

Minutes of Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Workshop
Monday, August 11, 2025 – 5:30 P.M.
City Council Conference Room, 1st Floor
11 North 3rd Street, Jacksonville Beach, FL



City Manager Mike Staffopoulos called the Budget Workshop to order at 5:30 P.M.

City Council Members in attendance:

Mayor: Christine Hoffman

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

Also present were City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, Director of Planning and Development Heather Ireland, Community Redevelopment Agency Coordinator Taylor Mobbs, City Attorney David Migut, Director of Public Works Dennis Barron, and Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett.

Planning and Development

Director of Planning and Development Heather Ireland highlighted the accomplishments for FY2025. Ms. Ireland reviewed the Department Goals for FY2026 for the following divisions: Planning, Building Inspection, and Code Enforcement. Ms. Ireland spoke about the Strategic Plan Priority, Goals, and Objectives, such as developing a Complete Street Design Guide and completing and publishing a development and redevelopment guidance document. Ms. Ireland reviewed the Planning and Development Department's performance measures.

Community Redevelopment Agency

Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Coordinator Taylor Mobbs highlighted the FY2025 accomplishments and reviewed the FY2025 goals for the Downtown and Southend Districts. She discussed public art initiatives, upcoming plans for a passive park at the southwest corner of South Beach Parkway and America Drive, the success of the Façade Grant program, and details of the upcoming Safety Grant program. Ms. Mobbs and City Attorney David Migut provided an update on the internal Public-Private Partnership (P3) policy, which aims to redevelop publicly owned downtown parcels in partnership with private-sector developers. Ms. Mobbs and Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett also addressed the 50% reduction in Tax Increment Funding (TIF) for the Southend CRA District.

Public Works

Director of Public Works Dennis Barron reviewed the Department's goals for Streets, Water, Wastewater, Distribution & Collection, and Stormwater divisions. Mr. Barron spoke about recent accomplishments, highlighting the completion of the Strategic Plan for the Chlorination Conversion project and the conversion paving program, which utilizes the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) and values to make the paving program a data-driven improvement process. Mr. Barron outlined the performance measures for the Public Works Department.

The workshop adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Submitted by: Jodilynn Byrd
Deputy City Clerk

Approved:



Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR

8/18/25

Date