

OPENING CEREMONIES: INVOCATION, FOLLOWED BY SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Council Member Wagner provided the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro-Tem Janson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor: Christine Hoffman (absent)

Council Members:	Sandy Golding (remote)	Bill Horn	Dan Janson
	Greg Sutton	John Wagner	Bruce Wouters

Also present were: City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, City Attorney David Migut, Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Coordinator Taylor Mobbs, and City Clerk Sheri Gosselin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Horn, and passed unanimously to approve the following minutes:

- Regular City Council Meeting held on February 3, 2025
- City Council Briefing held on February 10, 2025

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Horn, to approve the agenda minus Item A 1. and 2., under City Manager/New Business.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Pro-Tem Janson reported on a recent trip to Washington, D.C., where he discussed the 13th Avenue South appropriation with Congressman Rutherford. He noted the Florida League of Cities' opposition to tax exemptions on municipal bonds and support for the National Flood Insurance Program. He provided legislative updates on House Bill 301 and Senate Bill 184.

Council Member Wouters provided a handout to the Council and expressed concerns related to the Land Development Code update, including reduced setbacks in RM-1 and RM-2 districts, stormwater issues, privacy concerns, and impacts on neighborhood character.

Council Member Golding announced a public workshop on the Land Development Code scheduled for February 20, 2025. Ms. Golding stated a Town Hall would be held on March 5, 2025, at the Beaches Branch Library with Jacksonville City Council members, including Matt Carlucci, Nick Howland, Chris Miller, Ron Salem, and District 13 Representative Rory Diamond. Ms. Golding noted the start of the legislative session on March 4, 2025, and urged council members to oppose House Bill 301.

Council Member Horn thanked fellow council members for advocating at the state level, highlighting concerns about state preemption affecting local governance. He opposed the proposed Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) legislation and emphasized protecting local control.

Council Member Wagner announced the Seawalk Music Festival to be held February 22-23, 2025.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS:

- Ronda Steinke-McDonald, 1120 S 2nd Avenue North, Jacksonville Beach, spoke about public workshops.
- Thomas Harrell, 2796 Colonies Drive, Jacksonville Beach, spoke about ongoing construction.
- Adam Feber, 3916 Grande Boulevard, Jacksonville Beach, spoke about the variance process.
- David Parson, 1706 1st Street, Jacksonville Beach, spoke about trash and pollution concerns at the car wash on 16th Avenue South.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Item A Accept the monthly financial reports for the month of January 2025

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Horn, 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 1. Approve/Disapprove the First One-year Extension of the Contract Agreement with Heart Utilities for Installation of Underground Electric Infrastructure (RFP #08-2021); and**
- 2. Authorize the Mayor and City Manager to execute the First One-year Extension of the Contract Agreement with Heart Utilities for Installation of Underground Electric Infrastructure**

Item A was removed from the agenda.

- Item B 1. Approve/Disapprove the Scope and Fee for Phase I - Conceptual Design of the low speed vehicle parking lot; and**
- 2. Authorize the Mayor and City Manager to execute the Scope and Fee for Phase I - Conceptual Design of the low speed vehicle parking lot**

CRA Coordinator Taylor Mobbs provided background on the item.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Horn, to approve the Scope and Fee for Phase I - Conceptual Design of the low speed vehicle parking lot.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about preserving palm trees and ADA parking.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Golding, Horn, Sutton, Wagner, Wouters, and Mayor Pro-Tem Janson

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Horn, to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to execute the Scope and Fee for Phase I - Conceptual Design of the low speed vehicle parking lot.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Horn, Sutton, Wagner, Wouters, Golding, and Mayor Pro-Tem Janson

The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS: None

ORDINANCES: None

ADJOURNMENT:

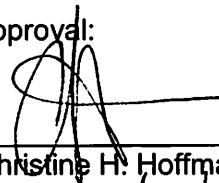
Motion: It was moved by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to adjourn.

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

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:29 P.M.

Submitted by: Sheri Gosselin
City Clerk

Approval:



Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR

Date: 3/3/25