Minutes of City Council Briefing
Monday, January 20, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.
Via Video Conference

The Council Briefing began at 5:30 P.M. The meeting was held via video conference using the Zoom platform.

The following City Council Members were in attendance:

Mayor:	Christine Hoffman		
Council Members:	Georgette Dumont	Sandy Golding	Dan Janson
	Fernando Meza	Cory Nichols	Chet Stokes

Also present were City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, City Attorney Sandy Robinson, Chief of Police Gene Paul Smith, and Attorney Cliff Shepard.

Purpose of Briefing
The purpose of the Briefing was to update the Council members about ongoing items in the City.

City Manager
Number of alcohol licenses allowed within the City
Attorney Cliff Shepard reviewed a PowerPoint presentation [on file] regarding Liquor License Limitation, Chapter 1, Section 2: Jacksonville Beach Charter. Mr. Shepard explained the City's options for change and the possible positive and negative issues due to a change in additional alcohol licenses.

A conversation ensued regarding the current number of alcohol licenses allowed within the City, the possibility of increasing the number of licenses allowed, and different metrics to decide the number of possible additional alcohol licenses for the future.

The Council's consensus was to make no changes to the current number of alcohol licenses allowed within the City. In the future, the date to be determined, the City may hire an outside consultant to conduct a study to provide information on ways to determine an appropriate increase of alcohol licenses within the City.

Results of the Open House on January 12. 2022, regarding 35 feet height limitation in the Central Business District (CBD)
A conversation ensued regarding the outcome of the recently held Community Open House, January 12, 2022, regarding the current 35-foot height limit in the CBD.

It was the consensus of Council to postpone adding the topic to the ballot of the upcoming November 2022 election. Additional community education and Open Houses would be offered regarding this topic. The City Clerk would provide information regarding the deadlines to possibly include this topic on the ballot at a future election.

Mr. Shepard stated he sent a revised version of the ordinance [on file] with all agreed changes suggested during the Charter review meetings. City Manager Mike Staffopoulos informed the

Council a copy of the proposed ordinance with the Charter changes would be sent to the Council at least two weeks before the first reading of the ordinance for review.

The Briefing adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Submitted by: Jodilynn Byrd
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Approved:

Cory Nichols, Mayor pro-tem

Date: 2/7/2022