

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes-Amended

Monday, April 17, 2023

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, 1st Floor, City Hall

Rules Committee

Michael Boylan, Chair

Nick Howland, Vice Chair

Danny Becton - Excused Absence

Rory Diamond - Excused Absence

Al Ferraro

Sam Newby

Brenda Priestly Jackson

Legislative Assistant: Steven Libby

Council Auditor's Office: Trista Carraher

Council Research: Colleen Hampsey

Office of General Counsel: Carla Lopera

Administration: Rachel Zimmer

Meeting Convened: 2:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 3:21 PM

Present: 5 - Chair Michael Boylan, Vice Chair Nick Howland, Council Member Al Ferraro, Council Member Sam Newby and Council Member Brenda Priestly Jackson

Excused: 2 - Council Member Danny Becton and Council Member Rory Diamond

Attendance:

CM Carlucci - 2023-187

CM Clark-Murray - 2023-208

CM DeFoor - 2023-187

Item/File No. Title History

- 1. [2022-0797](#) ORD Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, to Execute: (1) An Amended & Restated Redev Agrmt btwn the COJ & Springfield Lofts, LLC; & (2) Loan Docs & Related Docs as Described in the Agrmt, to Support the Redev by Developer an 2.12± Acre Site at 1341 Pearl St, 235 W 3rd St & 205 W 3rd St, in the COJ; Auth a Redev Completion Grant in the Amt of \$1,500,000 to the Developer Upon Substantial Completion of the Proj, to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Auth a Dev Loan in the Amt of \$1,500,000 With a Term of 20 Yrs in Connection With the Proj, to be Approp by Subsequent Legislation; Desig the OED as Contract Monitor for the Agrmt & Related Agrmts; Providing for City Oversight of the Proj by Public Works & the OED; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Above Agmts & Transactions; & Auth Tech Changes to the Docs; Waiver of That Portion of the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2022-372-E, As Amended, to Auth a Redev Completion Grant & a Dev Loan That are Not Currently Auth by the Public Investment Policy (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
 10/25/22 CO Introduced: R, F
 10/31/22 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/1/22 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 11/9/22 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 – 11/9/22

DEFER

2. [2023-0020](#) ORD-MC Relating to the City of Jacksonville's Procurement Code; Repealing & Replacing Pt 1 (General Regulations), Pt 2 (Supplies, Contractual Services & Capital Improvements), Pt 3 (Professional Services Contracts), Pt 5 (Extraordinary Critical Purchasing Procedures), Pt 7 (Design-Build Contracts), & Pt 9 (Art in Public Places), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, & Pt 6 (Cultural Service Grant Program), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, in Their Entirety; Creating a New Pt 1 (General Regulations; Ethics & Transparency in Public Contracting), Pt 2 (Jacksonville Procurement Awards Committee), Pt 3 (Procurement Thresholds, Modes, Methods, & Procedures), Pt 5 (Ex-Offender Program), Pt 7 (Buy American Program), & Pt 9 (Bid Protests, Suspension, & Debarments), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Modernize & Provide Greater Efficiencies in the COJ Procurement Code; Amend Pt 4 (Nondiscrimination Policy), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Amend the Definition of Nondiscrimination Consistent with Employee Svcs Nondiscrimination Policy; Amend Pt 6 (Jacksonville Small & Emerging Business Program), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Make the Part Consistent with the Changes in this Ord; Creating a New Pt 6 (Cultural Service Grants & Art in Public Places), Subpt A (Cultural service Grant Program) & Subpt B (Art in Public Places Program), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Relocate the Art in Public Places Program Previously Under Pt 9, Ch 126, Ord Code, to Pt 6, Ch 118, Ord Code; Amend Sec 24.603 (Duties of Chief of Procurement), Pt 6 (Procurement Division), Ch 24 (Finance & Administration Department), Ord Code, to Add Add'l Duties Regarding Contract Admin & Oversight; Creating a New Pt 4 (Contract Administration & Oversight), Ch 21 (Executive Branch, Generally), Ord Code, to Require Contract Admin & Oversight in City Contracts: Estab a Prospective Date of 2/1/24, for Code Repeals, Amdts, & New Provisions Contained in This Ord to Become Effective; Directing the Chief of Procurement to Update the Procurement Operating Manual Consistent With This Ord Prior to 1/1/24; Prov for Oversight by the Procurement Div, Finance & Administration Dept; Prov for Codification Instructions (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Cumber)
- 1/10/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, TEU
 1/17/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/18/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/18/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 1/24/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 1/24/23

DEFER

3. [2023-0090](#) ORD re Redistricting of the Jax City Council Districts & Group At-Large Residence Areas; Amend Ord 2022-800-E to Strike Sec 7 & Such Other Language Therein Necessary to Confirm the Council's Intent to Permanently Adopt the Maroon III E Fix Map for Use in Duval County Until the Next Decennial Census in 2030; Req 1 Cycle Emergency Passage (Roberson) (Req of OGC)
2/14/23 CO Introduced: R
2/21/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
2/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 2/28/23

DEFER

4. [2023-0187](#) ORD-MC re the City’s Estab of a Publicly Accessible Website to Publish Public Ads & Public Notices Pursuant to Sec 50.0311 (Publication of Advertisements & Public Notices on a Publicly Accessible Website & Governmental Access Channels), Ch 50 (Legal & Official Advertisements), F.S.; Amend Sec 122.425(Disposition by Auction or Sealed Bid) & Sec 122.430.3 (Exchanges), Subpart B (Real Property Dispositions & Exchanges), Pt 4 (Real Property), Ch 122 (Public Property), Ord Code; Amend Sec 122.811 (Sales of Tangible Personal Property; Prohibition of Sales to Certain Persons) & Sec 122.814 (Disposal of Surplus Timber), Pt 8 (Tangible Personal Property), Ch 122 (Public Property), Ord Code; Amend Sec 362.203 (Declaration of Water Pollution Emergency) & Sec 362.209 (Modification, Extension & Cancellation of Declaration), Pt 2 (Water Pollution Emergency), Ch 362 (Air & Water Pollution), Ord Code; Amend Sec 382.302 (Adjustment of Service Areas) & Sec 382.306 (Public Hearing on Award of New Contract), Pt 3 (Selection of Waste Collection & Disposal Service Areas & Contractors), Ch 382 (Waste Collection & Disposal Service by Contractors & City), Ord Code; Amend Sec 501.109 (Filing Reports), Ch 501 (Jacksonville Enterprise Zone), Ord Code; Amend Sec 656.1015 (Public Awareness), Subpart B (Requirements for Both Civilian & Military Airports), Pt 10 (Regulations Related to Airports & Lands Adjacent Thereto), Ch 656 (Zoning Code), Ord Code; Directing the ITD to Maintain a Publicly Accessible Website Pursuant to Sec 50.0311, F.S.; Prov for Oversight by ITD; Prov for Codification Instructions (Hodges) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Newby) (PD & PC Apv)
 3/14/23 CO Introduced: R, F, LUZ
 3/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/22/23 LUZ Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/28/23 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/11/23 CO PH Only
 4/17/23 R Sub/Approve 3-2 (Failed) (Ferraro, Priestly Jackson)
 4/18/23 F Sub/Approve 5-1 (Carlucci)
 4/18/23 LUZ Sub/Approve 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/11/23

SUB/APPROVE (FAILED, LACK OF MAJORITY VOTE IN EITHER DIRECTION;AUTOMATIC DEFERRAL)

- Aye:** 3 - Boylan, Howland and Newby
Nay: 2 - Ferraro and Priestly Jackson
Excused: 2 - Becton and Diamond

Scrivener's

1. Pg. 11, line 4: strike "PART" and insert "SUBPART"
2. Pg. 11, line 29: strike "Section 8" and insert "Section 9"

AUDITOR RECOMMENDED AMENDMENT

The legislation amends the Ordinance Code to provide for the option to publish certain required notices by electronic methods permitted by law. We recommend that should a department of the City decide to transition from newspaper advertising to electronic advertising (or vice versa) for noticing, filing notice and a copy of the cost comparison required by Florida Statute 50.0311(3) with City Council 30 days prior to the transition shall be required.

- Per section 50.0311(3), Florida Statutes, a governmental agency may use the publicly accessible website of the county in which it lies to publish legally required advertisements and public notices if the cost of publishing advertisements and public notices on such website is less than the cost of publishing advertisements and public notices in a newspaper.
- Per section 50.0311(6), Florida Statutes, a governmental agency that uses a publicly accessible website to publish legally required advertisements and public notices shall provide notice at least once per year in a newspaper of general circulation or another publication that is mailed or delivered to all residents and property owners throughout the government's jurisdiction, indicating that property owners and residents may receive legally required advertisements and public notices from the governmental agency by first-class mail or e-mail upon registering their name and address or e-mail address with the governmental agency.
- The governmental agency shall maintain a registry of names, addresses, and e-mail addresses of property owners and residents who have requested in writing that they receive legally required advertisements and public notices from the governmental agency by first-class mail or e-mail.
- Amends the Ordinance Code to allow any public notice or advertisement required under the following Sections to be published by electronic methods permitted by law:
 - Sec. 122.425 (Disposition by auction or sealed bid)
 - Sec. 122.430.3 (Exchanges)
 - Sec. 122.811 (Sales of tangible personal property; prohibition of sales to certain persons)
 - Sec. 122.814 (Disposal of surplus timber)
 - Sec. 362.203 (Declaration of water pollution emergency)
 - Sec. 362.209 (Modification, extension and cancellation of declaration)
 - Sec. 382.302 (Adjustment of service areas)
 - Sec. 382.306 (Public hearing on award of new contract)
 - Sec. 501.109 (Filing Reports)
 - Sec. 656.1015 (Public Awareness)
- Designates the Information Technology Division as responsible for the maintenance of the City's publicly accessible website
- The use of the publicly accessible website will be a department-by-department decision

Carla Lopera, OGC, explained CM Howland's substitute, which adds some departments and circumstances with public notice requirements omitted from the original bill.

CM Howland talked about transparency and the cost savings from online publishing.

Brian Hughes, Mayor's Office, talked about the purpose of the bill and how it is in keeping with Florida Statute 50.0311. He said that the bill does not mandate online public notices, but provides a tool in the toolbox if a department decides to utilize that method.

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the recommended amendment.

CM Priestly Jackson asked about a cost analysis. Ms. Carraher said it would be done if/when this is implemented by City, on a case by case basis.

Motion/2nd to move the substitute 3-2 (Howland/Newby)

Motion/2nd to move the Auditor's amendment (Howland/Newby) It will be rolled into the substitute.

Motion/2nd move the bill as amended as substituted (Howland/Newby)

CM Priestly Jackson asked about cost savings for this method. Mr. Hughes described the existing COJ web infrastructure to house the postings, potential cost savings and the augmented online distribution of public notices. CM Priestly Jackson talked about the benefit of impartial 3rd party to distribute notices (Daily Record), and she said she may later proffer an amendment to designate a print-form for notices of CM meetings.

CM Carlucci spoke in opposition of this bill, and said online publishing of notices should be supplemental not a replacement. He mentioned that not all residents are tech savvy, and he emphasized the importance of transparency and accessibility.

CM DeFoor said there is a liability risk from lawsuits based on insufficient notice.

CM Ferraro concurred that online notices should be supplemental.

CM Priestly Jackson said she is not in support of the bill, and she said that cost savings isn't enough of a reason to switch to online notices, and whatever is paid annually to third party publishers is simply the cost of doing business.

CM DeFoor noted the equity issue since not all residents have internet access.

Lacking the requisite 4 votes in either direction (per Council Rules), the bill was deferred.

5. [2023-0188](#) ORD Approp a \$2,000,000 Grant From the U.S. DOJ, Office of Justice Progs, for the Mayor’s Violence Reduction Center (MVRC) Community-Based Violence Intervention & Prevention Initiative (CVIPI); Auth Positions; Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Secretary to Execute & Deliver, For & On Behalf of the City, an Agrmt with Justice & Security Strategies, Inc.; Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver, For & On Behalf of the City, an Agrmt with Family Foundations of Northeast Florida, Inc.; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.107 (g) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Direct Contract With Justice & Security Strategies, Inc. & Family Foundations of Northeast Florida, Inc. for the Provision of Svcs for the MVRC CVIPI; Prov Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div (B.T. 23-043) (R.C. 23-095) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
 3/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
 3/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/20/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 3/28/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/17/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/17/23 R Amend/Approve 5-0
 4/18/23 F Amend/Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Boylan, Howland, Ferraro, Newby and Priestly Jackson

Excused: 2 - Becton and Diamond

NCSPHS AMENDMENT

Remove Code Sec. 126.107(g) exemption and authorization to enter into agreements with Justice & Security Strategies, Inc. and Family Foundations of Northeast Florida, Inc.

- **Appropriates a three-year \$2,000,000 grant from the Department of Justice for the Mayor’s Violence Reduction Center Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative (“MVRC CVIPI”)**
- **Authorizes five new positions within the Grants and Contract Compliance Division that will be funded through the grant**
- **Authorizes direct contracts with Justice & Security Strategies, Inc. (\$450,000) and Family Foundations of Jacksonville (\$568,331) to provide services under the grant**
- **The FY 22/23 budget included a total appropriation of \$3,530,000 for the Cure Violence program, which included \$150,000 for Justice & Security Strategies, Inc. and \$700,000 for Family Foundations of Jacksonville for the same services identified in the proposed scope of services for this legislation**

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment.

6. [2023-0205](#) ORD Approp \$107,693 in Fund Balance From the Environmental Protection Fund to Provide Funding for the 16th State of the River Report for the Lower St. Johns River Basin; Prov for Waiver of Sec 111.755 (Environmental Protection Fund), Pt 7 (Environment & Conservation), Ch 111 (Special Revenue & Trust Accounts), Ord Code, to Auth Utilization of Funds From the Fund to Continue Funding the Annual State of the River Report; Prov for Waiver of Sec 360.602 (Uses of Fund), Pt 6 (Environmental Protection Fund), Ch 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, or his Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver an Agrmt btwn the City & JU for the Proj; Invoking the Exemption in 126.107 (g) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Direct Contract with JU for the Proj; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow a Direct Contract with JU; Waiving Sec 110.112 (Advance of City funds; Prohibition Against), Pt 1 (The City Treasury), Ch 110 (City Treasury), Ord Code, to Allow for Advance Payment by the City; Prov for Oversight by the Neighborhoods Dept, EQD; Requiring Annual Reports (B.T. 23-062) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
 3/28/23 CO Introduced: R, F, TEU
 4/3/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/11/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/17/23 R Amend/Approve 5-0
 4/18/23 F Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/18/23 TEU Amend/Approve 5-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/11/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Boylan, Howland, Ferraro, Newby and Priestly Jackson

Excused: 2 - Becton and Diamond

AMENDMENT

1. **Attach revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct funding source to a fund balance transfer**
2. **Place revised agreement on file to correct payment date, include Council Auditor within audit rights, and correct scrivener's error**

- **Waives Code Sections 111.755 (Environmental Protection Fund) and 360.602 (Uses of Fund) to allow for the expenditure of Environmental Protection Fund dollars on continuing studies**
- **Waives Code Sec. 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process) to allow for a direct contract with Jacksonville University**
- **Waives Code Sec. 110.112 (Advance of City funds; prohibition against) to allow for advanced payment of the full contract amount to Jacksonville University**

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment.

7. [2023-0207](#) ORD re Ch 745 (Addressing & Street Naming Regulations), Ord Code; Estab an Honorary St Desig & Assoc Roadway Markers for Walter W. Flowers, a Fallen Fire & Rescue Officer Who Died while in the Line of Duty; Estab an Honorary St Desig on Atlantic Blvd at the Corner of San Marco Place & Atlantic Blvd & Extending East to the City-owned Roadway Before the Railroad Crossing in Council Dist 5 for Walter W. Flowers; Prov for the Roadside Markers for Walter W. Flowers to be Depicted as Contemplated in Sec 745.105 (j) (9) (b), Ord Code; Prov for the Installation of 2 Honorary Roadway Markers to be Located in Appropriate Locations on the Desig Roadway; Waiver of Sec 745.102 (i) (3), Ord Code, which Requires the Honoree to Live within 5 Miles of the Desig Roadway for 10 yrs; Directing Legislative Svcs Div to Forward Ord to the Planning & Dev Dept for Processing, Implementation, & Coordination with the Public Works Dept, Traffic Engineering & Other Affected Agencies & Orgs (Pollock) (Introduced by CMs Ferraro, Cumber & Boylan) (Co-Sponsors CMs Salem, Becton & Clark-Murray)
 3/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, TEU
 4/3/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/3/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/11/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 745.105, Ord Code, & 166.041 F.S. - 4/18/23, 5/2/23
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/11/23

DEFER

8. [2023-0208](#) ORD-MC Amend Sec 33.201 (Talent Management Division; Establishment; Functions), Pt 2 (Talent Management Division), Ch 33 (Employee Services Department), Ord Code, to Specify Compensation Functions & to Renumber Subsecs; Amend Secs 33.301 (Compensation & Benefits Division; Establishment; Functions) & 33.302 (Division Chief), Pt 3 (Compensation & Benefits Division), Ch 33, Ord Code, to Remove References to Compensation, Specify the Functions of the Benefits Div, & Renumber Subsecs; Amend Sec 111.471 (City Fitness & Wellness Special Revenue Fund), Pt 4 (Administration, Personnel & Code Regulation), Ch 111 (Special Revenue & Trust Accounts), Ord Code, to Remove References to Compensation; Amend Sec 116.301 (Service Raises Generally), Pt 3 (Service Raises), Ch 116 (Employees & Employee Benefits), Ord Code, to Remove the Dollar Amt, Set Parameters for such Raises, & Delete References to Certain laws of FL; Amend Sec 116.909 (Advertising For Certain Appointed Positions), Pt 9 (Personnel Regulations), Ch 116, (Employees & Employee Benefits), Ord Code, to Allow Boards & Commissions to fill Appointed Positions with Current Employees Without Posting or Advertising the Position; Repealing & Replacing Sec 116.910 (Residence Within City preferred), Pt 9 (Personnel Regulations), Ch 116, (Employees & Employee Benefits), Ord Code, in its Entirety; Creating a New Sec 116.910, Pt 9 (Personnel Regulations), Ch 116, (Employees & Employee Benefits), Ord Code, to Codify Criminal History Records Checks as Required by Sec 166.0442, F.S.; Amend Sec 116.1402 (Special Committee on Group Health Benefits), Pt 14 (Group Health Plan), Ch 116, Ord Code, to Remove References to Compensation; Amend Sec 129.101 (Pay Grades, Salary Ranges, & Salaries), Ch 129 (Compensation of City Officials & Employees), Ord Code, to Remove Table of Pay Grades & Salary Ranges, Remove the Cap on Adjustments to Salary Ranges, Remove the Authorization of Retroactive Salary Adjustments, Make Stylistic Changes, & Correct Scrivener's Errors; Prov Codification Instructions (Teodorescu) (Req of Mayor)
 3/28/23 CO Introduced: R, F
 4/3/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/11/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/17/23 R Amend/Approve 5-0
 4/18/23 F Amend/Approve 6-0
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/11/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Boylan, Howland, Ferraro, Newby and Priestly Jackson

Excused: 2 - Becton and Diamond

AMENDMENT

- 1. Clarify posting and advertising a position is a precondition to the appointment of any person not presently working for the City to a position appointed by a Board or Commission**
- 2. Revise Code Sec. 129.112 (Council Related Salaries) to strike language regarding retroactive pay increases and bonuses to be consistent with Florida Statutes and the language that is being struck in Sec. 129.101 (Pay Grades, Salary Ranges, and Salaries) for Mayoral and Sheriff appointed positions**
- 3. Repeal Code Sec. 102.117 (Departmental residency audit) which is no longer applicable since appointed employees confirmed by Council are not required to be Duval County residents (the residency requirement was removed in 2014 and replaced with a preference for employment and retention of persons residing within Duval County) and include copy of repealed code section as a new exhibit**
- 4. Remove repeal of Code Sec. 116.910 (Residence within City preferred)**
- 5. Correct scrivener's errors**

AUDITOR RECOMMENDED AMENDMENTS

- 1. Revise Code Sec. 129.112 (Council Related Salaries) to strike language regarding retroactive pay increases and bonuses to be consistent with Florida Statutes and the language that is being struck in Sec. 129.101 (Pay Grades, Salary Ranges, and Salaries) for Mayoral and Sheriff appointed positions**
- 2. Repeal Code Sec. 102.117 (Departmental residency audit) which is no longer applicable since appointed employees confirmed by Council are not required to be Duval County residents (the residency requirement was removed in 2014 and replaced with a preference for employment and retention of persons residing within Duval County) and include copy of repealed code section as a new exhibit**

• Amends the Ordinance Code to make the following changes:

- Clarifies functions of the Talent Management Division**
- Changes the name of the Compensation and Benefits Division to the Benefits Division and clarify functions of that division**
- Strikes references to the \$300 maximum for service raises as this item is collectively bargained**
- Clarifies that positions that require appointment by a Board or Commission may be filled by current City employees without the need to post or advertise the position**
- Repeals Sec. 116.910 (Residence within the City Preferred) which provides for a preference in employment and retention for Duval County residents**
- Creates a new Sec. 116.910 regarding criminal history records checks for prospective and current City employees**
- Strikes the salary ranges by pay grade table and references that the information is available on the City's internal website**
- Strikes the 3% limit on annual increases to salary ranges authorized by the Director of the Employee Services Department**
- Strikes language allowing the Mayor and Sheriff to authorize salary adjustments retroactive to a date within the current fiscal year**

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment, and the Auditor recommended amendments.

CM Ferraro asked for an explanation of the bill, which makes several changes to the *Ordinance Code* related to employee services.

Diane Moser, Director of Employee Services, reviewed the proposed changes to 4 *Ordinance Code* chapters. CM Clark- Murray asked about the change to service raises, currently City employees receive an increase in salary of \$300 per year for every five-year period of continuous service. Ms. Moser said that this bill designates that length of service raises will be for regular full time staff (but not JFRD, JSO or elected officials) in an amount approved through collective bargaining instead of \$300 annually. CM Clark-Murray asked about the new Section 116.910 regarding criminal background checks and how it would be applied to current city staff. Ms. Moser said background checks are utilized for prospective employees and that they would be used for current employees only if there was a position change that required a higher level checking process - like working with a protected class such as the elderly or children.

CM Howland asked about the removal of Duval residency preference in hiring. Ms. Moser said that the removal of the residency the preference is to simplify the employee services vetting process, in that staff may identify qualities that make someone an ideal candidate without having to track down where exactly they may reside. CM Newby proposed a floor amendment to retain the Duval residency preference, and he commented on the number of JSO officers who live outside of the county. The Newby amendment passed unanimously and will be rolled together with the other amendments.

9. [2023-0216](#) ORD-MC Approp \$65,000.00 From a Special Council Contingency Acct to Provide Funding for Regulatory Signage; Amend Sec 614.132 (Regulations on Operation of Boats), Ch 614 (Public Order & Safety), Ord Code, to Estab the Boating-restricted Area in the Arlington River Around the Cesery Bridge; Prov for Design & Implementation; Prov for Oversight; Prov for Codification Instructions (Mairs) (Introduced by CMs Howland & Morgan) (Co-Sponsor CM Salem) (JWC Apv)
 3/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F, JWC
 4/3/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/3/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/4/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/11/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
 4/17/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
 4/17/23 R Amend/Approve 5-0
 4/18/23 F Amend/Approve 4-1(Carrico)
 Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/11/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Boylan, Howland, Ferraro, Newby and Priestly Jackson

Excused: 2 - Becton and Diamond

AMENDMENT

1. Correct scrivener's errors
2. Attach map of boating restricted area as Exhibit 2

Trista Carraher, Auditor's Office, explained the amendment.

CM Howland explained the background on the bill and the need for boat speed restrictions near the Cesary Bridge.

10. [2023-0222](#) RESO Appt Robert C. Mixson as a Member of the Building Codes Adjustment Board, Pursuant to Ch 56, Ord Code, Replacing Hillary L. Almond, for a Partial Term Exp 9/30/24 (Hampsey) (Introduced by CP Freeman)
3/28/23 CO Introduced: R
4/3/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/11/23 CO Read 2nd & Rerefer

DEFER

11. [2023-0238](#) ORD re the Public Service Grant Council; Amend Secs 118.806 (Application Requirements) & 118.807 (Review, Evaluation & Scoring of Applications by PSG Council), Pt 8 (Public Service Grants), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Amend the Aspirational Funding Amt, Application Contents for Requesting Agencies, & the Evaluation & Scoring Criteria of Applications; Prov for Codification Instructions (Brown) (Introduced by CM Gaffney, Jr.)
4/11/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
4/17/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/18/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/25/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

12. [2023-0239](#) ORD Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, to Execute an Economic Dev Agrmt btwn the City & Avion MF Partners, LLC, to Support the Dev by Developer of an ±320-Unit Apartment Community Generally on Duval Rd, N of I-295 & W of Biscayne Blvd, in the City; Auth a 75%, 15-Yr REV Grant in the Max Amt Not to Exceed \$7,500,000 in Connection with the Proj; Designating the OED as Contract Monitor for the Agrmt; Prov for City Oversight of the Proj by the OED; Auth the Execution of All Docs Relating to the Above Agrmts & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs; Prov a Deadline for the Developer to Execute the Agrmt After it is Delivered to the Developer; Waiver of those Portions of the Public Investment Policy Adopted by Ord 2022-372-E, as Amended, Which Would Require that in Order for a Proj to Receive a REV Grant the Developer Must be in a Targeted Industry & Create 10 New FT Jobs at Greater than or Equal to 100% of the State of FL Average Wage (Sawyer) (Req of Mayor)
4/11/23 CO Introduced: R, F
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/18/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 4/25/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

13. [2023-0241](#) ORD Approp \$15,000 from the Jax Happenings Activity Within the Special Events Fund to the General Fund Office of Sports & Entertainment - Special Events Activity to Prov Funding for Greenscape of Jacksonville, Inc. to Host Various Events & to Procure Supplies & Materials to Prov Add'l Care & Maintenance for Trees Recently Planted in Certain City Parks; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute an Agrmt with Greenscape; Invoking the Exemption in Sec 126.107 (G) (Exemptions), Pt 1 (General Regulations), Ch 126 (Procurement Code), Ord Code, to Allow a Direct Contract with Greenscape of Jacksonville, Inc; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow a Direct Contract with Greenscape; Prov For Oversight by the Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs Dept (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Carlucci) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
4/11/2023 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
4/17/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/18/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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14. [2023-0246](#) ORD Approp \$135,000 From the Special Law Enforcement Trust Fund to Provide \$125,000 for Contractual Svcs by I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc (Sulzbacher) for the Continued Operation of a Jail Diversion Prog for the MHOP, & to Donate \$10,000 to Florida FBI National Academy Associates, Inc for its Annual Re-Trainer Prog; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver a 4th Amend to the Svcs Contract btwn the City & Sulzbacher for the Continued Provision of Svcs for the MHOP; Waiving Sec 118.107 (Nonprofits to Receive Funding Through a Competitive Evaluated Award Process), Pt 1 (General Provisions), Ch 118 (City Grants), Ord Code, to Allow a Direct Contract with Sulzbacher; Prov for Contract Oversight by the Grants & Contract Compliance Div (Staffopoulos) (Req of Sheriff) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
4/11/2023 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
4/17/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/18/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
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15. [2023-0247](#) ORD Amend Sec 685.104 (Prohibited Activities for Sexual Offenders & Sexual Predators; Exceptions), Ch 685 (Sexual Offender & Sexual Predator Regulation), Ord Code, to Prohibit Display of Halloween Decorations or Other Displays or Decorations as Described in this Ord on the Exterior of Any Sexual Offender or Sexual Predator Residence, Vehicle or Vessel, or on Any Propty Leased, Rented, Owned, or Occupied by a Sexual Offender or Sexual Predator; Prov Codification Instructions (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM Cumber)
4/11/2023 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R
4/17/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
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16. [2023-0249](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute a 5th Amendment to Amended & Restated Agrmt for Residential Waste & Recycling Collection & Transportation Svcs (Service Area III) btwn the City & Waste Pro of Florida, Inc, to Extend the Agrmt Term thru 9/30/29, Adjust the Annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) Increase from a Not-to-Exceed Cap of 3% to 5%, & Prov that the Base Rate is Not Lowered as a Result of the Rate Review Process; Waiving Sec 382.308 (L)(2) (Procedures for Extension of Contracts), Ord Code; Prov for City Oversight by the Solid Waste Div of the Dept of Public Works (Hodges) (Introduced by CM Boylan)
4/11/2023 CO Introduced: R, F, TEU
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/18/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/18/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
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17. [2023-0250](#) RESO Honoring & Commemorating the Life & Accomplishments of Samir Boulos “Sam” Salem & Extending Condolences to the Salem Family on the Occasion of His Recent Passing (Clements) (Introduced by CM Salem) (Co-Sponsors CMs DeFoor, White, Clark-Murray, Becton, Newby & Ferraro)
4/11/23 CO Introduced: R
4/17/23 R Approve 5-0

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Boylan, Howland, Ferraro, Newby and Priestly Jackson

Excused: 2 - Becton and Diamond

CMs Newby and Ferraro asked to be added as co-sponsors.

18. [2023-0251](#) RESO Expressing the City’s Support for the Application by Changing Homelessness, Inc to Participate in the FL Community Contribution Tax Credit Prog for Purposes of Alleviating Homelessness; Prov for Compliance with the Comprehensive Plan (Clements) (Introduced by CM Boylan) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
04/11/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, R, F
4/17/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer
4/18/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer

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19. [2023-0252](#) RESO Honoring & Commemorating the Life & Accomplishments of George & Kernan Hodges in Shaping the Form & Future of Jax (Clements) (Introduced by CM Becton) (Co-Sponsor CM Ferraro)
4/11/23 CO Introduced: R
4/17/23 R Approve 5-0

APPROVE

Aye: 5 - Boylan, Howland, Ferraro, Newby and Priestly Jackson

Excused: 2 - Becton and Diamond

CM Ferraro asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

20. [2023-0253](#) RESO Appt Albert D. Chester, as a Member of the Safety & Crime Reduction Commission, Filling a Seat Formerly Held by Brandon Griggs, Pursuant to Ch 78, Ord Code, for a 1st Full Term Ending 6/30/24 (Hampsey) (Introduced by CP Freeman) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
4/11/23 CO Introduced: R
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

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21. [2023-0254](#) RESO Conf the Appt of Mai Dinh Keisling, as a Member of the Public Service Grant Council, Pursuant to Sec 80.102, Ord Code, Replacing Tameiko Allen Grant, for a 1st Full Term Exp 12/31/25 (Hampsey) (Introduced by CP Freeman)
4/11/23 CO Introduced: R
4/17/23 R Read 2nd & Rerefer

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Public Comment: Carnell Oliver talked about freedom of the press, open access to public information and the Sunshine Law. Davis Bales spoke in support for the new speed restrictions near Cesary Bridge, and about boating safety.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Monday, May 1, 2023.

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

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