

City of Jacksonville

*117 W. Duval Street
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, 1st Floor, City Hall

Transportation, Energy & Utilities Committee

Ju'Coby Pittman, Chair

Joyce Morgan, Vice Chair - Excused Absence

Matt Carlucci

LeAnna Cumber - Excused Absence

Aaron Bowman

Randy DeFoor

Reggie Gaffney, Jr. - Excused Absence

Legislative Assistant: Steven Libby

Council Auditor's Office: Edward Linsky

Council Research: Jeff Clements

Office of General Counsel: Carla Lopera

Administration: Rachel Zimmer

Planning Dept.: Laurie Santana

Meeting Convened: 2:07 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 2:15 PM

Present: 4 - Chair Ju'Coby Pittman, Council Member Matt Carlucci, Council Member Aaron Bowman and Council Member Randy DeFoor

Excused: 3 - Vice Chair Joyce Morgan, Council Member LeAnna Cumber and Council Member Reggie Gaffney Jr.

Attendance

Ed Linsky – Council Auditor’s Office; Merriane Lahmeur, Steven Libby and Rebecca Bolton – Legislative Services Division; Jeff Clements – Council Research Division; Eric Grantham – Public Information Division; Charles Moreland, Rachel Zimmer, Ryan Murphy – Mayor’s Office; Carla Lopera – General Counsel’s Office

Item/File No.

Title History

1. [2023-0019](#) ORD Declaring the Public Necessity for Acquiring Fee Simple Title Through Condemnation by Right of Eminent Domain to Certain Real Propty, a Portion of R.E. #106330-0010 located at 1460 Starratt Rd, Consisting of ± 4,554 Sq Ft, Appraised at \$21,900 (the “Property”), as Required for the Starratt/Dunn Creek Rd Intersection Improvement Proj; Auth the Real Estate Div of Public Works to Make Offers & Negotiate for the Purchase of the Propty; Auth Issuance of a Declaration of Taking; Auth & Direct the OGC to Institute Appropriate Condemnation Proceedings (Dist. 2 - Ferraro) (Boeckman) (Req of Mayor)
1/10/23 CO Introduced: F, TEU
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

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: Etab 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

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3. [2023-0135](#) ORD Closing & Abandoning &/or Disclaiming an Opened & Improved Portion of the Sewell Rd R/W, Estab in Deed Book 1152, Page 363, of the Former Public Records of Duval County, FL, at the Req of Seefried-PSO Jax, LLC; Prov for Appvl Subj to Conditions (Dist. 7 - Gaffney, Jr.) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
2/28/23 CO Introduced: TEU
3/7/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/14/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/21/23 TEU PH Approve 4-0
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 336.10, F.S. - 3/21/23
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/14/23

PH APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Pittman, Carlucci, Bowman and DeFoor

Excused: 3 - Morgan, Cumber and Gaffney Jr.

• Closure requested to use the area as a private driveway for access to a proposed industrial development

4. [2023-0136](#) ORD Approp \$684,572.74 in Grant Funding from the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Prog, Thru the State of FL, Div of Emergency Management, to Fund Design-Related Svcs & Activities for the McCoys Creek Greenway - McCoys Creek Blvd Closure Proj; Amend the 2023-2027 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Reflect This Appropriation for the Proj; Prov for Oversight by Public Works (B.T. 23-047) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
2/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
3/6/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/7/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/7/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/14/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/20/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 5-0
3/21/23 F Amend/Approve 7-0
3/21/23 TEU Amend/Approve 4-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/14/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Pittman, Carlucci, Bowman and DeFoor

Excused: 3 - Morgan, Cumber and Gaffney Jr.

Ed Linsky of the Council Auditor's Office explained the amendment.

AMENDMENT

Reflect that the required 25% City match has been met with previously appropriated funds

- **FEMA’s contribution to Phase I (design and permitting) of the McCoys Creek Greenway – McCoys Creek Boulevard Closure project has increased from \$444,965 to \$1,129,538**
- **City has expensed approximately \$3.2 million on this project, funded through previously appropriated City and grant funding**

5. [2023-0142](#) ORD Declaring that Certain Parcel of Real Propty Located at 0 Phillips Hwy, btwn Bowdendale Ave & Executive Park Court (R.E. #152602-0300), to be Surplus to the Needs of the City; Auth Conveyance of the Propty to FDOT for the Appraised Value of \$1,874,380; Apv, & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver That Certain Purchase Agrmt Btwn the City & FDOT as Well as the Deed & Other Closing Docs Relating Thereto, & Otherwise Take All Necessary Action to Effectuate the Purposes of This Ord; Prov for Oversight of Execution of the Conveyance Docs by the Public Works Dept, Real Estate Div (Dist. 5 - Cumber) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
2/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
3/6/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/7/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/7/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/14/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/20/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
3/21/23 F Amend/Approve 6-0
3/21/23 TEU Amend/Approve 4-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/14/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Pittman, Carlucci, Bowman and DeFoor

Excused: 3 - Morgan, Cumber and Gaffney Jr.

Ed Linsky of the Council Auditor’s Office explained the amendment.

AMENDMENT

- 1. Amend bill title to reflect waiver of Section 122.425**
- 2. Correct scrivener's**

- **Authorizes the sale of an approximate 41.54 acre parcel of unimproved real property off of Philips Highway to FDOT for construction of a stormwater retention pond for treatment of runoff as part of a project to widen I-95**
- **FDOT proposed to purchase the parcel for \$1,874,380**
- **City acquired the property via tax deed in 2003**
- **Waives Section 122.425 to allow the sale and conveyance of the property to FDOT rather than auctioning the property or seeking sealed bids**

6. [2023-0143](#) ORD Approp \$261,000.00 From Drainage System Rehabilitation - DSR General Capital Projs to the Flynn Rd Drainage Improvements Proj for Completion of the Flynn Rd Drainage Improvements Proj; Amend the 2023-2027 5-Yr CIP Appvd by Ord 2022-505-E to Reflect This Appropriation of Funds to the Proj (B.T. 23-048) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
2/28/23 CO Introduced: F, TEU
3/7/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/7/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/14/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/21/23 F Approve 6-0
3/21/23 TEU Approve 4-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/14/23

APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Pittman, Carlucci, Bowman and DeFoor

Excused: 3 - Morgan, Cumber and Gaffney Jr.

- **\$200,000 was appropriated to the Flynn Road Drainage Improvement project in the FY 2021/22 CIP**

7. [2023-0148](#) ORD Approp \$6,374,458.34 in Reallocated Emergency Rental Assistance Prog (Round 2) Grant Funds from the U.S. Dept of Treasury, & Allocating \$4,374,458.34 to the Housing & Community Dev Div of the Neighborhoods Dept & \$2,000,000 to the Social Svcs Div of the Parks, Recreation & Community Svcs Dept, to Prov Emergency Rent & Utility Assistance to Eligible Households in Duval County thru 9/30/23 in Accordance with the Emergency Rental Assistance Prog Estab by Sec 501, Division N, of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021; Prov for Oversight (B.T. 23-054) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark Murray)
2/28/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
3/6/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/7/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/7/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/14/23 CO PH Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/20/23 NCSPHS Amend/Approve 6-0
3/21/23 F Amend/Approve 6-0
3/21/23 TEU Amend/Approve 4-0
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/14/23

AMEND/APPROVE

Aye: 4 - Pittman, Carlucci, Bowman and DeFoor

Excused: 3 - Morgan, Cumber and Gaffney Jr.

Ed Linsky of the Council Auditor's Office explained the amendment.

AMENDMENT

Attach revised Exhibit 1 (BT) to correct account codes and titles

• Funds will be used to provide emergency rent and utility assistance on a short-term basis to eligible households

8. [2023-0175](#) ORD Closing & Abandoning &/or Disclaiming an Opened & Improved Portion of the Walnut St R/W, Estab in the Plat of New Springfield, as Recorded, at the Req of Setzer's Warehousing Corporation, Inc., Subj to Reservation unto JEA of an All Utilities, Facilities & Access Easement Over the Closure Area; Prov for Appvl Subj to Conditions (Dist. 7 - Gaffney, Jr.) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: TEU
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 336.10, F.S. - 4/4/23
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

READ 2ND & REREFER

9. [2023-0176](#) ORD Closing & Abandoning &/or Disclaiming an Unopened & Unimproved Portion of the Stevens Ave R/W, Estab in the John M. Stevens Subdivision Plat, as Recorded, at the Req of Jax Edgewood Partners, LLC, Subj to Reservation unto the City of an All Utilities & Facilities Easement Over the Entire Closure Area & Reservation unto JEA of an All Utilities & Facilities Easement Over the Southerly 60 Ft of the Closure Area; Prov for Appvl Subj to Conditions (Dist. 9 - Clark-Murray) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: TEU
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 336.10, F.S. - 4/4/23
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

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10. [2023-0177](#) ORD Closing & Abandoning &/or Disclaiming a Drainage Easement Estab by Ord 2022-263-E, as Recorded, at the Req of Jax Edgewood Partners, LLC; Prov for Appvl Subj to Conditions (Dist. 9 - Clark-Murray) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: TEU
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 336.10, F.S. - 4/4/23
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

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11. [2023-0178](#) ORD Closing & Abandoning &/or Disclaiming 7 Unopened, Unimproved & Unnamed R/W of the Unrecorded Plat of Dinsmore Company's Official Map of Dinsmore & Dinsmore Farms, Prepared Aug 1933, Under Direction of Robert M. Angas, Civil Engineer, all in Duval County, FL, at the Req of Plummer JV, LLC, Subj to Reservation unto JEA of an All Utilities, Facilities, & Access Easement Over a Portion of the Closure Area as More Specifically Described Herein; Prov for Appvl Subj to Conditions (Dist. 8 - Pittman) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: TEU
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
TEU PH Pursuant to Sec 336.10, F.S. - 4/4/23
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

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12. [2023-0179](#) ORD Approp Grant Funds in the Amt of \$814,375.00 from the FL Dept of Management Svcs, Through Its Pre-Paid Wireless Next Generation 911 (NG911) State Grant Prog, to JSO to Implement the NG-911 Routing Proj; Prov for Oversight by JSO (B.T. 23-050) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Sheriff)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: F, TEU
3/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

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13. [2023-0180](#) ORD Approp \$114,822.83 in Civil Fines & Penalties Revenue from the Litter Trust Fund, & Approp 70% of Such Revenue to JTA to Keep Public Bus Stops & Public Bus Shelters Well-Maintained & Litter Free, & the Remaining 30% to the Neighborhoods Dept, Municipal Code Compliance Div, to Pay Personnel Costs for PT Code Enforcement Employees to Conduct Public R/W Enforcement of Snipe Signs & Public Awareness & Education Progs to Advance Zero-Tolerance for Litter; Requiring a Report to City Council (B.T. 23-060) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
3/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

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14. [2023-0182](#) ORD Apv & Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, & the Corp Sec to Execute & Deliver that Certain Real Estate Purchase Agrmt btwn the City & Jeffrey & Karen Rickert, & All Closing & Other Docs Relating Thereto, & to Otherwise Take All Action Necessary to Effectuate the Purposes of the Agrmt, for Acquisition by the City, at the Negotiated Purchase Price of \$110,000, of an ±0.10 Acre Portion of the Parcel Located at 1460 Starratt Rd, Jax, FL (R.E. # 106330-0010), to be Used for Completion of the Starratt Rd/Dunn Creek Rd Intersection Improvement Proj; Prov for Oversight of Acquisition of the Propty by the Real Estate Div of the Dept of Public Works & Thereafter by Public Works (Dist. 2 - Ferraro) (Staffopoulos) (Req of Mayor)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: F, TEU
3/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

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15. [2023-0184](#) ORD Auth the Mayor, or His Designee, to Execute: (1) a Redev Agrmt Among the City, DIA & the Museum of Science & History of Jacksonville, Inc. (MOSH); (2) a Ground Lease Agrmt btwn the DIA and MOSH for the Lease of ±2.5 Acres of City-owned Land Located within the Shipyards Site With an Initial Term of 40 Yrs with Nominal Rent; (3) a Park Design Proj Costs Disbursement Agrmt btwn the City & MOSH for MOSH to Provide at City's Expense the Engineered Plans & Specifications for New City-owned Park & Riverwalk Improvements; (4) A Joint-Use Park Agrmt btwn the City & MOSH; & (5) Related Agrmts as Described in the Redev Agrmt, for the Construction by MOSH of a New, Minimum 75,000 sq ft Museum Facility, & Construction by the City of a New 1.5 Acre Joint-use Park & an Add'l 2.86 Acres of Public Park Space & Riverwalk Improvements & Related Road & Utility Improvements, all on the Northbank of the St. Johns River Within the Downtown East Northbank Downtown Community Redev Area; Prov for City Oversight of the Proj by Public Works & Parks, Rec & Community Svcs; Auth the Execution of all Docs Relating to the Above Agrmts & Transactions, & Auth Technical Changes to the Docs (Sawyer) (Req of DIA)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: NCSPHS, F, TEU
3/20/23 NCSPHS Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/21/23 F Read 2nd & Rerefer
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer
Public Hearing Pursuant to Ch 166, F.S. & C.R. 3.601 - 3/28/23

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16. [2023-0190](#) RESO re the City's 2023 List of Priority Projs Related to Transportation Improvements; Prov a Recommendation to the North FL Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) (Staffopoulos) (Introduced by CM White) (Co-Sponsor CM Clark-Murray)
3/14/23 CO Introduced: TEU
3/21/23 TEU Read 2nd & Rerefer

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Public Comment

Carnell Oliver said many political candidates follow the money, not their convictions. Black representation in Jacksonville has been very poor because there's more money to be made in maintaining the status quo than in pursuing change.

NOTE: The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, April 4, 2023.

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

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