

**Minutes of Special City Council Meeting
held Tuesday, September 3, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.
in the Council Chambers, 11 North 3rd Street,
Jacksonville Beach, Florida**



CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Hoffman called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor: Christine Hoffman

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

Also present were City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, City Attorney David Migut, Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett, and City Clerk Molly Alleger.

PURPOSE OF MEETING:

Mayor Hoffman stated this was the first of two special meetings being held to adopt the City's Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget.

The purpose of the meeting was to:

- 1) Adopt a proposed Millage Rate for FY2026
- 2) Adopt a tentative Operating Budget for FY2026

Mayor Hoffman read the following statement into the record:

"The first item to be discussed is the Proposed Millage Rate. The budget for the City of Jacksonville Beach was prepared using a millage rate of \$3.9947 mills. The rolled back rate is \$3.8136 mills. The proposed millage rate of \$3.9947 mills is 4.7% more than the rolled back rate.

The second item to be discussed is the Tentative Operating Budget. The Tentative Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 is \$248,040,185."

Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett reviewed the budget process and went over a brief presentation of the highlights (on file).

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Hoffman opened the Public Hearing.

No one came before the Council to speak.

Mayor Hoffman closed the public hearing.

PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE – FY 2026

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to adopt the proposed Millage Rate for operating purposes of \$3.9947 mills for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

There was no discussion by the Council.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Golding, Janson, Sutton, Wagner, Mayor Hoffman
Nays - Wouters

The motion passed 5-1.

TENTATIVE OPERATING BUDGET – FY 2026

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Janson, seconded by Ms. Golding, to adopt the tentative Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 of \$248,040,185.

Mayor Hoffman thanked department heads and staff for their efforts in putting together the budget. There was no discussion by the Council.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Janson, Sutton, Wagner, Golding, Mayor Hoffman
Nays - Wouters

The motion passed 5-1.

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 5:43 P.M.

Submitted by: Molly Alleger
City Clerk

Approval:



Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR

Date:

9/15/25