

**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting
held Monday, June 20, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.
in the Council Chambers, 11 North 3rd Street,
Jacksonville Beach, Florida**



OPENING CEREMONIES:

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 Dan Janson Fernando Meza
Cory Nichols Georgette Dumont Chet Stokes (Late)

Also present were: City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, City Attorney Sandra Robinson, Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett, Director of Planning and Development Heather Ireland, Utilities Superintendent Phillip Brown, Conservation Specialist Travis Vargo, Business Relations and Conservation Coordinator Rik Amato, and City Clerk Sheri Gosselin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

- Regular City Council Meeting held on June 6, 2022
- Council Briefing held on June 13, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Meza congratulated Mr. Nichols, Ms. Golding, and new Council Member-elect Mr. Bill Horn on a successful election.

Mr. Janson also congratulated Mr. Horn on his election.

Council Member Golding recognized Juneteenth and thanked the Rhoda L. Martin Cultural Center for hosting a march. She announced a Height Limit Open House scheduled for July 11, 2022. She noted Beaches Watch would host its annual Police Panel on July 13, 2022, featuring Chief Smith and the other two beach Chiefs. Ms. Golding thanked [Electrical Engineering Project Supervisor] Matt Seeley and Director of Beaches Energy Services Allen Putnam who appeared on a local news program to talk about the new lighting to be installed to help keep sea turtle hatchlings from being disoriented.

Mayor Hoffman also recognized the Juneteenth celebration hosted by the Rhoda L. Martin Cultural Center. She congratulated her colleagues on their election. Mayor Hoffman read the following statement into the record:

“We recently passed a resolution that puts guidelines and restrictions on remote participation in council meetings. The resolution requires me to put on the record that a request had been made. Mr. Janson requested to participate remotely in tonight’s meeting. I reviewed the request and determined that it did not rise to an emergency or unforeseeable event, which is the standard to which I am held. Mr. Janson had the opportunity to bring his request to the council whose standard would be ‘good cause shown.’ Mr. Janson declined to bring his request to the council.”

She thanked the City Attorney and City Manager, as well as Mr. Janson, for running us through the new policy for the first time.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

Item A Proclamation to Beaches Sea Turtle Patrol

Mayor Hoffman read the proclamation [on file] for Beaches Sea Turtle Patrol. Representatives from the group accepted the proclamation.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS: None

CITY CLERK: *No items*

CITY MANAGER:

Item A Accept/Reject the Monthly Financial Reports for the month of May 2022

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols, and seconded by Ms. Golding, to accept the Monthly Financial Reports for the month of May 2022.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Dumont, Golding, Janson, Meza, Nichols, Stokes, Mayor Hoffman.
The motion passed unanimously.

Item B Approve/Disapprove Final Plat for Campbell Cove Townhomes

Director of Planning and Development Heather Ireland provided background information on the item.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols, and seconded by Ms. Golding, to approve the Final Plat for Campbell Cove Townhomes.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Golding, Janson, Meza, Nichols, Stokes, Dumont, Mayor Hoffman.
The motion passed unanimously.

Item C Approve/Disapprove Final Plat for Owen Shores Townhomes

Ms. Ireland provided background information on the item.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols, and seconded by Ms. Golding, to approve the Final Plat for Owen Shores Townhomes.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Janson, Meza, Nichols, Stokes, Dumont, Golding, Mayor Hoffman.
The motion passed unanimously.

Item D Approve/Disapprove the emergency purchase of a Sequential Batch Processor Blower from Neuros in the amount of \$38,740

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols, and seconded by Ms. Golding, to approve the emergency purchase of a Sequential Batch Processor Blower from Neuros in the amount of \$38,740.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Meza, Nichols, Stokes, Dumont, Golding, Janson, Mayor Hoffman.
The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

Item A Adopt/Deny Resolution No. 2104-2022 Amending the Energy Efficiency and Customer Incentive Rebate Program

Mayor Hoffman requested the City Clerk read Resolution No. 2104-2022 by title only, whereupon Ms. Gosselin read the following:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 1932-2014, THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CUSTOMER INCENTIVE REBATE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF RECITALS, REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS AND COUNCIL DECISIONS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”

Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett provided background information on the program and the proposed updates.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols, and seconded by Ms. Golding, to adopt Resolution No. 2104-2022 amending the Energy Efficiency and Customer Incentive Rebate Program.

Discussion:

Conservation Specialist Travis Vargo and Business Relations and Conservation Coordinator Rik Amato answered questions about the program's public outreach and qualification criteria.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Nichols, Stokes, Dumont, Golding, Janson, Meza, Mayor Hoffman.
The motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCES:

Item A Approve/Disapprove Ordinance No. 2022-8177 abandoning certain City rights-of-way described therein on the first reading and schedule a second reading for July 18, 2022

Ms. Ireland provided background information on the Ordinance.

Applicant Zach Miller, 3203 Old Barn Court, Ponte Vedra Beach, provided additional information.

Chuck Kennedy, 3731 Eagle Ridge Drive, Jacksonville, project Civil Engineer, addressed the utility relocation with a presentation [on file].

Mayor Hoffman requested the City Clerk read Ordinance 2022-8177 by title only, whereupon Ms. Gosselin read the following:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLORIDA, VACATING, DISCONTINUING, ABANDONING, AND CLOSING PORTIONS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY KNOWN AS PORTIONS OF FIRST AVENUE NORTH AND SECOND AVENUE NORTH, BEING PART OF GOVERNMENT LOTS THREE AND SIX, SECTION THIRTY-THREE, TOWNSHIP TWO SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, AS RECORDED IN THE CURRENT PUBLIC RECORDS OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUBJECT TO EXPRESSED RESERVATION UNTO SAID CITY OF PERPETUAL EASEMENTS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, 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 2022-8177."

Public Hearing:

The following submitted speaker cards in opposition to the Ordinance, but did not wish to speak:

- Mary Phillips, 934 10th Street North, Jacksonville Beach
- Ryan Leatherwood, 806 2nd Avenue North, Jacksonville Beach

The following spoke in opposition to the Ordinance:

- Trey Phillips, 934 10th Street North, Jacksonville Beach

- Roger Whiting, 1103 2nd Avenue North, Jacksonville Beach
- Michelle Tipton, 2333 Azalea Drive, Jacksonville Beach
- John Tipton, 2333 Azalea Drive, Jacksonville Beach
- Suzanne Ferreria, 523-525 4th Avenue North, Jacksonville Beach
- Tony Komarek, 533 11th Avenue South, Jacksonville Beach
- Lori Crunden, 242 San Pablo Road North, Jacksonville Beach

Mayor Hoffman closed the public hearing.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Nichols, and seconded by Ms. Golding, to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-8173, abandoning certain City rights-of-way described therein on the first reading and schedule a second reading for July 18, 2022.

Discussion:

A discussion ensued about easements, right-of-way abandonment, permits, Resolution No. 1514-96, possibly setting a precedent, Ordinance language, and public interest.

Motion to Amend: It was moved by Ms. Dumont, and seconded by Ms. Golding, to postpone the first hearing until July 18, 2022.

Discussion:

A brief discussion ensued about the amendment, City policy, and the prior City Resolution.

Roll Call Vote on Amended Motion: Ayes – Dumont, Golding, Mayor Hoffman
Nays – Stokes, Janson, Meza, Nichols
The amended motion failed 3-4.

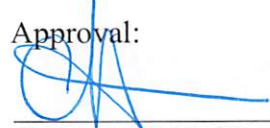
Roll Call Vote on Original Motion: Ayes – Janson, Nichols, Stokes
Nays – Dumont, Golding, Meza, Mayor Hoffman
The original motion failed 3-4.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

Submitted by: Sheri Gosselin
City Clerk

Approval:


Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR

Date:

7/18/22