

OPENING CEREMONIES: INVOCATION, FOLLOWED BY SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Council Member Janson asked for a moment of silence to recognize the death of William Mathews, and provided the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ROLL CALL:

Mayor: Christine Hoffman

Council Members:	Sandy Golding	Bill Horn	Dan Janson
	Fernando Meza	Greg Sutton	John Wagner

Also present were: City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, City Attorney David Migut, Director of Beaches Energy Services Allen Putnam, Director of Public Works Dennis Barron, Chief Information Officer Bill Rieger, Director of Parks and Recreation Jason Phitides, and City Clerk Sheri Gosselin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

- Special City Council Meeting held on September 16, 2024
- Regular City Council Meeting held on September 16, 2024

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Golding, seconded by Mr. Janson, to approve the agenda.

Voice Vote: In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Meza expressed sorrow over recent tragedies, including the death of William Mathews and a car accident involving teenagers. He praised a community effort led by the owner of Angie's Subs, Ed Malin, who organized donations for Hurricane Helene victims in North Carolina.

Council Member Sutton recognized Director of Public Works Dennis Barron, and the Public Works department for working with Waste Pro to quickly clear storm debris off the streets. He mentioned attending Florida League of Cities (FLC) meetings and highlighted his role on the Intergovernmental Relations, Mobility, and Emergency Management Committee. He congratulated Council Member Golding on becoming the chair of her committee [Municipal Operations].

Council Member Golding thanked Public Works, Waste Pro, and Beaches Energy Services for their efforts during Hurricane Helene and preparations for Hurricane Milton. She acknowledged community donations for hurricane victims and expressed concern for those facing Milton's impact. She announced the Beaches Watch Jacksonville Beach Candidate Forum would be held via Zoom and promoted the Whiskers & Waves Pet Adoption Event on October 19-20, 2024. She extended condolences to the Mathews family and urged residents to stay safe.

Council Member Janson commended all departments for their efforts during recent storms. He provided updates from the FLC Development, Code Compliance and Redevelopment Policy Committee, mentioning a focus on affordable housing this session.

Council Member Wagner recognized the Citizens Information Academy for offering residents a chance to learn about the city and engage with its leaders.

Council Member Horn urged residents to prepare for the storm by ensuring they had necessary supplies and emphasized the unpredictability of the storm's impact.

City Manager Mike Staffopoulos provided an update on Hurricane Milton, noting Governor DeSantis' state of emergency declaration for Duval County. He advised residents not to put out more yard waste and emphasized storm preparations. He announced cancellations of city meetings due to the storm and anticipated a 3–5-foot storm surge.

Mr. Sutton expressed concerns about onshore winds and heavy rainfall posing risks to large trees. Mr. Barron explained the City of Neptune Beach requested the Lakeside gate remain open due to paving work being done on Kings Road, and due to the weather. The gate would stay open until the paving was completed.

Mr. Sutton also raised safety concerns about a leaning sign at a vacant property on South 3rd Street. Mr. Staffopoulos noted the property owner had been cited, and the building official attempted to reach the owner.

Mayor Hoffman expressed condolences to the Mathews family and emphasized following Jax Ready for storm updates. She confirmed the Beaches Watch forum would be virtual and encouraged staying informed through social media.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS:

- Tim Harrell, 2796 Colonies Drive, Jacksonville Beach, spoke about contractors speeding in his neighborhood.
- David Zuckerman, 1794 Ocean Drive South, Jacksonville Beach, spoke about dogs off leash on the beach.
- Roger Whiting, 1103 Second Avenue North, Jacksonville Beach, spoke about the building height of the project across from Gonzalez Park.
- Taylor Jensen, 632 Oak Street, Neptune Beach, spoke about the City of Jacksonville Beach pension policy. Mr. Jensen provided a handout to the Clerk.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Item A Approve the Scope of Work from Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc., d/b/a Tremco, to replace the Cemetery Maintenance Building roof, repair the walls, and waterproof the structure for an amount not to exceed \$48,749.11

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Golding, seconded by Mr. Janson, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Voice Vote: In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL: None

CITY CLERK: None

CITY MANAGER/NEW BUSINESS:

Item A Approve/Disapprove Beaches Energy Services 2025 Capital, Operational, and Maintenance Plan and Strategic Rate Design Scope of Services

Director of Beaches Energy Allen Putnam provided background on the item.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Golding, seconded by Mr. Janson, to approve Beaches Energy Services 2025 Capital, Operational, and Maintenance Plan and Strategic Rate Design Scope of Services.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about the timeline.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Golding, Horn, Janson, Meza, Sutton, Wagner, and Mayor Hoffman.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item B Approve/Disapprove the expanded Scope of Services with BISDigital and additional funding for Council Chambers Audio/Visual Equipment

Chief Information Officer Bill Rieger provided background on the item.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Golding, seconded by Mr. Janson, to approve the expanded Scope of Services with BISDigital and additional funding for Council Chambers Audio/Visual Equipment.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about the camera placement, livestream and remote capabilities, an agenda management feature, funding, and timeline.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Horn, Janson, Meza, Sutton, Wagner, Golding, and Mayor Hoffman.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item C Approve/Disapprove additional funding to repair/replace the Sanitary Sewer manhole and piping in the area of 22nd Street North for an amount not to exceed \$719,700.00

Mr. Barron provided background on the item.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Golding, seconded by Mr. Janson, to approve additional funding to repair/replace the Sanitary Sewer manhole and piping in the area of 22nd Street North for an amount not to exceed \$719,700.00.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about the slip-lining project, the possible cause of the issue, and the scope of work.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Janson, Meza, Sutton, Wagner, Golding, Horn, and Mayor Hoffman.

The motion passed unanimously.

**Item D Approve/Disapprove a one-time extension of membership to Paws Dog Park
for eligible members**

Director of Parks and Recreation Jason Phitides provided background on the item.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Golding, seconded by Mr. Janson, to approve a one-time extension of membership to Paws Dog Park for eligible members.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Meza, Sutton, Wagner, Golding, Horn, Janson, and Mayor Hoffman.

The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS: None

ORDINANCES: None

ADJOURNMENT:

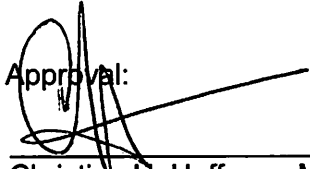
Motion: It was moved by Ms. Golding, seconded by Mr. Janson, to adjourn.

Voice Vote: Ayes: Golding, Janson, Meza, Sutton, Mayor Hoffman,
 Nays: Horn
 The motion passed 6-1.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:04 P.M.

Submitted by: Sheri Gosselin
City Clerk

Approval:



Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR

Date: 10/21/24