

City of Jacksonville

117 W Duval St
Jacksonville, FL 32202



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

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

Kevin Carrico

Rory Diamond

Aaron Bowman

Terrance Freeman

Legislative Assistant: Crystal Shemwell

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 TIME: 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Physical Location: Council Chambers

City Hall

117 W. Duval Street

Jacksonville, Florida 32202

(If attending virtually, please join the meeting by 1:45 P.M.)

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Meeting Password: 658923

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Proclamation 2020-005, as extended.

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CCMeeting01262021@coj.net is the designated email for general comments to be including as a part of this meeting.

Meeting Convened: 9:32 AM

Meeting Adjourned: 11:23 AM

Attendance:

- CM Dennis (2020-529, 2020-618)

- CM Morgan

Item/File No.

Title History

1. [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)

2. [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)(Co-Sponsored by CM's Pittman, Diamond, White, Becton, Bowman & Carrico)
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
1/19/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
1/20/21 R Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0

CM Freeman said he had talked with the administration and the agreement was to have the administration give updates on preparedness during the budget process. CM Bowman asked how the resolution will work in terms of having an impact on the process. Brian Hughes, Chief Administration Office, said that they give the council their commitment to add this discussion of essential personnel to the budget process. CM Freeman made an amendment to the bill which reflects the promise Mr. Hughes made to the council in regards to presenting on emergency preparedness during the annual budget process.

AMEND/APPROVE

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

AMENDMENT

1. **The Administration will present an annual report as part of the budget process to provide an update on Essential Personnel so that continuity for essential planning and transparency is available for the employees and the public.**

3. [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
1/19/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
1/19/21 TEU Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0
1/20/21 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 - 8/25/20

CM Becton asked about how the money is to be spent for the location designated in the bill. Robin Smith, Chief of Engineering Construction Management, said that CSX will be removing materials to facilitate the railroad crossing closure.

AMEND/APPROVE

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

AMENDMENT

- 1. Correct amounts in bill and attach Revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to increase funding amount to be received to \$19,500 - \$12,000 from CSX and \$7,500 from FDOT**
- 2. Attach Revised Exhibit 2 (CIP Sheet) to reflect increase in project funding and cost**
- 3. Attach Revised On File document to include updated Stipulation of Parties and Railroad Grade Crossing Application**
- 4. Strike language in bill concerning City entering into separate agreements with CSX and FDOT**
- 5. Revise reasoning for CIP amendment to delaying the desired closing of the railroad crossing**

- City responsible for road closure notification and maintenance of traffic, erection of permanent closure signs and object markers, and erection of traffic control work zone signs and object markers

- CSX responsible for removal of all evidence of the crossing and restoring the railroad's right-of-way

4. [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
9/8/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
1/19/21 NCSPHS Sub/Rerefer 7-0
1/19/21 TEU Sub(NCSPHS)/Rerefer 7-0
1/20/21 F Sub(NCSPHS)/Rerefer 7-0
1/20/21 R Sub(NCSPHS)/Rerefer 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/8/20

Brian Hughes talked about the work that the administration has done to look into the retirement system and how they could create options for early retirement. CM Dennis said the administration has done great work on this issue.

SUB/REREFER

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

5. [2020-0559](#) ORD-MC Creating a New Chapt 797 (Local Option Vessel Registration Fee), Ord Code, Adopting the Local Option Vessel Registration Fee Permitted by State Law; Setting Effective Date of New Local Option Vessel Registration Fee as 1/1/21; Directing the Chief of Legislative Svcs to Forward a Copy of the Ord Upon Enactment to the Tax Collector & to the Mayors of Baldwin, Atlantic Beach, Jax Beach & Neptune Beach; Directing the Tax Collector to Notify the State of Imposition of the New Local Option Vessel Registration Fee. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis)
9/8/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R, JWC
9/14/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/14/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/15/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/15/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
9/22/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R, JWC
10/28/20 JWC Approve 1-7(Fail) (Birtalan, Haskell, Burnett, Devereaux, Hardesty, Ferraro, White)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 9/22/20

DEFER (At request of CM Dennis)

6. [2020-0584](#) ORD-MC Creating a New Chapt 79 (Jacksonville City Council Citizen Review Board), Ord Code; Establishing a New Chapter Creating a Council-Appointed Citizen Review Board to make Recommendations to Council. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis)
9/22/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
10/5/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/6/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/13/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, R
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 10/13/20

DEFER (At request of CM Dennis)

7. [2020-0618](#) ORD Declaring 2133 Broadway Ave, Jax, FL 32209, R.E. # 077143-0000, to be Surplus to the Needs of the City; Auth Conveyance of Subject Parcel to Gateway Community Services, Inc., a FL Not for Profit Corp, at no Cost; Auth Mayor & Corp. Secretary to Execute a Special Warranty Deed & Other Conveyance Documents; Waiving Sec 122.425 (Disposition by Auction or Sealed Bid), Part 4 (Real Property), Chapt. 122 (Public Property), Ord Code, to Allow Donation to Gateway Community Service, Inc.; Providing a Right of Reentry for Failure to use Subject Parcel for Operation of a Behavioral Health Care Facility; Providing Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Real Estate Div. (Dist. 9-Dennis) (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis) (Co-Sponsored by CM's Salem, Newby, Pittman, Priestly Jackson, Dennis, Boylan, Carlucci, DeFoor, Ferraro, Morgan & R. Gaffney)
10/13/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
10/19/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/19/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/27/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
1/5/21 F Amend/Approve 7-0
1/5/21 R Amend(Finance)/Approve 7-0
1/19/21 NCSPHS Amend(Finance)/Approve 7-0
1/19/21 TEU Amend(Finance)/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –10/27/20

Bill Killingsworth, Director of Planning and Development, said that if the operations of the facility as a doctor's office is by appointment only then it would be good under the current zoning. Candy Hodgkins, Gateway Community Services, explained that it will be a medical doctor's office by appointment only with one or two doctors, not a walk-in clinic.

AMEND(FINANCE)/APPROVE

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

FINANCE AMENDMENT

1. Clarify property conveyed “as-is” and maintenance responsibility belongs to Gateway and not the City
2. Gateway to provide annual affidavit confirming use of property and City may seek return of property if affidavit is not provided or property use is inconsistent with purposes set forth in the ordinance
3. Attach Revised Exhibit 3 (Quitclaim Deed), expressing the same
4. Pg. 3, line 3: strike “the”
5. Pg. 3, line 21: strike “constituent” and insert “consistent”

- 2020-618 & 2020-619 propose to surplus adjacent properties, separated by Line St., and donate them to Gateway Community Services, Inc.
- Waives Sec. 122.425 in order to convey the property to Gateway Community Services at no cost rather than auctioning the property or seeking sealed bids.

8. [2020-0619](#) ORD Declaring 0 Line St, Jax, FL 32209, R.E. #077366-0000, to be Surplus to the Needs of the City; Auth Conveyance of Subject Parcel to Gateway Community Services, Inc., a FL Not for Profit Corp, at No Cost; Auth Mayor & Corp Secretary to Execute a Special Warranty Deed & Other Conveyance Documents; Waiving Sec 122.425 (Disposition by Auction or Sealed Bid), Part 4 (Real Property), Chapt 122, Ord Code, to Allow Donation to Gateway Community Services, Inc.; Providing a Right of Reentry for Failure to Use the Subject Parcel for Ancillary use Related to Operation of a Behavioral Health Facility; Providing for Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Real Estate Div. (Dist 9-Dennis) (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis) (Co-Sponsored by CM Salem, Newby, Pittman, Priestly Jackson, Dennis, Boylan, Carlucci, DeFoor, Ferraro, Morgan & R. Gaffney)
- 10/13/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
10/19/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/19/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/27/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
1/5/21 F Amend/Approve 7-0
1/5/21 R Amend(Finance)/Approve 7-0
1/19/21 NCSPHS Amend(Finance)/Approve 7-0
1/19/21 TEU Amend(Finance)/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –10/27/20

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9. [2020-0620](#) ORD-MC Creating a New Part 1 Possession of Twenty Grams or Less of Cannabis or Paraphernalia), Chapt 606 (Drugs), Ord Code, to Create A Civil Citation Within the City of Jax Ord. Code for Possession of 20 Grams or Less of Cannabis or Paraphernalia; Amending Sec. 609.109 (Applicable Chapters and Parts), Chapt. 609, (Code Enforcement Citations), Ord. Code, to Establish New Class Fines in Schedule “A” for Violations of Part 1, Chapt. 609 (Code Enforcement Citations), Ord Code, to Establish New Class of Fines in Schedule “A” for Violations of Part 1 (Possession of 20 Grams or Less of Cannabis or Paraphernalia), Chapt. 606 (Drugs), Ord. Code. Providing for Severability. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Dennis)
10/13/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
10/19/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/20/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
10/27/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt. 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –10/27/20

DEFER (At request of CM Dennis)

10. [2020-0703](#) ORD Approp \$26,500.00 from Special Events – FL GA Game Contingency to Provide Funding to Robert Charles Lesser & Co., LLC (“RCLCO”) for Lot J Consulting & Related Professional Svcs; Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Secretary to Execute an Agreemnt btwn the City of Jax & RCLCO for Strategic Review & Analysis of the Lot J Dev Proj; Invoking the Exception of Sec 126.107(G) (Exemptions), Part 1 (General Regulations), Chapt 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow for a Direct Contract with RCLCO; Waiving Sec 110.112 (Advance of City Funds; Prohibition Against), Part 1 (The City Treasury), Chapt 110 (City Treasury), Ord Code, to Allow for a Partial Advance Paymnt by the City; Requesting Emergency Passage Upon Introduction; Requesting the Mayor Expedite Signature of this Legislation & Related Contract to Afford Time for RCLCO to Review the Lot J Dev Proj; Providing for Oversight by the Office of the Council Secretary. (Sidman) (Introduced by CM Carlucci and DeFoor)
- 11/24/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
11/30/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/30/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/8/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
1/19/21 NCSPHS Withdraw 7-0
1/19/21 TEU Withdraw 7-0
1/20/21 F Withdraw 7-0
1/20/21 R Withdraw 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 12/8/20

WITHDRAW

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

11. [2020-0707](#) ORD Making Certain Findings, & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, to Execute a Redevelopment Agreement (“Redevelopment Agreement”) btwn the City of Jacksonville (“City”), the Downtown Investment Authority (“DIA”), & PEP10 LLC (“Developer”), to Support the Renovation by Developer of the Former Independent Life Building (“Building”) Located at 233 W. Duval St & Associated Parking Lot in the Northbank Downtown Community Redevelopment Area (“Project”); Auth a Downtown Historic Preservation & Revitalization Trust Fund Grant in the Amount of \$3,000,000.00 to the Developer in Connection with the Renovations to the Building, to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Waiving the Downtown Historic Preservation & Revitalization Trust Fund Guidelines Auth by 2002-395-E to Auth Grants in Excess of \$1,000,000.00 for the Project; Designating the DIA as Contract Monitor for the Redevelopment Agreement; Providing for City Oversight of the Project by the Dept of Public Works & the DIA; Auth the Execution of All Documents Relating to the Above Agreement & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Documents. (Sawyer) (Req of DIA)
11/24/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
11/30/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
11/30/20 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/8/20 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
1/19/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
1/19/21 TEU Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0
1/20/21 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0
1/20/21 R Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 12/8/20

Steve Kelley, Downtown Investment Authority, explained the legislation which authorizes a Downtown Historic Preservation & Revitalization Trust Fund Grant in the amount of \$3,000,000 to the developer in connection with the renovations of the building. CM Becton raised concerns about the fund not having sufficient money which was reflected in the auditor's notes. Mr. Kelley said that the reallocation of funds from other projects will allow for this project to be paid for with sufficient funds. Phillip Peterson, Auditor's Office, explained the auditor's notes and how DIA could unencumber their funds to pay for the project. CM Bowman asked about the amount of funding in the trust fund. Mr. Peterson said that additional funds are added when approved projects begin construction.

AMEND/APPROVE

See Auditor's summary on pg. 20

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

AMENDMENT

1. Pg. 2, line 12: strike “an” after “of”
 2. Pg. 2, line 24: strike comma after “Jacksonville”
 3. Attach revised Exhibit 1 to correct total costs incurred as of 5/1/20
12. [2020-0730](#) ORD-MC Regarding Chapt 656 (Zoning Code), Ord Code; Amending Sec 656.401 (Performance Standards & Development Criteria), Part A (Performance Standards & Development Criteria), Part 4 (Supplementary Regulations), Chapt 656 (Zoning Code, Ord Code, to Permit Swimming Lessons as a Home Occupation, Subject to Performance Standards & Development Criteria. (Eller) (Introduced by CM Freeman) (PD & PC Apv) (Co-Sponsored by CM's Pittman, Diamond, White, Becton, Bowman & Carrico)
11/24/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, LUZ
11/30/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/8/20 CO Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, R, LUZ
1/12/21 CO PH Addn'l PH 1/26/21
1/19/21 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
LUZ PH – 1/20/21
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166.041(3)(c)(2) F.S. & CR 3.601–
1/12/21 & 1/26/21

Shannon Eller, Office of General Counsel, explained the bill and that it will allow for at home swimming lessons with an amendment to the zoning code. Ms. Eller also outlined the criteria for the zoning around swimming lessons at home. All members on NCSPHS asked to be added as co-sponsors.

APPROVE

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

13. [2020-0731](#) ORD–MC Amending Chapt 656 (Zoning Code), Pt 13 (Sign Regulations), Subpt A (General Provisions), Sec 656.1303 (Zoning Limitations on Signs), Ord Code, to Revise Limitations for Signs in the Residential Office (RO) Zoning District. (Grandin) (Introduced by CM DeFoor) (PD & PC Apv)
11/24/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, LUZ
11/30/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/8/20 CO Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, LUZ
1/12/21 CO PH Only
1/19/21 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
LUZ PH-1/20/21
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 1/12/21

Susan Grandin, Office of General Counsel,

CM Becton asked if this rezoning is only for the Riverside Overlay or city wide. Mr. Killingsworth said that although this is for the historic district the ordinance would not be restricted to the historic overlay, but could be used city wide. The only residential office zoning districts currently are found in that historic district.

APPROVE

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

14. [2020-0742](#) RESO Requesting the Downtown Investment Authority (“DIA”) to Perform Powers & Duties Required by Chapt. 55, Ord. Code, Concerning the Proj. Entitled Lot J; Directing the DIA to Review, Analyze & Negotiate the Contracts on File with ord. 2020-648; Requesting DIA to Review the Lot J Plan with all the Developer’s Proposed Financial Information; Requesting that the City Designate the Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) of the DIA or his or her Designee to be the Proj. Coordinator for the Lot J Proj; Providing for DIA Approval; Providing DIA Time to Review; Providing for Report of Findings to Council from DIA, as well as Filing of Applicable Legislation, Upon Completion of a Review of the Lot J Project, Including Review of the Rev Grant, with the Overall Marketing Plan for Downtown; Req Emergency Action Upon Introduction. (Sidman) (Introduced by CM Carlucci)
11/24/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
11/30/20 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/1/20 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
12/8/20 CO Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F, R
1/19/21 NCSPHS Withdraw 7-0
1/20/21 F Withdraw 7-0

WITHDRAW

- Aye:** 7 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Bowman, Freeman and Carrico
15. [2020-0757](#) ORD-MC Amending Sec 655.508 (Mobility Fee Contract), Pt 5 (Mobility Fee), Chapt 655 (Concurrency & Mobility Management System), Ord Code, to Clarify the Allowance of a Mobility Fee Contract to Memorialize Credits Against Future Mobility Fee Payments for the Cost Related to the Demolition & Repurposing of an Existing Structure or Improvemnt. (Diamond) (Introduced by CM Diamond)
12/8/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R, LUZ
1/4/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/4/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/12/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R, LUZ
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 1/12/21

CM Diamond explained the bill and that its aim is directed at getting rid of blight in the city. Mr. Killingsworth said the administration did not support the bill. CM Diamond asked to defer so changes could be made to make both sides happy with the legislation.

DEFER (At request of CM Diamond)

16. [2020-0758](#) ORD Approp \$140,000 from the Social Justice & Community Investment Special Committee Contingency to Kids Hope Alliance (“KHA”) to Allow KHA to Prov Funding to the Teen Court Program; Auth KHA to Prov Funding in the Amount of \$140,000 to Teen Court to Prov 2.5 Case Managers & Addn’l Counseling; Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Secretary, and/or the CEO of the KHA to Execute & Deliver a Svcs Contract w/Teen Court to Prov the Svcs Specified in this Ord; Invoking the Exception of Sec 126.107 (G) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Chapt 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, Regarding the Svcs to be Provided by Teen Court; Waiving the Requirements of Chapt 77 (KHA), Sec 71.111 (A) (Provider Contracts), Ord Code, to Exempt the Svcs to be Provided by Teen Court from Competitive Procuremnt; Providing for Oversight by the KHA. (Sidman) (CM Carlucci)
12/8/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R, SJCIC
1/4/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/12/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F, R, SJCIC
1/19/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 4-3 (Becton, Diamond, Bowman)
1/20/21 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 1/12/21

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. CM Bowman said he cannot support the legislation and CM Becton said this does not address the neighborhoods that are being left behind.

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 4 - White, Pittman, Freeman and Carrico

Nay: 3 - Becton, Diamond and Bowman

AMENDMENT

- 1. Clarify contract will be with Fourth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida**
- 2. Clarify reason for waiver of 77.111(a) is that Fourth Judicial Circuit Courts are the sole provider of the Duval County Teen Court Program**

Waives the requirement in Sec. 77.111(a) that provider Contracts shall be competitively procured under Chapter 126, Ordinance Code, via an evaluated bid process in order to direct contract with the Fourth Judicial Circuit Courts of Florida for Teen Court services.

17. [2020-0759](#) ORD-MC Relating to Public Order & Safety; Amending Chapt 614, Ord Code; Creating a New Sec 614.102 (Large Gatherings Prohibited) to Prohibit Large Gatherings as it Relates to Public Health & Safety; Creating a New Subsection Defining “Large Gatherings” as 50 or More Individuals on or Near Public Rights-of-Way or Buildings; Creating a New Subsection (Owner’s Consent Required; Notice of Prohibited Large Gatherings; Sunset Provision on 12/31/21) that Provides that the Owner, Lessee, Managing Agent or Person in Charge of a Building or Propty may Auth a Law Enforcement Officer to Reasonably Request a Person to Leave the Building or Propty & May be Subject to a \$500.00 Civil Penalty for Failing to do so; Creating a New Subsection (Exceptions) to Exempt Individuals who Receive Apvl for Special Event Permits & Individuals Exercising 1st Amendmnt Rights; Creating a New Subsection (Penalty) to Prov for Warnings for a 1st Violation & a Civil Fine of \$25.00 After Receipt of a Prior Written Warning. (Pollock) (Introduced by CM Pittman) (Co-Sponsored by CM's Diamond, Freeman, Cumber, Carlucci, Salem & Morgan)
12/8/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
1/4/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/12/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F, R
1/19/21 NCSPHS Approve 6-1 (Becton)
1/20/21 F Approve 3-3 Failed (DeFoor, Priestly Jackson, Dennis)
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CM Pittman explained the legislation and voiced her concerns about large gatherings both for covid-19 safety and public safety in general. Cherry Pollock, Office of General Counsel, explained the legislation and that the focus is on putting more responsibility on the owner of the property where parties occur. CM Becton said he would like to hear from the Sheriff's Office how they feel about the legislation and how it would impact their work. CM Becton said he is uncomfortable micromanaging public behavior. CM Freeman and CM Diamond voiced their support of the legislation. CM Carrico asked if this legislation is just for covid-19 regulations. CM Pittman said this is not just for covid-19 regulating of gatherings.

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - White, Pittman, Diamond, Bowman, Freeman and Carrico

Nay: 1 - Becton

18. [2020-0760](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver that Certain License Agreement (Office Space w/in Building) (“License”) btwn the City of Jacksonville (“City”) & Lutheran Svcs FL, Inc. (“Tenant”) Auth Tenant to Occupy & Use Approx 2,000 Sq Ft of Office Space w/in KHA Building, Located at 1095 A. Philip Randolph Blvd, Jax, FL 32206, at no Cost to Tenant; Apv & Auth Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver that Certain 3rd Amendmnt to Lease Agreement btwn the City & Tenant to Eliminate the Monthly Rental Paymnt Beginning 2/1/21 for Tenant’s Cont’d Lease of the Don Brewer Center, Located at 1095 A. Philip Randolph Blvd, Jax, FL 32206; Providing Further Auth; Providing for Oversight by KHA. (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
12/8/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/4/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/12/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F
1/19/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
1/20/21 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 1/12/21

AMEND/APPROVE

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

AMENDMENT

1. Attach revised Exhibit 2 (Third Amendment to Lease) to:
- Indicate that space will be used for early learning childcare and programming, and
 - Correct Payment Schedule to accurately reflect the agreement as amended.
2. Pg. 1, line 16: strike “AUTHORIZNG” and insert “AUTHORIZING”

19. [2020-0761](#) ORD Apv & Auth Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver that Certain License Agreement (Office Space w/in Building) (“License”) btwn the City of Jacksonville (“City”) & Managed Access to Child Health, Inc. (“License”) Auth License to Occupy & Use Approx 6,352 Sq Ft of Office Space w/in KHA, Located at 1095 A. Philip Randolph Blvd., Jax, FL 32206, at no Cost to License; Providing Further Auth; Providing for Oversight by KHA (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
12/8/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/4/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/12/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F
1/19/21 NCSPHS Approve 7-0
1/20/21 F Approve 6-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 1/12/21

APPROVE

- Aye:** 7 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Bowman, Freeman and Carrico
20. [2020-0762](#) ORD Approp \$5,000,000.00 FY 2020 COPS Hiring Program Grant (The "Grant") from the U.S. Dept of Justice ("DOJ")/Office of Community Oriented Policing Svcs ("COPS") & Approp \$749,151.52 to Cover the Required Local Match from the City of Jacksonville ("City") for the 1st Yr of the Grant & Addn'l Operating Expenses to Train & Outfit 40 New Police Officer Positions within JSO to be Hired Under the Grant; Auth said Positions; Apv & Auth Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Secretary, to Execute & Deliver that Certain COPS Hiring Program Grant Award Document (Award# 2020ULWX0031) btwn DOJ/COPS & City of Jax; Providing for City Oversight by JSO. (B.T. 21-025) (R.C. 21-038) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsored by CM's Pittman, Diamond, White, Becton, Bowman, Carrico, Freeman, DeFoor & Carlucci)
12/8/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/4/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/12/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F
1/19/21 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 7-0
1/20/21 F Amend(NCSPHS)/Approve 6-0
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Bill Clement, Chief of Budget and Management for the Sheriff's Office, said this legislation will fund an additional 40 officers. Every member of NCSPHS asked to be added as co-sponsors.

AMEND/APPROVE

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

AMENDMENT

1. Amend Section 4 to indicate

- \$274,882.50 of the \$749,151.52 in City funds will be counted towards the City's total match requirement of \$2,241,550 with remaining \$474,269.02 being used for benefits, training and equipment related to the grant but does not qualify as City match.
- City match appropriated in this bill is for FY 2020/21 portion only

2. Pg. 1, line 1: strike duplicate "President"

The anticipate future City costs to employ and outfit these 40 officers is \$7,801,046:

- FY 20/21 - \$749,151 (6 months)
- FY 21/22 - \$2,537,539
- FY 22/23 - \$758,640
- FY 23/24 - \$2,292,699
- FY 24/25 - \$1,463,017 (6 months)

FY 24/25 costs only calculated to end of grant required retention period.

21. [2020-0763](#) ORD-MC Approp \$65,000.00 from KHA Program Funds to Transfer \$29,000.00 to the Jax Public Library General Fund for Admin of the Jax Kids Book Club & \$36,000.00 to the Board of Library Trustees Trust Fund for the Story Journeys Summer Learning Program; Amending Chapt 111 (Special Rev & Trust Accounts), Pt 8 (Education, Library & Children), Sec 111.880 (Jax Kids Book Club Education Special Rev Fund), Ord Code, to Auth Oversight of Jax Kids Book Club Education Special Rev Fund by the Library Director & Board of Library Trustees in Lieu of Chief Executive Officer & Board of the KHA; Providing for Codification Instructions. (B.T. 21-026) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsored by CM Morgan)
12/8/20 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/4/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/5/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/12/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred: NCSPHS, F
1/19/21 NCSPHS Approve 5-0-2 (Freeman, Carrico)
1/20/21 F Approve 6-0
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CM Freeman and CM Carrico abstained from the vote due to a conflict of interest.

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - White, Pittman, Becton, Diamond and Bowman

Abstain: 2 - Freeman and Carrico

- Total annual cost to operate the book club is approximately \$98,000
- Total annual cost to operate the summer learning program is approximately \$55,000
- Remaining portions of program funding will come from the Library

22. [2021-0020](#) ORD Re-Approp \$1,484,210 in Existing Federal Income Investment Partnership (Home) Grant Prog. Funds from the U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Developmnt., Originally Approp. by Ord. 2020-258-E, to Provide Funding for Downpayment Assistance & Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing for Rent or Ownership by Low-& Moderate-Income Individuals & Families. (B. T. 21-024) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
1/12/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/19/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/20/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –1/26/21

READ 2ND & REREFER

23. [2021-0021](#) ORD Providing for & Auth the Issuance by the City of Jax ,FL of its Health Care Facilities Revenue Bonds (Baptist Health), Series 2021, in One or More Taxable or Tax-Exempt Series, from Time to Time, in an Aggregate Principal Amt not to Exceed \$150,000,000, & Providing for & Auth One or More Loans by the City to Southern Baptist Hospital of FL, Inc. (D/B/A Baptist Medical Ctr Jax, Baptist Medical Ctr S. & Wolfson Children's Hospital), a FL Not for Profit Corp. (The "Borrower"), in an Aggregate Principal Amt Equal to the Aggregate Principal Amt of Said Bonds, for the Purposes of Financing, Refinancing & Reimbursing all or a Portion of the Costs of Certain Capital Expenditures at Certain Health Care Facilities of the Borrower & its Affiliates & Related Parties, Including Without Limitation the Acquisition, Planning, Developmnt, Constructn, Renovation, Improvement, Equipping & Installation of Certain Capital Proj's Described herein Duval County & Clay County, FL; Providing that Said Bonds Shall Not Constitute a Debt., Liability or Obligation of the City or of the State of FL or Any Political Subdiv. Thereof, but Shall be Payable Solely from the Revenues Herein Provided; Appting a Bond Trustee; Auth a Delegated Negotiated Sale of Said Bonds, Approving the Conditions & Criteria for Such Sale, & Auth the Economic Development Officer of the City of Jax, FL of the City of Jax, FL to Award the Negotiated Sale of the Bonds to the Purchase; Apv & Auth the Execution & Delivery of Certain Docs. Required in Connection with the Foregoing; Making Certain Other Appts; Providing Certain Other Details in Connection Therewith, all Pursuant to Chapt. 159, Pt II, F.S., as Amended, Sec. 163.01, F.S., as Amended, & Other Applicable Provisions of Law. (Dillard) (Req of Mayor)
1/12/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/19/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/20/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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24. [2021-0022](#) ORD Approp \$200,000 from the Social Justice & Community Investmnt Special Committee Contingency for the JaxCareConnect Program (\$80,000 to We Care Jax, Inc. & \$120,000 to 6 Clinics (\$20,000 to Each Clinic)); Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or his Desginee, & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver, an Agreemnt btwn the City of Jax & We Care Jax, Inc.; Invoking the Exception in Sec 126.107(G), Ord Code, to Allow Direct Contract with We Car Jax, Inc. to Provide the Services for JaxCareConnect; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver, Agreemnts btwn the City of Jax & Agape Community Health Ctr,Inc., WestJax Outreach DBA Community Health Health Outreach,, Muslim American Social Svcs (Mass), Mission House, I.M. Sulzbacher Ctr for the Homeless, Inc., & Volunteers in Medicine; Invoking the Exception in Sec 126.107(G), Ord Code, to Allow Direct Contract w/the 6 Clinics; Providing for Oversight by the Office of Grants & Contract Compliance. (Sidman) (Introduced by CM Boylan) (Co-Sponsored by CM Salem)
1/12/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
1/19/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/20/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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25. [2021-0023](#) ORD Approp \$200,000 for the Social Justice & Community Invesmnt Special Committee Contingency for the Operation Boost! Program (\$100,000 to Workforce Industrial Training, LLC (“WIT”) & \$100,000 FSCJ; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver, an Agreemnt btwn the City of Jax & Workforce Industrial Training, LLC; Invoking the Exception in Sec 126.107(G), Ord Code, to Allow Direct Contract with Workforce Industrial Training, LLC to Provide the Svcs for Operation Boost! Apv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver, an Agreemnt btwn the City of Jax & FSCJ; Invoking the Exception in Sec 126.107(G), Ord Code, to Allow Direct Contract with FSCJ to Provide Svcs for Operation Boost!; Waiving Sec 110.112 (Advance of the City Funds; Prohibition Against), Pt 1 (the City Treasury), Chapt 110 (City Treasury) Ord Code, to Allow for a Partial Advance Paymnt by the City; Providing Oversight by the Office of Grants & Contract Compliance. (Sidman) (Introduced by CVP Newby) (Co-Sponsored by CMs Salem, Priestly Jackson, DeFoor, White, Carlucci, Boylan)
1/12/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
1/19/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/20/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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26. [2021-0024](#) ORD Approp from \$200,000 from the Social Justice & Community Investmnt Special Committee Contingency to Neighbors Dept – Municipal Code Compliance Div for a Neighborhood Blight & Clean-up Pilot Program in the Brentwood Neighborhood.(Sidman) (Introduced by CMs DeFoor & White) (Co-Sponsored by CM Salem)
1/12/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
1/19/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/20/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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27. [2021-0038](#) ORD-Declaring Certain Parcel of Real Propty (R.E. #122708-0000) at 0 E 1st St btwn A. Philip Randolph Blvd & Franklin St., to be Surplus to the Needs of the City; Providing for the Direct Sale of the Surplus Propty; Waiving the Provisions of Sec 122.423 (Disposition for Affordable Housing), Chapt 122 (Public Property), Ord Code, to Allow for the Direct Sale of the Parcel to Jared Williams & Marquita Williams, Adjacent Propty Owners at the Negotiated Sales Price of \$3,700; Providing Auth to the Mayor & Corp Secretary to Execute a Quit-Claim Deed.(Dist. 7-R.Gaffney) (Johnston) (Introduced by CM R.Gaffney)
1/12/21 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R, LUZ
1/19/21 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/19/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
1/20/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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**Council Auditor's Office
2020-707**

Summary:

This bill will authorize the execution of a Redevelopment Agreement for the renovation of the Independent Life building (located at 233 West Duval Street) and the construction of approximately 140 residential apartments, an approximately 21,000 square foot grocery store, and an approximately 10,000 square foot restaurant and lounge. The Redevelopment Agreement authorizes a \$3,000,000 grant from the Downtown Historic Preservation and Revitalization Trust Fund (HPTF) for the renovation of the Independent Life Building. The grant will be appropriated by future legislation. Private Developer investment of \$30,000,000 is required in order to receive the grant.

Ordinance 2020-527-E revised the guidelines for the HPTF and authorized a 90-day phase in period in which applicants could apply under the former guidelines approved by Ord. 2002-395-E or the revised guidelines. The developer for the Independent Life project has applied under the former guidelines. This bill waives the former guidelines to approve a grant in excess of \$1,000,000.

According to DIA's calculation, the project will generate a return on investment of 0.76.

Concern:

The HPTF is over committed. Below is a summary of proposed commitments from the HPTF which could impact the General Fund/GSD.

HPTF Available Balance as of 12/8/20 = \$989,950

Appropriated Projects (see footnote):

2017-403-E Barnett Bank Building - \$4,000,000

Committed Projects:

2017-403-E - Laura Street Trio - \$4,000,000

2018-630-E - Jones Brothers Furniture - \$1,500,000

2020-230-E - Ambassador Hotel - \$1,500,000

Masonic Lodge (DIA Resolution 2018-03-04) - \$50,000

Total Committed Projects = \$7,050,000

Shortfall for DIA Committed Projects = (\$2,060,050)

Footnote:

The Barnett Bank Building project is in default. The \$4,000,000 appropriated for this project can be de-appropriated and used to fund the committed projects shown above.

Public Comment:

Carnell Oliver talked about tax homestead exemptions and raising the mileage rate.

Stanley Scott said he was appalled how the waterways of Jacksonville are not benefiting everyone in Jacksonville and said there is a class problem in the city.

John Nooney talked about the boat ramp at Beach Boulevard which is out of order and said that UHaul could be a corporate sponsor that could help to fix the boat ramp.

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

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Monday, February 1, 2021.

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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 Aaron Bowman, Council Member Terrance Freeman and Council Member Kevin Carrico

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