwest area and the impact on senior communities. Mr. Nichols said that he does not have data about the Northwest area, but he can send get it and send the data to the Council. He also said that the median age range has shifted down from 60 plus to 36 to 38.**

**CM Dennis asked about the hospitalization levels. Mr. Nichols said he does not have that information, but can get it to the Council. CM Dennis asked about the mobile testing units. Mr. Nichols said that two units are out doing mobile testing. CM Dennis asked about what kind of work is being done with the Jacksonville Housing Authority. Mr. Nichols said he does not have that information, but can send it to the Council.**

Update Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department

**Chief Keith Powers, Director of the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department, detailed that at 1am there was a fire at a commercial warehouse in Mixon Town. The fire is still going on currently and the fire fighters will hopefully have it fully out in a few hours. One firefighter had a hand injury but no one was in the building so there no other injuries.**

**Attendance: CM Cumber (2020-0486) & CM Boylan (2020-0491)**

**Item/File No.**

**Title History**

1. [2020-0112](#) ORD Auth 5th Amend to Mgmt.Svcs. Agreemt btwn City of Jax & Cecil Field Golf Course, LLC Which: (1) Extends Term of Agreemt 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)**

2. [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)**

3. [2020-0326](#) RESO Supporting the Passage of a Policy Designating City Hall as a “Hit Free Zone,” Training of Employees for an Appropriate Response, & Posting Signage at City Hall Identifying Property as a “Hit Free Zone” Area; Urging Creation of a Pilot Program. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis)  
6/9/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R  
6/15/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
6/16/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
6/23/20 CO Read 2nd & Rereferred; NCSPHS, R

**DEFER (At request of CM Dennis)**

4. [2020-0374](#) RESO Urging the Security & Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (SEPPC) to Develop Guidelines for Determining Essential Personnel Based on Nature of an Emergency. (Sidman) (Introduced by CM Freeman)  
6/23/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R  
7/20/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
7/21/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
7/28/20 CO Read 2nd & Rereferred; NCSPHS,R

**DEFER (At request of CM Freeman)**

5. [2020-0411](#) ORD MC-Regarding the Emergency Preparedness Division; Amend Pt 6 (Emergency Preparedness Division), Chapt 31 (Fire & Rescue Dept), Ord Code, to Create an Emergency Preparedness Director & a Division Chief of Emergency Preparedness. (Rutherford) (Req of Mayor)  
7/28/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
8/3/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/4/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/11/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;NCSPHS,F  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 8/11/20

**DEFER (At request of the Administration)**

6. [2020-0424](#) RESO Urging the DCSB to Consider Memorializing the Late Earl M. Johnson Sr. for His Life’s Work for the Civil Rights Movement, His Record of Public Svc Which Extended State and Nation Wide, & Svc in Creation of Consolidated Govt of the City of Jax by Naming a School for Earl M. Johnson Sr.; Directing Legislative Svcs Div to Provide a Copy of the Resolution, Upon Adoption, to The DCSB & Superintendent. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Carlucci) (Co-Sponsored by CM Pittman)  
7/28/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R  
8/3/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/4/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/11/20 CO Read 2nd & Rereferred; NCSPHS, R

**DEFER (At request of CM Carlucci)**

7. [2020-0486](#) ORD Etab a Neighborhood Assessment Prog (NAP) for the South End River Rd.-NW End River Oaks Rd. Neighborhood for Underground Power & Communications Improvements, Pursuant to Chapt 714 (Neighborhood Assessment Progs.), Pt 3 (Underground Power & Communications Prog. Area), Ord Code; Identifying JEA for NAP Proj Performance; Expressing Intent to Use Uniform Method for Non-Ad Valorem Assessmts; Pursuant to Sec. 197.3632(3)(a), F.S.; Directing Distribution of this Ord by Legislative Svcs. (Eller) (Introduced by CM Cumber)
- 8/11/20 Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU  
8/17/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/17/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/25/20 CO Read 2nd & Rereferred;NCSPHS,TEU  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Approve 7-0  
8/31/20 TEU Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to F.S. Sec. 197.3632(3)(a) – 9/8/20

**CM Cumber explained that the bill will allow six neighbors to move their powerlines underground and there will be no cost to the city with all the costs covered by the neighbors.**

**APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Dennis, Bowman and Freeman

- **The cost of the Neighborhood Assessment Program will be initially funded by JEA and refunded to JEA through a non-ad valorem assessment**
- **Estimated cost of the project is \$67,902**
- **Estimated annual assessment of \$906.07 for a period of 20 years to six benefiting property owners**
- **There is no financial obligation of the City**

8. [2020-0488](#) ORD Approp \$20,000.00 Grant Received from the Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund (“CFE”) to Support KHA in Developing During the period 5/1/20 thru 4/30/21 a Plan for Integrating Comprehensive Financial Education & Banking Access into City of Jax’s 2021 Summer Youth Employment Program. (B.T. 20-101) (Davis) (Req of Mayor)  
8/11/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
8/17/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/18/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/25/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;NCSPHS,F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
9/1/20 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/25/20

**Mr. Weinstein explained that this is bill appropriates grant funding from the Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund. This helps to fund a financial education program. CM Bowman asked about the concern of starting the program before receiving the grant funds. Mr. Peterson said that there is a chance that the grant could not be received so the Council Auditor has traditionally cautioned against appropriating grant funds not yet received. Mr. Weinstein said they will not move forward until they receive the 90% of funds which the grantor has agreed to provide in advance rather than on a reimbursement basis.**

**AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Dennis, Bowman and Freeman

**AMENDMENT**

- 1. Attach revised Exhibit 1 to attach signed BT**
- 2. Attach grant award as new exhibit**

**CONCERN:**

**The City has not received the grant funds yet from the Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund. Typically funds are not appropriated from a private entity until the funds have been received. The Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund will pay the City \$20,000 to support the development of a comprehensive financial education program that will be incorporated into the 2020/21 Mayor’s Youth at Work Program. The City will receive 90% of the funds (\$18,000) upon contract execution and the remaining 10% (\$2,000) upon a final report and documentation of project spending. KHA plans to request the funding after Council approves this legislation.**

9. [2020-0490](#) ORD Approp \$15,000.00 (\$7,500.00 from CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSX) & \$7,500.00 from the FL Dept of Transportation (FDOT) for Closure of E. 59th St. Railroad-Highway Grade Crossing; Auth the Mayor & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver the Stipulation of Parties for the Closure of E. 59th St. FDOT Crossing #621069K Railroad-Highway Grade Crossing btwn City of Jax, CSX, & FDOT for Permanent Closing of a Railroad-Highway Public Grade Crossing at E. 59th St.; Oversight by Dept of Public Works; Amend 2020-2024 5-Yr Capital Improvemnt Program Apv by Ord 2019-505-E to Provide Funding for the Project Entitled "Railroad Crossings." (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
8/11/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS,TEU,F  
8/17/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/17/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/18/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/25/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;NCSPHS,TEU,F  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/25/20

**DEFER (At request of the Administration)**

10. [2020-0491](#) ORD Approp \$5,000,000.00 from the HUD CDBG-DR Irma funding thru the FL Dept of Economic Opportunity to the City of Jax CDBG-DR Hurricane Irma Voluntary Home Buyout Program to Allow the City Address the Damage from Hurricane Irma by Removing Structures that were Impacted by Storm Surge & Riverine Flooding; Apv & Auth the Federally-Funded Community Dev Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Voluntary Home Buyout Program Subrecipient Agreement; Oversight by Housing & Community Dev Div of Neighborhoods Dept. (B.T. 20-100) (McCain) (Req of Sheriff)  
8/11/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
8/17/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/18/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/25/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;NCSPHS,F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
9/1/20 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/25/20

**CM Dennis asked if the hiring of the company is being done in house. Thomas Daly, Chief of Housing & Community Development Division, said it is being done in house. CM Dennis asked how the appropriation will be spent. Mr. Daly said that 7 percent of the appropriation is going towards the administrative fees which cover the in-house staff and contractors for demolishing. The rest will go towards acquisition, relocating, rental costs.**

**CM Pittman asked if there a cap for relocating fees. Mr. Daly said it is \$12,500. CM Bowman asked how the area was selected. Mr. Daly said it was based on the area being one of the most impoverished in the city and that the home values are low and by taking these homes off the market it would allow for the most continuous green space. CM Bowman said that it would be helpful to reach out to Council Members about problem areas in their districts for future projects.**

#### **AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Dennis, Bowman and Freeman

#### **AMENDMENT**

- 1. Page 1, Line 1 - Strike "Sheriff" and insert "Mayor"**
- 2. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 to correct BT accounting codes**

**•The Ken Knight Drive Neighborhood (District 10) is the focus of this Voluntary Home Buyout Program**



11. [2020-0492](#) ORD Auth KHA to Provide Funding in Amt of \$200,640.00 for Communities in Schools of Jax Inc. ("CIS) to Provide Children's Svcs in Afterschool & Summer Program; Auth KHA to Contract w/CIS to Provide Afterschool & Summer Programming at Carter G. Woodson Elementary School for 2020-2021 School Yr & Immediately Following Summer; Invoking Exception to Sec 126.107(G) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Chapt 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, re: Children's Svcs Programming to be Provided by CIS as Specified in this Ord; Auth a Children's Svcs Contract w/CIS; Waiving the Requirement's of Chapt 77 (KHA), Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ord Code, to Exempt Children's Svcs Programming to be Provided by CIS from Competitive Procuremnt. (Davis) (Req of Mayor)  
8/11/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R  
8/17/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/18/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/18/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/25/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;NCSPHS,F,R  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
9/1/20 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0  
9/1/20 R Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/25/20

**Mr. Weinstein explained that the amendments are technical in nature. CM Dennis asked if the procurement code will need to be waived. Mr. Weinstein said there is a waiver and this is a direct contract to Communities in Schools. This allows for a direct contract with this school, because it was going to be closed for the school year. CM Pittman asked how many children would this have impacted if the funding was not provided Mr. Weinstein said it would have been between 80 to 100 students.**

**AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Dennis, Bowman and Freeman

**AMENDMENT**

- 1. Pg. 2, line 22: strike "appropriated and"**
- 2. Attach 3rd Revised Schedule M as new exhibit**

12. [2020-0493](#) ORD Approp \$80,000.00 Grant Received from Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund (“CFE”) to allow the KHA to Fund Financial Navigation Svcs for Families in Jax Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic; Auth KHA to Provide Direct Funding in Amt of \$80,000.00 to the United Way of NE FL (“United Way”) to Provide Financial Navigation Svcs to Families in Jax Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic; Invoking Exception to Sec 126.107(G) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (Gen Regulations), Chapt 126 (Procurement Code) Ord Code, re: the Svcs to be Provided the United Way; Apv & Auth a Svcs Contract w/United Way for Svcs Specified in this Ord; Waiving Provisions of Chapt 77 (KHA), Ord Code, to the Extent that the Svcs Specified in this Ord May Not be Considered Children’s Svcs as Contemplated by Chapt 77; Waiving Chapt 77 Req’s (KHA), Sec 77.111(a) (Provider Contracts), Ord Code, to Exempt Svcs Provided by United Way from Competitive Procuremt. (B.T. 20-102) (Davis) (Req of Mayor)  
8/11/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R  
8/17/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/18/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/18/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/25/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;NCSPHS,F,R  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0  
9/1/20 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0  
9/1/20 R Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/25/20

**AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Dennis, Bowman and Freeman

## AMENDMENT

1. Include term of grant
2. Attach Revised Exhibit 1 to correct waiver language and include signatures on BT
3. Attach grant award as new exhibit

The requirements of Ordinance Code Chapter 77 (KHA) are being waived to the extent that the financial navigation services being funded and approved through this legislation may not be considered children's services as contemplated by Chapter 77.

## CONCERN:

The City has not received the grant funds yet from the Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund. Typically funds are not appropriated from a private entity until the funds have been received. The Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund will pay the City \$80,000 to fund a partnership with the United Way of Northeast Florida for financial navigation services for families impacted by COVID-19. The City will receive 90% of the funds (\$72,000) upon contract execution and the remaining 10% (\$8,000) upon a final report and documentation of project spending. KHA plans to request the funding after Council approves this legislation.

13. [2020-0505](#) ORD Adopting FY's 2021-2025 Inclusive Capital Improvement Plan (the "CIP"), Req by Pt 6, Chapt 122, Ord Code; Providing 2021 CIP Specificity Requirement's; Directing Revisions & Updating of Capital Improvemnts Element of 2030 Comp Plan, as Required by Sec 163.3177, F.S.; Waiving Sec. 122.602(a) (Definitions), Ord Code; Providing for Compliance w/ Sec. 106.309 (Capital Improvemnt Appropriations Carried Over) & Sec 106.312 (Lapse of Appropriations), Ord Code; Providing for Declaration of Intent to Reimburse; Providing for Reconciliation of Scheduled, Text, Codification, Journal Entries. (Sidman) (Req of Mayor)  
7/28/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R  
8/3/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/4/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/4/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/11/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred;NCSPHS,F,R  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 8/11/20

## DEFER (BUDGET BILL)

14. [2020-0517](#) ORD Concerning Continuation Grant; Approp \$5,450,501.00 (\$4,087,875.75 from the FEMA through the FDEM & a 25% City Match of \$1,362,625.25 from General Fund) Under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Prog to Acquire & Demolish 22 Flood-Prone Properties & Return them to Green Space; Auth the Mayor, his Designee, & Corp. Secretary to Execute & Deliver, for & on Behalf of the City, the Federally-Funded Subaward & Grant Agreement btwn FDEM & City of Jax; Amend the 2020-2024 5 Yr CIP Apvd by ORD 2019-505-E to Provide Funding for the Proj Entitled "Acquisition & Demo of 22 Flood Prone Properties (South Shores B)"; City Oversight by Emerg Preparedness Div. (B.T. 20-104) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

15. [2020-0518](#) ORD Establishing a Moratorium of 2 Yrs on the Renaming of Public Parks, Public Bldgs, Recreational Facilities, & Public Streets; Providing that the Moratorium Remain in Effect from Enactment until 8/11/2022 or Until a Uniform Procedure or Policy for Renaming is Implemented by Council; Req Emerg Passage Upon Intro. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Diamond)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, SJCIC  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

16. [2020-0520](#) ORD Approp \$193,248.00 with No Local Match from FL Dept. of Law Enforcement for the Nation Crime Statistics Exchange Prog for the Period 5/30/2020, through 9/30/2021; Apv & Auth Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp. Secretary to Execute & Deliver, on Behalf of the City the Certificate of Subaward & the Acceptance of Federal Funding Assistance btwn the FL Dept. of Law Enforcement & the City of Jax; Oversight by JSO. (B.T. 20-107) (McCain) (Req of Sheriff)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

17. [2020-0521](#) ORD Approp \$385,785.00 with No Local Match, from FL Dept. of Law Enforcement for the Safe Neighborhoods Prog (“The Project”) for the Period 5/1/2020, Through 4/30/2021; Apv & Auth Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp. Secretary to Execute & Deliver, on Behalf of the City the Proj Safe Neighborhoods-Middle Dist. Of FL (PSNM) Prog Special Conditions & Acceptance of Federal Funding Assistance btwn the FL Dept. of Law Enforcement & the City of Jax; Oversight by JSO (B.T. 20-108) (McCain) (Req of Sheriff)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

18. [2020-0522](#) ORD-MC Amending Sec. 118.101 (Purpose), Pt.1 (General Provisions), Chapt. 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Prohibit City Grants from being Awarded to any Entity to Fund any Prog Supporting or Assisting Sexual Predators or Sexual Offenders. (Teal) (Introduced by CM Cumber)(Co-Sponsored by CM Bowman)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

19. [2020-0523](#) ORD Approp. \$ 45,130.14 from the Dept. of Homeland Security/FEMA through the FDEM to Provide Funding for the Purchase of a Heavy Duty Tow Vehicle for the Infectious Disease Response Unit, Auth Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp. Secretary to Execute & Deliver, on Behalf of the City, the Federally-Funded Subaward & Grant Agreement btwn FDEM & the City of Jax; Oversight by Emerg. Preparedness Div. (B.T. 20-105) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/31/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

20. [2020-0525](#) ORD Approp. an \$11,750.00 Reimbursable Grant from the U.S. Tennis Assoc. (USTA) FL Sec. Foundation to Assist with Costs Associated with the Closure of City Tennis Facilities because of COVID-19 Pandemic; Apv & Auth Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp. Secretary to Execute & Deliver, on Behalf of the City, the Facility Recovery Grant Award Letters for Boone Park Tennis Facility, Clanzel T. Brown Tennis Facility, Southside Tennis Facility & Fort Family Tennis Facility; Oversight by Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs. Dept. (B.T. 20-110) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS,F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

21. [2020-0526](#) ORD Approp \$60,000.00 from the State of FL Dept. of Environmental Protection for a Proj. Titled AAA Public Engagement Workshops for Continued Resiliency Planning; Providing for a Carryover of Funds to the Subsequent Fiscal Yr.; Apv & Auth Mayor & Corp. Secretary to Execute & Deliver the Standard Grant Agreement btwn the State of FL Dept. of Environmental Protection & the City of Jax; Oversight by Planning Dept. (B.T. 20-109) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU,F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/31/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

22. [2020-0529](#) ORD-MC Amending Chapt 120 (General Employees & Correction Officer Pension Plans & all Employees Defined Contribution Retirement Plans), Pt. II (The General Employees Retirement Plan), Sec.120.206 (Time Svc Retirement Benefit; Cost of Living Adjustments), Ord Code, to Provide a 6 Month Window for Early Retirement as Follows: (1) Retirement at the Age of 60 w/5 Yrs Credited Svc; (2) Retirement at the Age of 55 w/10Yrs Credited Svc; & (3) Early Retirement w/20 Yrs. Credited Svc with a Reduced Benefit; Providing for Codification Instructions; Requirement of Actuarial Report; Requiring Collective Bargaining Where Applicable. (Sawyer) (Introduced by CM Dennis)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
8/31/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

23. [2020-0530](#) RESO Concerning Early Retirement Benefits Pertaining to General Employees Pension Plan, Chapt 120, Pt 2, Ord Code; Apv & Encouraging the Mayor to Explore Addn'l Early Retirement Benefits for Members of the General Employees Retirement Plan; Directing Chief of Legislative Svcs Upon Adoption to Forward the Resolution to the Mayor's Ofc; Req an Actuarial Report; Req Emerg Passage Upon Intro. (Sawyer) (Introduced by CM Dennis)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Emergency/Amend/Approve 7-0  
8/31/20 TEU Emergency/Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0  
9/1/20 F Emergency/Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0  
9/1/20 R Emergency/Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0

**CM Dennis explained the reason for the bill. CM Dennis said that this is an emergency because the actuary report is needed before they can begin. CM Bowman expressed concerns about the emergency. CM Bowman asked if someone from the administration could address the emergency. Joey Greive, Director of Finance, said that Diane Moser will be involved with the organizational impact and cost savings study. Mr. Peterson explained the amendments.**

**Mr. Greive said that the actuary will look at the rates and who is eligible through the early retirement options and measure the different costs and savings. The study will also look at the workforce side and the savings for new hires and vacancies.**

**CM Dennis said the bill will be edited to reflect the actuary's report when it comes back and then ORD 2020-529 will most likely be substituted. Mr. Greive said that the actuary's assumptions are based on nation wide database and history of Jacksonville.**

**Mr. Greive explained that this will allow people to start their retirement earlier without incurring penalties, but the annual accrual percentage will not be raised.**

#### **EMERGENCY/AMEND/APPROVE**

**Aye:** 7 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Dennis, Bowman and Freeman

#### **AMENDMENT**

- 1. Revise emergency to one-cycle**
- 2. Pg. 1, line 17: strike "Part III" and insert "Part II"**



24. [2020-0540](#) ORD Approp \$174,547.00 in Southside CRA Trust Fund Investmnt Pool Earnings to be Allocated to District Public Infrastructure Activity(\$46,837.75) & to Future Years Debt Reduction (\$127,709.25). (B.T. 20-070) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

25. [2020-0541](#) ORD Approp \$798,124.00 in Northbank CRA Investmnt Pool Earnings & Interest Income to Existing CRA Planned Auth Expenditure Programs (\$300,000 to Urban Art, \$250,000.00 to Loans, & \$247,124.00 to Retail Enhancement Program). (B.T. 20-071) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

26. [2020-0542](#) ORD Approp \$682,795.88 from the Dept of Homeland Security/FEMA through the FDEM to Provide Funding for Purchase of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), Including Operating & Medical Supplies, in Response to the COVID-19, Auth the Mayor, or his designee, & Corp. Secretary to Execute & Deliver for & on Behalf of the City, the Federally-Funded Subaward & Grant Agreement btwn FDEM & COJ; Oversight by Emergency Preparedness Div. (B.T. 20-106) (McCain) (Req of Mayor)  
8/25/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F  
8/31/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer  
9/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer  
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

**READ 2ND & REREFER**

Public Comment

**Chief Keith Powers gave an update on hospital beds. He said that 78% adult regular beds are being used, 71% of ICU beds are at capacity and 15.4 % of those ICU beds are being taken up by COVID-19 patients.**

**CM Freeman told a story about a man helping a young kid get over the Hart Bridge safely.**

**Mr. Carnell Oliver, talked about institutional racism and manipulation in the system.**

**NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Monday, September 14, 2020.**

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

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### **Rollcall**

**Present:** 7 - Chair Randy White, Vice Chair Ju'Coby Pittman, Council Member Danny Becton, Council Member Rory Diamond, Council Member Garrett Dennis, Council Member Aaron Bowman and Council Member Terrance Freeman

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