

OPENING CEREMONIES: INVOCATION, FOLLOWED BY SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Council Member Janson 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
	Greg Sutton	John Wagner	Bruce Wouters

Also present were: City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, Beaches Energy Electrical Engineer Matt Seeley, Director of Public Works Dennis Barron, City Attorney David Migut, and City Clerk Molly Alleger.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

- Regular City Council Meeting held on August 4, 2025
- Regular City Council Meeting held on August 18, 2025

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Golding announced the first budget hearing would be held on September 2, 2025, in Council Chambers, with the second on September 15, 2025. She encouraged residents to review the budget online and attend the hearings. She noted Jacksonville Mayor Deegan would host a budget Town Hall at Fletcher High School on the same evening as the second hearing, which also overlapped with Neptune Beach's City Council meeting, and stated residents were welcome to attend if they preferred. She announced Beaches Watch would host "Beaches Go Green 2.0" at the Beaches Branch Library on September 3, 2025, highlighting its focus on connecting personal health to planetary health and featuring student presentations. She concluded by encouraging attendance at Fin Fest at the Seawalk Pavilion on September 12–13, 2025.

Council Member Janson encouraged residents to view the most recent "Take Two Tuesday" video on social media, noting it provided a clear overview of upcoming events for the next three months.

Council Member Wagner expressed appreciation for the Jacksonville Beach Police Department's back-to-school safety program, noting its strong presence in neighborhoods created a safe and visible environment that helped prevent issues seen in surrounding communities. He shared that several neighbors remarked positively on the program and thanked the department for its planning and implementation. He also reported attending the Beaches Memorial Walk for

Overdose Awareness, commended the City's participation, and recognized Mayor Hoffman's welcoming introduction.

Mayor Hoffman expressed appreciation for having the Seawalk Pavilion as a community venue to gather on difficult topics such as opioid overdose. She noted a large military operation, Unitas, would begin the weekend of September 13, 2025, operating out of Naval Station Mayport and involving naval forces from North and South America. She stated the operation might coincide with Fin Fest and could bring increased visitors to the area, with many service members staying locally.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: None

CITY CLERK: None

CITY MANAGER/NEW BUSINESS:

Item A 1. Award/Reject Bid No. 2425-03 to Wesco and WEG for the purchase of Distribution Padmount Transformers; and

2. Authorize the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate and execute any contract as a result of this bid award

Beaches Energy Electrical Engineer Matthew Seeley introduced the item and provided background.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to award Bid No. 2425-03 to Wesco and WEG for the purchase of Distribution Padmount Transformers.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about the bid.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate and execute any contract as a result of this bid award.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Item B 1. Award/Reject Bid Number 2425-12 to PBM Constructors, Inc. for Lift Station #25 Rehabilitation for an amount not to exceed \$418,255; and

2. Award/Reject the agreement with Alliant Engineering, Inc., for construction administration services for an amount not to exceed \$16,390 for this project; and

3. Authorize the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate and execute any contract as a result of this bid award

Director of Public Works Dennis Barron introduced the item and provided background.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to award Bid Number 2425-12 to PBM Constructors, Inc. for Lift Station #25 Rehabilitation for an amount not to exceed \$418,255.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about lift station rehabilitation and cycle.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to award the agreement with Alliant Engineering, Inc., for construction administration services for an amount not to exceed \$16,390 for this project.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about construction administration.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate and execute any contract as a result of this bid award.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

- Item C**
- 1. Award/Reject Bid No. 2425-07 to AWA Contracting Co. Inc. for the Central and South Basin Culvert Improvements for an amount not to exceed \$4,950,424; and**
 - 2. Award/Reject the agreement with Jones Edmunds Engineering, for construction administration services for an amount not to exceed \$114,850 for this project; and**
 - 3. Authorize the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate and execute any contract as a result of this bid award**

Director of Public Works Dennis Barron introduced the item and provided background.

The following spoke in opposition of the item:

- Tom Komarek, 533 11th Avenue South, Jacksonville Beach

- Martha Backer, 410 13th Avenue South, Jacksonville Beach

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to award Bid No. 2425-07 to AWA Contracting Co. Inc. for the Central and South Basin Culvert Improvements for an amount not to exceed \$4,950,424.

Mr. Barron addressed the citizens' concerns.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about improvements, stormwater drainage, public access, safety, communications, wildlife relocation, project hours, tree removal, updated website, culverts, discounts, transportation impacts, sidewalk, and fencing.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to award the agreement with Jones Edmunds Engineering, for construction administration services for an amount not to exceed \$114,850 for this project.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate and execute any contract as a result of this bid award.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS: None

ORDINANCES:

Item A **Approve/Disapprove Ordinance No. 2025-8227 on the first reading amending Chapter 2 "Administration", Article VII "Civil Emergencies", Section 2-193 "Authority to Declare and Extend a State of Emergency; Activation of Disaster Plans" to update and clarify procedures for declaring or extending a state of emergency, and schedule a second reading for September 15, 2025**

City Attorney David Migut provided background on the item.

Mayor Hoffman requested the City Clerk read Ordinance No. 2025-8227 by title only, whereupon Ms. Alleger read the following:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2 "ADMINISTRATION", ARTICLE VII "CIVIL EMERGENCIES", SECTION 2-193 "AUTHORITY TO DECLARE AND EXTEND A STATE OF EMERGENCY; ACTIVATION OF DISASTER PLANS." TO UPDATE AND CLARIFY PROCEDURES FOR DECLARING OR EXTENDING A STATE OF EMERGENCY; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, SCRIVENER'S ERRORS, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

Mayor Hoffman read the following: "This ordinance is before this Council for a public hearing and consideration on its first reading.

I will now open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2025-8227."

Public Hearing:

No one came forth to speak. Mayor Hoffman closed the public hearing.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to approve Ordinance No. 2025-8227 on the first reading amending Chapter 2 "Administration", Article VII "Civil Emergencies", Section 2-193 "Authority to Declare and Extend a State of Emergency; Activation of Disaster Plans" to update and clarify procedures for declaring or extending a state of emergency, and schedule a second reading for September 15, 2025.

Discussion: A discussion ensued about amendments and City Council authority.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

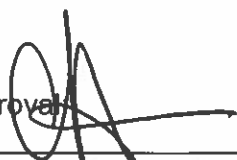
ADJOURNMENT:

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

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

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

Submitted by: Molly Alleger
City Clerk

Approval: 
Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR
Date: 9/15/25