

City of Jacksonville

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Jacksonville, FL 32202



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 19, 2022

9:30 AM

Council Chambers 1st Floor, City Hall

Finance Committee

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Michael Boylan

Matt Carlucci

Terrance Freeman

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Ju'Coby Pittman

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Meeting Convened: 9:32 A.M. Meeting Adjourned: 11:28 A.M.

Attendance:

Council Members Ron Salem (Chair), Danny Becton, Michael Boylan, Matt Carlucci, Terrance Freeman, Reggie Gaffney, JuCoby Pittman

Also: Barbara Hobson – Legislative Services Division; Paige Johnston and Mary Staffopolous– Office of General Counsel; Kim Taylor and Phillip Peterson – Council Auditor’s Office; Eric Grantham – Information Support Services; Jeff Clements – Council Research Division; Charles Moreland and Rachel Zimmer – Mayor’s Office; Joey Greive – Finance and Administration Department; Lori Boyer – DIA; Keith Powers – Fire and Rescue Department
Reggie Gaffney was called to speak

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Emergency Rental Assistance Program Update

Deputy CAO Charles Moreland gave the ERAP update. ERAP 1 is closed out and only \$1.4M remains in ERAP 2 which will be paid out shortly. He distributed a map of the city showing the amount of ERAP funding distributed by Zip Code. Council Member Gaffney asked Mr. Moreland what the City can do about the fact that out-of-town investors are buying up so much of the city’s housing stock when there is a shortage of affordable housing. Mr. Moreland said that Bryan Mosier, Director of the Neighborhoods Department, will get in touch with Mr. Gaffney to discuss this problem. Council Member Pittman echoed Mr. Gaffney’s concern about the rising price of housing driven by investor purchases of available housing pricing residents out of their accommodations.

1. [2021-0855](#) ORD Declaring 9216 1st Ave, Jax, FL 32208 (R.E. #-036499-0000), btwn Soutel Dr. & Belvedere St., to be surplus to needs of the City; Auth Convey of subject parcel to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc., a FL not for profit corp, at no cost; Auth Mayor & Corp Secretary to execute a quitclaim deed & other convey docs; Waiving Sec. 122.425 (dispo by auction or sealed bid), Pt 4 (Real Prop), Chpt 122 (Public Prop), Ord Code, to allow donation to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc.; Providing a right of reentry for failure to use subject parcel for the operation of a wellness clinic and/or Comm Outreach Ctr; Prov for City Oversight by the Dept of Public Works, Real Estate Div (Dist 8-Pittman)(Johnston) (Introduced by CMs Ferraro & Pittman) (Co-Sponsors CMs R. Gaffney & Freeman)
- 11/23/21 CO Introduced: TEU, F, R
 12/6/21 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/7/21 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 12/14/21 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:TEU, F, R
 1/3/22 TEU Amend/Approve 6-1 (CM Cumber)
 4/19/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 4/19/22 R Amend/Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-12/14/21

Phillip Peterson explained the amendments. CM's Ferraro and Pittman advocated for the project to provide a needed community wellness asset. CFO Joey Greive described the liens currently pending on 2 of the properties and said that one of the liens is practically closed out and work is underway on the other and could be completed by next week. Chairman Salem expressed his preference to have all of the liens completely resolved before he votes for the bill. Pastor Leon Key of Christ the Living Cornerstone described the intent of the wellness facility and programming. CMs Gaffney and Freeman advocated for the project and thanked Pastor Key for his persistence in pursuing the project through some challenges. In response to a question from CM Becton, Pastor Key provided more detail about the programs and services to be provided. In response to a question from CM Becton about whether the zoning of the property is appropriate for the proposed uses, Paige Johnston said that the Planning Department has indicated that the proposed use fits under the current land use category but a review by the Planning Commission may be needed to confirm if further zoning approvals are needed.

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Reggie Gaffney was called to speak

Terrance Freeman was called to speak Danny Becton was called to speak

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Danny Becton was called to speak

Reggie Gaffney was called to speak

Al Ferraro was called to speak

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

- 2. [2022-0060](#) ORD-MC Relocating the Derelict Vessel & Floating Structure Removal Fund from Chapt 110, Pt 4, Sec. 110.414 to Chapt 111, Pt 7, Sec. 111.787; Repealing Sec 110.414 (Derelict Vessel & Floating Structure Removal Trust Fund), Pt 4 (Continuing Approps), Chapt 110 (City Treasury), Ord Code; Creating a New Sec 111.787 (Derelict & Abandoned vessels & Floating Structure Enforcement & Removal Trust Fund), Pt 7 (Environment & Conservation), Chapt 111 (Special Revenue & Trust Accts), Ord Code. (Grandin) (Introduced by CM DeFoor)
 1/25/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
 1/31/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/31/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 2/1/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 2/8/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, TEU, F,
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-2/8/22

DEFER

- 3. [2022-0061](#) ORD-MC Approp \$310,500 in the Derelict Vessel & Floating Structure Removal Fund from the Parks Dept to Neighborhoods Dept in order to Provide the Neighborhoods Dept Funding to Implement & Enforce the Newly Created Chapt 388, Ord Code (Boats & Waterways);Amend Chapt 388 (Boats & Waterways),Ord Code, to Create a New Pt 4 (Anchoring Limitation Areas); Providing that Council is Exercising County Powers; Providing for Codification Instructions; Providing Directive to Neighborhoods Dept. (Grandin) (Introduced by CM DeFoor)
 1/25/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
 1/31/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/31/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 2/1/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 2/8/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, TEU, F
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601-2/8/22

DEFER

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

4. [2022-0161](#) ORD-MC Approp \$144,000 in Grant Funding from the U.S. Dept of Housing & Urban Development's Fair Housing Assistance Prog to the Jax Human Rights Commission ("JHRC") to Fund JHRC Fair Housing Assistance Activities; Purpose of Approp; Creating a New Sec.111.260 (Jax Human Rights Commission Fair Housing Assistance Prog Trust Fund), Pt 2 (Health & Human Svcs), Chapt 111 (Special Rev & Trust Accts), Ord Code; Providing for Codification Instructions. (B.T. 22-048) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at the Req of Mayor)
 3/8/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
 3/14/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/15/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/15/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/22/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rereferred:NCSPHS, F, R
 4/18/22 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 4/19/22 R Amend/Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 –3/22/22

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment.

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

5. [2022-0207](#) ORD Appropriating Grant Funds in the Amt of \$35,000.00 from the FL Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (the "FWC") for Reimbursement of the COJ's costs to Remove & Dispose of 2 Derelict Vessels located in Public Waterways in the COJ; Purpose of Approp; Providing for Oversight by Neighborhoods Dept Environmental Quality Div. (B.T. 22-054) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Mayor) (JWC Apv)
 3/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
 4/4/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/18/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
 4/18/22 TEU Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 F Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Melissa Long, Chief of the Environmental Quality Division, described the purpose of the grant.

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

6. [2022-0208](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver that Certain Purchase & Sale Agreement (the "Agreement") btwn COJ & The Potter's House Christian Fellowship, Inc., & all Closing & Other Docs Relating Thereto, & Otherwise Take all Necessary Action to Effectuate the Purposes of the Agreement for Acquisition by the City of 2.1+ Acre Located Near the Corner of Lenox Ave & Lane Ave South – ("the Property") & a Perpetual Construction, Maintenance, & Drainage Easement as More Particularly Described in the Agreement (the "Easement"), at the Negotiated Purchase Price of \$354,012.12, to be Developed as a New Fire Station 22 Site; Providing for Oversight by the Real Estate Div & Thereafter Jax Fire & Rescue Dept. (R.E. #011778-0005) (Dist. 10 – Priestly Jackson) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at the Req of Mayor)
 3/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 4/4/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/18/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 F Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Renee Hunter of the Real Estate Division explained the land purchase for the fire station and the easements that will be reserved on the property. In response to a question from CM Pittman, Chief Powers said the new station will be a replacement for existing station #22 which is relocating due to the construction of another new station in the area.

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

7. [2022-0209](#) ORD Approp \$161,918.00 From the Mosquito Control State Subfund (00112) Fund Balance to be Used for Mosquito Control Div Operational Expenses, including Purchase of Equip & Supplies, During FY 2021-2022 & to Leverage a Current, Time-Limited Reimb Grant from the FL Dept of Health to Fund Activities Designed to Combat Tropical Storm-Induced Mosquito Infestations and Mosquito-Borne Virus Outbreaks, w/ No Local Match, Purpose of Appropriation. (B.T. 22-058) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor)
3/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
4/4/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/12/22 CO PH Only
4/18/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0
4/19/22 F Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Bryan Mosier, Director of the Neighborhoods Department, described the uses of the funding.

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

8. [2022-0211](#) ORD Appropriating \$36,000.00 from the Environmental Protection Fund (the "Fund") to Provide Funding for Natural Resource Education Outreach Activities hosted by the Duval Soil & Water District (the "District"); Purpose of Approp; Providing for Carryover of Funds thru September 30, 2025; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a Memorandum of Understanding btw the COJ Environmental Protection Board and the Duval Soil & Water Conservation District; 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 Payment by the City; Providing for Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept; Requiring Annual Reporting to the Jax Environmental Protection Board (B.T. 22-055) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor) (JWC Apv)
 3/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R, JWC
 4/4/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/18/22 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/18/22 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 4/19/22 R Amend/Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Melissa Long, Chief of the Environmental Quality Division, described the uses of the funds.

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

- 9. [2022-0212](#) ORD Appropriating \$249,938.00, including \$187,453.50 Grant Funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (“FEMA”), thru the State of FL Division of Emergency Management under the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, & \$62,484.50 from General Fund Operating Reserves for the Required 25% City Match, to be used for Installation of Wind Resistant Bay Doors & Hurricane Shutters at the County Port Security Disaster Warehouse (the “Project”); Purpose for Appropriation; Amd the 2022-2026 5 Yr CAP Apvd by Ord 2021-505-E to Reflect this Approp for the Project; Providing for Oversight by the Jax Fire & Rescue Dept, Emergency Preparedness Division (B. T. 22-057) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at the Req of Mayor)
 3/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F
 4/4/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/18/22 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/18/22 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Todd Smith, Chief of the Emergency Preparedness Division, described the fire station improvements. Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. CM Boylan asked about any applicable FEMA regulations on these doors. Mr. Smith said the doors would be acquired through a normal procurement process.

Michael Boylan was called to speak

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

- 10. [2022-0214](#) ORD Regarding Chapter 118 (City Grants), Ord Code; Established the 2022-2023 Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons & Needs for Public Svc Grant Approp. (Sidman) (Introduced by CP Newby, Pursuant to Sec. 118.804 & at the Req of the Public Svc Grant Council)
 3/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
 4/4/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/18/22 NCSPHS Approve 6-0; Reconsider/Approve 5-0-1 (Pittman - Abstain)
 4/19/22 F Approve 5-0-2 (Pittman, Gaffney - Abstain)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Bob Baldwin, Chair of the Public Service Grant Council, said that the council slightly adjusted the percentages of funding among the same categories as last year. CM Pittman said she would abstain from the vote because her agency is often funded by PSGs. CM Gaffney also announced that he would be abstaining for the same reason. Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Reggie Gaffney was called to speak

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci and Freeman

Abstain: 2 - Gaffney and Pittman

11. [2022-0215](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver, for & on behalf of the City, that certain Sovereignty Submerged Lands Lease (BOT File # 160359172) btwn the City of Jax, Jax University, & the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of FL (The "Lease"), for the Purpose of Securing Submerged Land for Construction & Operation of a 4-Slip (10,065 Sq Ft) Commercial Docking Facility on the St. Johns River in the Mayport Community for Mooring of Commercial Vessels & to Support the Jax University Oearch Vessel, for a 10 Yr Initial Term Commencing 9/21/21, with an Initial Annual Lease fee of \$4, 960.10, plus a 25% Surcharge & Sales Tax, Subject to Annual Adjustments to the Lease Fee thereafter in Accord. With 18-21.011FL Admin Cod; Oversight of Acquisition, Execution & Recording of the Lease by the Real Estate Div., P.W. Dept., & Oversight of the Lease & Docking Facility by the Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs Dept. (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at Req of Mayor) (JWC Apv)
 3/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, JWC
 4/4/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/18/22 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/18/22 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Phillip Peterson explained the amendments. Renee Hunter of the Real Estate Division described the dock to be constructed and the submerged land lease in partnership with Jacksonville University. CM Boylan said this dock was discussed at length in the Waterways Commission last week and that their understanding was that commercial users of the dock will be charged a fee.

Michael Boylan was called to speak

AMEND./APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

12. [2022-0216](#) ORD Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee & Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver, that certain Lease Agreement (The "Lease") btwn the City of Jax & Mayo Clinic Jax (a NonProfit Corp) ("Tenant") Pursuant to which the Tenant will Lease Approx 3,072Sq Ft of Space on the 1st Flr of the Ed Ball Bldg, at 214 Hogan St, Jax, Fl 32202 (R.E. # 073768-1000), for an Initial Term of 5 Yrs w/Options to Renew for 2 Addnt'l Consecutive terms of 5 Yrs each, at an Initial Annual Base Rental Rate of \$49,152.00 (\$16.00 Sq Ft), with 3% Annual Increases thereafter; Apv & Auth the Chief Executive Officer of the DIA, or his Designee, to Execute & Deliver a Parking Agreement btwn the DIA & Tenant, Granting Tenant Non-Exclusive Access to the Ed Ball Garage for Use of up to 6 Unreserved Parking, Spaces for Tenant & its Auth Employees, Patients & Customers, Commencing on the Date of Execution by Both Parties & Terminating upon Exp or Earlier Termination of the Lease, Subject to Payment by Tenant of a Monthly Access fee per Monthly Access card Issued & Monthly Payment for each Validated parking Ticket Granted by Tenant; Designating the Chief executive Officer of the DIA as the Auth Official for the Parking Agreement; Oversight of the lease by the Real Estate Div of the dept of P.W. & Oversight of the Parking Agreement by the DIA. (Dist 7- R. Gaffney)(Staffopoulos)(Introduced by CP at the Req of the Mayor)
- 3/22/22 CO Introduced: TEU, F
 4/4/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/18/22 TEU Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 F Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Renee Hunter described the lease agreement for the Ed Ball Building first floor space. Lori Boyer, CEO of the DIA, described the parking agreement for 6 monthly spaces for employees and a transient parker validation program, both at full market rate. Layne Smith of the Mayo Clinic described the use of the facility for research and community outreach purposes; there will be no clinical work performed. Mayo Clinic wants to improve its outreach to the whole community and expand its reach from the relative isolation of its Beaches-area campus. In response to a question from CM Pittman, Ms. Boyer described the DIA's various market-based parking rates. In response to a question from CM Gaffney, Mr. Smith said that the jobs would be a combination of transfers from the main campus and some new jobs.

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Reggie Gaffney was called to speak

APPROVE

13. [2022-0217](#) ORD Approp \$913,968.01 from Insured Programs Retained Earnings to Pay Addnt'l Insurance Premium Costs for Aviation, Property, Cyber Liability, & Special Event Insurance Coverage, Purpose of the Approp. (B.T. 22-064) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at the Req of the Mayor)
3/22/22 CO Introduced: F
4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/12/22 CO PH Only
4/19/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment.

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

14. [2022-0218](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 55.112 (Project & Prog Funding), Pt 1 (Downtown Investment Authority), Chapt 55 (Downtown Investment Authority), Ord Code, to include a Summary of Apvd & Proposed Proj's or Prog's along with the Anticipated Timeline & Funding Amt of each Proj by FY, Providing a Summary Example. (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Salem)
 3/22/22 CO Introduced: F, R
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/19/22 F Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 R Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Chairman Salem explained his purpose for introducing the bill to better inform the Council of future funding commitments for DIA-supported economic development projects when making decisions on new applications. He would like to see a similar chart for other types of financial commitments, such as the upcoming stadium renovations, that may not go through the DIA. Council Auditor Kim Taylor said that there is a 5-year schedule of future expenditures that is included in the budget ordinance that would show future debt service and other commitments, although that was waived on a 1-time basis in the current budget. In response to a question from CM Becton, Mr. Peterson explained that this chart shows projects that are obligations of the General Fund in the future, not REV grants. In response to a question from CM Pittman, Lori Boyer said that the DIA has been working with the City's JSEB office to collect information on JSEB use on projects and is willing to make a report on an annual basis of their use. CM Boylan suggested adding the calculated Return On Investment (ROI) ratio on the chart with each project to show the expected return in relation to the City's outlay.

Danny Becton was called to speak

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Michael Boylan was called to speak

APPROVE

Aye: 6 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman and Pittman

Absent: 1 - Gaffney

15. [2022-0219](#) ORD Approp \$96,956.00 in Fund Balance from the Environmental Protection Fund to Provide Funding for the 15th State of the River Report for the Lower St. Johns River Basin (The 'Project"); Purpose of Approp; Providing for Carryover of Funds through 9/30/23; Providing for Waiver of Sec 111.755 (Environmental & Conservation), Chapt 111 (Special Rev & Trust Accts), Ord Code, to Auth Utilization of Funds from the Fund to Continue Funding the Annual State of the River Report; Providing for Waiver of Sec 360.602 (Uses of Fund), Pt 6 (Environmental Protection Fund), Chapt 360 (Environmental Regulation), Ord Code, to Allow for the Utilization of Funds from the Fund to Continue Funding the Annual State of the River Report; Apv; & Auth the Mayor, of his Designee, & the Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver an Agreemt btwn the City of Jax & Jax University for the Proj; Invoking the Exception of 126.107 (G) (Exemptions), Chapt 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Direct Contract with Jax University for the Proj; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Chapt 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow a Direct Contract with Jax University; Waiving Sec 110.112 (Advance of City Funds); Prohibition Against), Pt 1 (The City Treasury), Chapt 110 (City Treasury), Ord Code, to Allow for Advance Payment by the City; Providing for Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept, Environmental Quality Div; Requiring Annual Reports. (B. T. 22-055) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP at the Req of the Mayor)
 3/22/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, TEU, F, R
 4/4/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/22 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/5/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/12/22 CO PH Only
 4/18/22 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/18/22 TEU Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/19/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 4/19/22 R Amend/Approve 7-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. Melissa Long described the use of the funds for the State of the River report and how the information in the report affects decision making. CM Boylan said he would like to see the report generate more concrete actions as a result of its research. CM Pittman asked if the St. Johns River report is used for comparison purposes with other rivers in the area and if its data is used for seeking grants for water issues. CM Carlucci recommended that the report examine the potential effect of removing the Rodman Dam and restoring the flow of the Ocklawaha River into the St. Johns on its water quality and productivity. Ms. Long said the report is a snapshot in time of numerous conditions and doesn't project into the future.

Michael Boylan was called to speak

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Matt Carlucci was called to speak

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

16. [2022-0234](#) ORD Appropriating \$100,000.00 from City Council Operating Contingency Acct to the Office of Grant & Contract Compliance to Fund Salary & Benefits of 1 Full-time Employee to Oversee the PSG Microgrant Program; Providing for Carryover of Funds to FY 22-23; Providing for Oversight by the Office of Grant & Contract Compliance (B.T.) (Sidman) (Introduced by CMs Freeman & Newby) (Co-Sponsor CM R. Gaffney)
3/22/22 CO Introduced: F
4/5/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/12/22 CO PH Only
4/19/22 F Approve 5-0-2 (Pittman, Gaffney - Abstain)
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/12/22

CMs Pittman and Gaffney said they would abstain from voting on this bill due to the fact that their agencies receive public service grants. In response to a question from CM Boylan, CM Freeman said this position's funding will be from year to year as the value is determined.

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Michael Boylan was called to speak

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci and Freeman

Abstain: 2 - Gaffney and Pittman

17. [2022-0256](#) ORD Apv the Millers Creek Dependent Special District Proposed FY 2022-2023 Budget, Per Ord 2014-700-E & Sec 189.02, F.S. (Johnston) (Introduced by CP Newby, per Ord 2014-700-E) (JWC Apv)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt 166, F.S. & CR 3.601 – 4/26/22

READ 2ND & REREFER

18. [2022-0257](#) ORD Apv the Isle of Palms Dependent Special District Proposed FY 2022-2023 Budget, Per Ord 2011-724-E & Sec 189.02, F.S. (Johnston) (Introduced by CP Newby, per Ord 2011-724-E) (JWC Apv)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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19. [2022-0258](#) ORD Apv the Harbour Waterway Dependent Special District Proposed FY 2022-2023 Budget, Per Ord 2010-725-E & Sec 189.02, F.S. (Johnston) (Introduced by CP Newby, per Ord 2010-725-E) (JWC Apv)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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20. [2022-0259](#) ORD Apv the Tarpon Cove Dependent Special District Proposed FY 2022-2023 Budget, Per Ord 2017-154-E & Sec 189.02, F.S. (Johnston) (Introduced by CP Newby, per Ord 2017-154-E) (JWC Apv)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, JWC
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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21. [2022-0262](#) ORD Approp \$128,160 from the Special Law Enforcement Trust Fund (The "Fund") for Donation to I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc., (\$42,000) in Accordance with Sec 932.7055 (5), F.S., to Support Drug Treatment, Drug Abuse Education. Drug Prevention, Crime Prevention, Safe Neighborhoods, & School Resource Officer Program(s), Transferring \$12,500 from the Fund to the Teen Driver Special Revenue Fund for the Teen Driver Challenge Prog, in Accordance with Sec 111.365, Ord Code, Transferring \$7,500 from the Fund to the Police Explorers Trust Fund for the Jax Sheriff's Police Explorer Post, & \$66,160 from the Fund to Reimburse the General Fund for Forfeiture Related Expenditures in Accordance with Sec 932.7055 (4) (c), F.S.; Purpose of Approp; Apv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver on behalf of the City, Misc Appropriations Agreements btwn the City of Jax & I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc.; Waiving Sec 110.112, (Advance of City Funds; Prohibition Against), Pt 1 (the City Treasury), Chapt 110 (City Treasury), Ord Code, to Allow for Advance Payment by the City; Providing for City Oversight by the JSO. (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CP Newby at Req of Sheriff)(Co-Sponsor CM Salem)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
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22. [2022-0264](#) ORD Amending the Moncrief Business Improvemt Prog-Phase 1 – Established in Ord 2021-282-E; Expanding the Moncrief Area Business Improvemt Prog-Phase 1; Criteria Amended & Adopted; Providing a Carryover of Funds Through 9/30/2023; Providing for Oversight by the Office of Economic Dev. (Sidman) (Introduced by CM Pittman)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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23. [2022-0266](#) ORD Approp \$336,000 (\$186,000 from City Council President Contingency Acct & \$150,000 from the Council Member – Legislative Contingency - CD 7 Acct) to the Safety & Crime Reduction Contingency Acct to Fund Crime Reduction County Wide; Providing for Carryover of Funds to FY 2022-2023. (Sidman) (Introduced by CP Newby & CM R. Gaffney)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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24. [2022-0267](#) ORD Concerning Surplus Personal Propty of the City; Declaring that Certain 1979 Chevrolet Malibu (VIN 1T19L9D483566, Vehicle # 0046-10) Valued at \$15,000 to be Surplus to the Needs of the City & Auth the Approp Officials of the City to Transfer Title of Said Propty to the MOG Collection, LLC., D/B/A Brumos Collection at no Cost, in Accordance with Sec 122.812 (C), Ord Code; Waiving Sec 122.305 (Unlawful Use of City Markings & Tags), Pt 3 (Municipal Vehicles), Chapt 122 (Public Property), Ord Code, to Allow for Certain 1979 Chevrolet Malibu (VIN 1T19L9D483566, Vehicle # 0046-10) to Retain its JSO Insignia; Designating the Fleet Mgmt Div of the Finance & Admin Dept to Monitor Actual Use of Said Propty; Providing for a Reverter; Auth the Mayor or his Designee & the Corp Sec to Execute an Agreemt for Surplussing of City Personal Propty btwn the COJ & the MOG Collection, LLC., D/B/A Brumos Collection; Repealing Sec 111.396 (Motor Vehicle Safety Prog Fund), Pt 3 (Public Safety & Courts), Chapt 111 (Special Revenue & Trust Accts), Ord Code. (Sidman) (Introduced by CP Newby at Request of Sheriff)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
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25. [2022-0268](#) RESO Upon an Acknowledgement of Due Auth & the Making of Findings, Apv the Issuance by the Jax Housing Finance Authority of its Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Lofts at San Marco East), Series 2022, in an Aggregate Principal Amnt not to Exceed \$23,800,000 for the Purpose of Financing all or a Portion of the Costs Related to the Construction of a Multifamily Residential Housing Facility for Persons or Families of Low, Middle or Moderate Income, to be Located at 3036 & 3114 Philips Hwy, Jax, Duval Co, FL, 32207, & to be Commonly Known as "Lofts at San Marco East"; Determining Credit not being Pledged. (Hodges) (Introduced by CP Newby at Request of JHFA)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, R
4/18/22 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

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26. [2022-0276](#) RESO Concerning the Mayor's Final Annual Budget Proposal to Council; Encouraging the Mayor to Submit the Final Annual Budget Proposal for FY 22-23 Using Anticipated Ad Valorem Revenues Based on the Estimated Rolled-Back Millage Rate (Johnston) (Introduced by CM Becton) (Co-Sponsor CM Ferraro & Diamond)
4/12/22 CO Introduced: F, R
4/19/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/19/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

READ 2ND & REREFER

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

27. [2022-0277](#) RESO Approp \$500,000 from the NorthWest Jax Economic Dev Fund for the Purpose of Providing a \$500,000 Large Scale Economic Dev Fund Grant to Florida Mechanical Systems, Inc. ("Company"), in Connection with the Company's Construction of a New Office & Admin Facility, located generally at 524 Stockton St, Jax FL ("Project"); Purpose of Approp; Apv & Auth the Execution of an Economic Dev Agreement ("Agreement") btwn the COJ ("City") & the Company; Auth the Large Scale Economic Dev Fund Grant to the Company in the Amnt of \$500,000; Auth a \$700,000 Recapture Enhanced Value Program Grant ("Rev Grant"); Auth Apv of Technical Amendments by the Exec Dir of the Office of Economic Development ("OED"); Providing for Oversight by the OED; Providing a Deadline for the Company to Execute the Agreement; Affirming the Proj Compliance with the NWJEDF Guidelines Appv & Adopt by ORD 2016-779-E; Affirm the Proj Compliance with the Public Investment Policy Adopt by Ord 2016-382-E, as Amended; Req 2-Reading Passage Pursuant to Council Rule 3.305 (B.T. 22-063) (Sawyer) (Introduced by CP at Req of the Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM R. Gaffney)
 4/12/22 CO Introduced: F, R
 4/19/22 F Amend/Approve 7-0
 4/19/22 R Amend/Approve 7-0

Phillip Peterson explained the amendment. In response to a question from CM Pittman, Kirk Wendland of the Office of Economic Development said the new jobs will be added at the current Stockton Street location when the new facility is built. CM Gaffney asked to be added as a co-sponsor. At the request of CM Boylan, Mr. Wendland described the reporting requirements for the incentive. CM Freeman said he will be exploring the possibility of developing apprenticeship programs.

Reggie Gaffney was called to speak

Ju'Coby Pittman was called to speak

Michael Boylan was called to speak

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

28. [2022-0278](#) RESO Approp \$135,000 from the NorthWest OED Fund/Transfer from Fund Bal for the Purpose of Providing a \$135,000 NorthWest Jax Small Business Dev Initiative Loan to Fruit of Barren Trees, LLC (“Company”), in Connection with the Company’s Renovation of a building located generally at 3202 N. Myrtle Ave, Jax, FL (“Project”); Purpose of Approp; Approv & Auth the Mayor, or his Designee, and the Corp Secretary to Execute and Deliver, for and on Behalf of the COJ, the Economic Development Agreemt btwn Company and the City; Auth Approv of the Technical Amendments by the Executive Dir of the Office of Economic Development (“OED”); Provid for the COJ Oversight by the OED; Affirming the Proj Compliance with the NWJEDF Guidelines Approved and Adopted by Ord 2016-779-E; Affirm the Proj Compliance with the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2016-382-E, as Amended; Req 2-Reading Passage Pursuant to Council Rule 3.305 (B.T. 22-062) (Dillard) (Introduced by CP at Req of the Mayor) (Co-Sponsor R. Gaffney)
 4/12/22 CO Introduced: F, R
 4/19/22 F Approve 7-0
 4/19/22 R Approve 7-0

Kirk Wendland described the project and the funding sources. In response to a question from Chairman Salem, Mr. Wendland discussed the liens pending on other properties owned by this owner and Mr. Salem advocated that they be resolved before this project goes forward. CM Pittman advocated for assisting people like the applicant to reinvest in communities that need economic stimulus and community improvement. Project applicant Rebecca Williams Johnson described her background and qualifications to undertake the project. CM Gaffney asked to be added as a co-sponsor and thanked Ms. Johnson for her work in the community.

CM Carlucci said that liens on properties are a perennial problem and recommended researching how many liens are in place and their amounts and looking at ways to potentially forgive those liens to encourage development of affordable housing. Chairman Salem said he would speak with the Council Auditor and the Mayor’s Office about potential options and report at the next committee meeting.

Ju’Coby Pittman was called to speak

Reggie Gaffney was called to speak

Matt Carlucci was called to speak

APPROVE

Aye: 7 - Salem, Becton, Boylan, Carlucci, Freeman, Gaffney and Pittman

Public Comment

Carnell Oliver said that better gun control is needed. The federal, state and local governments are broken. The City Council needs to be stronger to deal with community needs. The council members are driven by personal financial interest. People don't respect the government any more because government doesn't respect the people.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held May 3, 2022.

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

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Rollcall

Present: 7 - Chair Ron Salem, Vice Chair Danny Becton, Council Member Michael Boylan, Council Member Matt Carlucci, Council Member Terrance Freeman, Council Member Reggie Gaffney and Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman

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