

**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting
held Monday, May 17, 2021, at 6:00 P.M.
in the Council Chambers, 11 North 3rd Street,
Jacksonville Beach, Florida**



OPENING CEREMONIES:

In lieu of an invocation, Mayor Hoffman requested a moment of silence for former City Council Member Rick Hale, who recently passed away.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Hoffman called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor: Christine Hoffman

Council Members:	Georgette Dumont	Sandy Golding	Dan Janson
	Fernando Meza	Cory Nichols	Chet Stokes

Also present were City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, Public Works Director, Dennis Barron Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett, Golf Course Superintendent Trevor Hughes, Office Administrator Molly Alleger, and Acting City Clerk Sheri Gosselin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Ms. Golding, to approve the Council Workshop minutes held on April 22, 2021.

Motion to Amend: It was moved by Ms. Dumont, seconded by Ms. Golding, and passed unanimously, to amend the minutes to include “consideration of regular Charter reviews in Section 2.” Motion passed unanimously to approve the minutes as amended.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Ms. Golding, and passed unanimously to approve the following minutes:

- Council Briefing held on April 26, 2021
- Regular Council Meeting held on May 3, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Golding stated Coach Kevin Brown set up a “test pilot” PVC barriers for the dunes on Saturday, May 15, 2021. She added Mayor Hoffman was in attendance, along with a handful of volunteers.

Mayor Hoffman stated she attended the USS Stark Memorial Service, held at the Atlantic Beach Veterans Memorial Park.

Mayor Hoffman thanked Council Members and Department Heads for working all day at the May 14, 2021, workshop on strategic planning for the City.

Mayor Hoffman lastly noted it was “National Public Works Week.” She thanked Director of Public Works Dennis Barron and his team for their hard work.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS:

Mayor Hoffman extended Courtesy of the Floor to visitors. No one came forward to speak.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

Item#21-089 Proclamation for National Gun Violence Awareness Day

Mayor Hoffman read the proclamation [on file] at the end of the meeting, prior to adjournment. She presented the proclamation to representatives from the “National Gun Violence Awareness Day” organization following adjournment.

Item #21-090 Presentation by the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Staff on the North Florida Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

Denise Bunnewith, Planning Director from the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), went over projects from the Transportation Improvement Program, specifically those that affect the City of Jacksonville Beach. Ms. Bunnewith explained the program and the current projects. Ms. Bunnewith responded to questions from Council Members.

Ms. Bunnewith stated the TPO is looking for someone for the Beach Citizens Advisory Committee. Mayor Hoffman asked the City Manager to add to the November Briefing to discuss studies to request for the TPO.

CITY CLERK: *No items*

CITY MANAGER:

Item #21-091 Accept/Reject the Financial Reports for the Month of April 2021

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols and seconded by Ms. Golding to accept the financial reports for April 2021.

Discussion:

There was no discussion by the Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Dumont, Golding, Janson, Meza, Nichols, Stokes, Mayor Hoffman
The motion passed unanimously.

Item #21-092 Approve/Disapprove Payment of the Primary Electrical Service Connection Fee in the Amount of \$3,227.55 on Behalf of the City of Neptune Beach for the Senior Activity Center

Mr. Staffopoulos stated the City of Neptune Beach was rebuilding their Senior Activity Center with a cost in excess of \$400,000. He further advised the City of Neptune Beach requested the

City of Jacksonville Beach make an in-kind donation to the project in the amount of \$3,227.55. He stated this amount is for the primary electrical service connection. Mr. Staffopoulos stated State law does not allow for the waiving of fees, however Council may authorize the City to pay the connection fee on behalf of the City of Neptune Beach.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols and seconded by Ms. Golding to approve the payment of the Primary Electrical Service Connection Fee in the amount of \$3,227.55 on behalf of the City of Neptune Beach for the Senior Activity Center.

Discussion:

There was no discussion by the Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Golding, Janson, Meza, Nichols, Stokes, Dumont, Mayor Hoffman
The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Hoffman announced Item #21-093 and Item #21-094 were removed from the agenda.

Item #21-095 Award/Reject Bid No. 2021-04 Sludge Hauling to Merrell Bros. in the Amount of \$16.88 per ton for Hauling Biosolids to and \$29.00 per ton for Tipping Biosolids at the Indianhead Biomass Facility; or

Award/Reject Bid No. 2014-04 Sludge Hauling to Revinu, Inc., in the Amount of \$25.91 per ton for Hauling and Tipping Biosolids to the Trailhead Landfill

Mr. Barron stated the Public Works Department provided an update to the Council regarding bio-solid disposals and possibly going “greener” with the disposal during the February 8, 2021, Briefing. He noted the current contract with Merrell Brothers would expire on June 18, 2021. Merrell Brothers did not wish to extend the contract for an additional three years. He stated staff collected competitive bids and was now bringing the bid results back for the Council’s consideration. The new contract would be for three years.

Mr. Barron responded to questions from the Council related to the cost difference between the two options, how often the City disposed of the waste, any possible rate increase to our citizens, and the number of bids received.

The Council discussed with staff the cost difference and how it would affect the rates and possible grant opportunities.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols and seconded by Ms. Golding to award Bid No. 2021-04 Sludge Hauling to Revinu, Inc., in the Amount of \$25.91 per ton for hauling and tipping biosolids to the Trailhead Landfill.

Discussion:

There was no discussion by the Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Meza, Nichols, Stokes, Dumont, Golding, Janson, Mayor Hoffman
The motion passed unanimously.

Item #21-096 Approve/Disapprove the Purchase and Installation of Shade Shelters for the Splash Pads at South Beach Park from Shade America, Inc.

Golf Course Superintendent Trevor Hughes stated staff received numerous requests to add shade for the splash pads. He said staff received an estimate for the purchase and installation of shade shelter from Shade America, Inc. for \$55,230. Mr. Hughes recommended adding in a 10% contingency for a total project budget of \$60,753.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols and seconded by Ms. Golding to approve the purchase and installation of shade shelters for the Splash Pads at South Beach Park from Shade America, Inc. with a total project amount of \$60,753.

Discussion:

There was no discussion by the Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Nichols, Stokes, Dumont, Golding, Janson, Meza, Mayor Hoffman
The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

Item #21-097 RESOLUTION NO. 2085-2021

Office Administrator Molly Alleger, from the Parks and Recreation Department, stated staff received seven applications for approval, through the Honorary Street Name Designation Program, for Fallen Wartime Military Veteran status. She stated each nominee lived in Jacksonville Beach and was a veteran killed in action either during World War II or Vietnam.

Public Comment:

The following spoke in favor of the agenda item:

- Thomas Harold, 7985 Plumer Road, Jacksonville

Mayor Hoffman requested the Acting City Clerk read Resolution No. 2085-2021 by title only, whereupon Ms. Gosselin read the following:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING APPLICATIONS AND HONORARY STREET NAME DESIGNATION SIGN LOCATIONS FOR FALLEN WARTIME MILITARY VETERANS UNDER THE HONORARY STREET SIGN DESIGNATION POLICY; AUTHORIZING SIGN INSTALLATION; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF RECITALS, REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS AND COUNCIL DECISIONS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols and seconded by Ms. Golding to adopt Resolution No. 2085-2021, approving the applications and proposed signage locations in accordance with the Honorary Street Designation Policy.

Discussion:

There was no discussion by the Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Stokes, Dumont, Golding, Janson, Meza, Nichols, Mayor Hoffman
The motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCES:

Item #21-098 – ORDINANCE NO. 2021-8166 (Second Reading)

Mayor Hoffman requested the Acting City Clerk read Ordinance No. 2021-8166 by title only, whereupon Ms. Gosselin read the following:

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLORIDA, TO AMEND CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 20 “PARKS AND RECREATION,” ARTICLE IV “PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS,” SECTIONS 20-14(b) “HOURS OF OPERATION” AND 20-14(c) “FISCAL YEAR HOLIDAY HOURS;” PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF RECITALS AND LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”

Mayor Hoffman read the following:

“This ordinance is before this Council for a public hearing and consideration on its second reading. I will now open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2021-8166.”

Public Hearing:

No one came forward to speak on the ordinance. Mayor Hoffman closed the public hearing.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols and seconded by Ms. Golding to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-8166 amending City Code of Ordinances Chapter 20, Article IV, Sections 20-14(b) and 20-14(c) on the second reading.

Discussion:

There was no discussion by the Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Dumont, Golding, Janson, Meza, Nichols, Stokes, Mayor Hoffman
The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

Submitted by: Sheri Gosselin
Acting City Clerk

Approval:


Cory Nichols, MAYOR PRO TEM

Date: 6/7/2021