
The Council Briefing began at 5:30 P.M.

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 (late)

Also present were City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, City Attorney Sandra Robinson, Streets Superintendent Dave McDonald, Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett, Chief of Parks Maintenance and Development Trevor Hughes, Police Chief Gene Paul Smith, Commander Thomas Bingham, City System Engineer Ricardo Pizarro, and CRA Coordinator Taylor Mobbs.

Purpose of Briefing

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

City Manager

Miscellaneous City Manager's Items

Streets Superintendent Dave McDonald provided the Council with an outline of two options of possible solid waste and recycling collection/disposal [on file].

A conversation ensued regarding the surrounding beach communities' waste and recycling collection schedules and fees. It was the consensus of the Council for Mr. McDonald to obtain quotes for solid waste and recycling collection and present it to the Council for review at a future briefing.

ARPA Update

Chief Financial Officer Ashlie Gossett provided an update regarding the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Ms. Gossett stated the deadline for obligating federal received monies is December 31, 2024, with expenditure by the end of FY2026. However, the City of Jacksonville (COJ) funds require full expenditure by September 30, 2022.

Ms. Gossett stated several projects were approved by the Council in a briefing on November 22, 2021, and met eligible requirements while conforming to expenditure deadlines at the federal and COJ levels. These projects were divided into two categories: Priorities 1 and 2.

Ms. Gossett explained since the November 22, 2021 briefing, there had been a significant escalation in cost. As a result, the updated estimates for Priority 1 projects now exceed the direct ARPA funding, as shown in the attached table.

Ms. Gossett stated staff met with the grant administrator of COJ and was advised investments in information technology, public safety, and public buildings were permissible, in addition to previously identified water/sewer projects.

It was the consensus of the Council to continue with and only work on Priority 1 projects with ARPA funding.

Urban Trails Master Plan

Chief of Parks Maintenance and Development Trevor Hughes reviewed highlights of the Jax Beach Parks and Rec Urban Trails Master Plan draft. A conversation ensued regarding design and policy suggestions.

The consensus of the Council was for staff to address the Council's concerns and suggestions with the design consultant and bring back a final draft of the Urban Trails Master Plan for formal consideration at an upcoming Council meeting.

Camera System

Police Chief Gene Paul Smith provided a brief overview of the history of the current surveillance camera system being used by the Police Department.

Commander Thomas Bingham provided a summary [on file] of the proposed surveillance camera enhancements for the Police department. City System Engineer Ricardo Pizarro and Siemens Account Executive Preston Bullen answered questions about the technical aspect of the proposed system enhancement.

It was the consensus of the Council to continue forward with the project.

Southend Redevelopment Area Plan Update

Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Coordinator Taylor Mobbs provided a Southend Redevelopment area plan update. She stated that at a CRA meeting on July 25, 2022, the CRA voted and adopted the final Southend Redevelopment Area Plan Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the 2023-2027FY. It is anticipated the CIP would be reviewed every five years moving forward until 2047, when the CRA expires.

CRA Quarterly Report and Update

Ms. Mobbs provided a CRA Quarterly report and update. Ms. Mobbs highlighted an update regarding the Downtown CRA District, Southend CRA District NS Staff/Consultant Assignments.

Committee Assignment Report

None

Future Briefing Topics

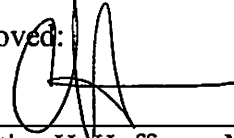
Council Member Chet Stokes requested a future briefing topic be the recent change in legislation regarding no smoking in public places. City Manager Mike Staffopoulos stated after further legal review, the topic would be added as a future briefing topic.

Council Member Cory Nichols requested a future briefing topic be added regarding adding additional pickleball courts within the City. It was the consensus of the Council to further discuss the topic during the upcoming park update from the Parks and Recreation Department.

The Briefing adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

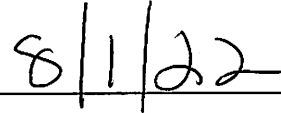
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Deputy City Clerk

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Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR

Date: _____

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