

City Council Meeting Minutes
September 25, 2017
Jacksonville, Alabama

The City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met for the Regular Council Meeting on Monday, September 25, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Court Room at the Public Safety Complex, 911 Public Safety Drive, Jacksonville, Alabama. Council President Sandra Fox Sudduth called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Upon roll call, the following Council Members were present: Jimmy L. Harrell, Jr., Tony Taylor and Coty Galloway. Council Member Jerry Parris was absent. Mayor, Financial Control Officer (FCO)/City Administrator, City Clerk and City Attorney were present.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to approve the Minutes from September 14, 2017 Regular Rescheduled Council Meeting and Work Session. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

The Council President asked for corrections or additions to the Agenda. There were five.

- Add to Item 24:** *Consider action to approve the employment of the following:*
 - d. Christopher Stephen Curvin, Police Officer, Range 15, effective upon compliance with Ordinance No. 273, due to the resignation of Daniel Tomlinson.*
 - e. Nicholas Arnold Harbison, Police Officer, Range 15, effective upon compliance with Ordinance No. 273, due to the resignation of Jonathan Dickson.*
- Add Item 17a:** *Consideration of Ordinance Amending Sections 20-56 and 20-57 of Chapter 20 – Taxation Article III. Lodgings Tax of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama (First Reading).*
- Add Item 17b:** *Consideration of Ordinance Amending Section 20-81 of Chapter 20 – Taxation Article IV. Rental/Leasing Tax of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama (First Reading).*
- Add Item 17c:** *Consideration of Ordinance Amending Section 7-27 Gasoline of Chapter 7 – Businesses of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama (First Reading).*
- Amend Item 25:** *Purchases over \$5,000:*
 - 1. Fire*
 - a. \$16,470.00 (not \$33,210.00)*

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. The Council President asked for comments concerning current Agenda items. There was one.

Name and address. Topic and statement.

Sherry Blanton, 603 12th Ave NE. Item 11, spoke in support of findings of referenced addresses as public nuisances.

PUBLIC HEARING: R-2 TO B-2 REZONING REQUEST AT 1314 PELHAM ROAD, S.

The Council President opened the Public Hearing at 7:26 p.m.

Name and address. Topic and statement.

Robbie Medders, 605 Laura Lane. Spoke in support of Rezoning.

The Council President closed the Public Hearing at 7:28 p.m.

FIRST READING: ORDINANCE REZONING 1314 PELHAM RD, ST (R-2 TO B-2).

First Reading of Ordinance that rezones property at 1314 Pelham Road, South from R-2 (two-family residential district) to B-2 (general business district). Made part of Minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING: OBJECTIONS TO PUBLIC NUISANCE FINDING FOR FOLLOWING PROPERTIES – 83 C ST, SW; 506 FRANCIS ST, E; 311 2ND AVE, NE; 13 A ST, SW. The Council President opened the Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Name and address. Topic and statement.

Joe Maloney, spoke on behalf of Larry Yevik. Proposes Client tear down 83 C St. SW by December. Withdraw objection to 506 Francis St., E. Maintain objection to 311 2nd Ave, NE. Client plans on renovating 13 A St., SW and doesn't feel the second building on the property is dilapidated.

The Council President closed the Public Hearing at 7:35 p.m.

R-1971-17: DECLARING 83 C ST, SW, A PUBLIC NUISANCE – ORDERED

DEMOLISHED. A motion was made by Council Member Harrell, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to approve Resolution R-1971-17 declaring the structure located at 83 C Street, SW, Jacksonville, Alabama 36265, Tax Parcel #12-06-14-3-001-013.000, to be unsafe to the extent of being a public nuisance and ordering the structure be demolished. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

R-1972-17: DECLARING 506 FRANCIS ST, E, A PUBLIC NUISANCE – ORDERED

DEMOLISHED. A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to approve Resolution R-1972-17 declaring the structure located at 506 Francis Street, E, Jacksonville, Alabama 36265, Tax Parcel #12-06-13-2-002-051.000, to be unsafe to the extent of being a public nuisance and ordering the structure be demolished. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

R-1973-17: DECLARING 311 2ND AVE, NE, A PUBLIC NUISANCE – ORDERED

DEMOLISHED. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to approve Resolution R-1973-17 declaring the structure located at 311 2nd Ave, NE, Jacksonville, Alabama 36265, Tax Parcel #12-01-12-3-003-040.000, to be unsafe to the extent of being a public nuisance and ordering the structure be demolished. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

R-1974-17: DECLARING 13 A ST, SW, A PUBLIC NUISANCE – ORDERED

DEMOLISHED. A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to approve Resolution R-1974-17 declaring the structure located at 13 A Street, SW, Jacksonville, Alabama 36265, Tax Parcel #12-06-14-2-002-044.000, to be unsafe to the extent of being a public nuisance and ordering the structure be demolished. Clarification: 13 A Street, SW includes all structures on the property. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

R-1975-17: AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 238 – ADD STOP SIGNS AT 9TH AVE, NE, AND 11TH ST.

A motion was made by Council Member Harrell, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to approve Resolution R-1975-17 Amending Resolution No. 238 by adding stop signs on 9th Ave NE, at the intersection of 11th Street, NE and 9th Avenue, NE, per the attached map. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

R-1976-17: EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION FOR FAMILY HEALTHCARE INSURANCE COVERAGE.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to approve Resolution R-1976-17 establishing the employee contribution for family healthcare insurance coverage. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

FIRST READING: ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 20-56 & 20-57 OF CHAPTER 20 – TAXATION ARTICLE III.

First Reading of Ordinance amending Sections 20-56 and 20-57 of Chapter 20 – Taxation Article III. Lodgings Tax of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Made part of Minutes.

FIRST READING: ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 20-81 CHAPTER 20 – TAXATION ARTICLE IV.

First Reading of Ordinance amending Section 20-81 of Chapter 20 – Taxation Article III. Rental/Leasing Tax of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Made part of Minutes.

FIRST READING: ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-27 GASOLINE OF CHAPTER 7.

First Reading of Ordinance amending Section 7-27 Gasoline of Chapter 7 – Businesses of the Code of Ordinances of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Made part of Minutes.

FY18 GENERAL FUND BUDGET. A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to adopt the FY2018 General Fund Budget, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

FY18 WWG&SB BUDGET. A motion was made by Council Member Harrell, seconded by Council Member Taylor, to adopt the FY2018 Water Works, Gas and Sewer Board (WWG&SB) Budget, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

AGREEMENT: TEI LANDMARK AUDIO – ANNUAL AUDIOBOOK LEASE. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Taylor, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Annual Audiobook Lease Agreement, for the period of October 3, 2017 to October 2, 2018, with TEI Landmark Audio, for a total amount of \$9,990.00, per the attached agreement. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT: DEC FIRE & WATER RESTORATION. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Taylor, to authorize the Mayor to sign the DEC Fire & Water Restoration in the amount of \$6,998.31, per the attached agreement. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

FY2017 WWG&SB CHARGE-OFFS. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to approve the WWG&SB Charge-Offs for FY2017, in the amount of \$4,703.23 for the period January-June 2017 per the attached list. Attempts will still be made to collect the funds. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS. A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to approve the list of Volunteer Firefighters, per the attached list. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT. A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to approve the following employment:

- a. Dustin Brown, Equipment Operator II, Street Department, Range 11, effective September 27, 2017, due to the resignation of Michael Terry (Mr. Brown is currently employed as an Equipment Operator I-A).
- b. Chris Proper, Equipment Operator I-A, Street Department, Range 7, effective September 27, 2017, due to the promotion of Dustin Brown (Mr. Proper is currently employed as a Laborer).
- c. Justin Couch, Laborer, Range 1, Street Department, Range 1, effective September 27, 2017, due to the promotion of Chris Proper (Mr. Couch is currently a Temporary Laborer).

- d. Christopher Stephen Curvin, Police Officer, Range 15, effective upon compliance with Ordinance No. 273, due to the resignation of Daniel Tomlinson.
- e. Nicholas Arnold Harbison, Police Office, Range 15, effective upon compliance with Ordinance No. 273, due to the resignation of Jonathan Dickson.

Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

CONSOLIDATED ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS. Motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Harrell, to approve the following:

Purchases Over \$5,000.00.

- 1. FIRE
 - a. \$16,470.00 to Northeast Alabama Regional Communications System for annual radio user fees for the period 10/1/16 through 9/30/17.
- 2. POLICE
 - a. \$6,329.00 to Fleet Safety Equipment, Inc., for the purchase of installation of lights and siren equipment for Unit #32.
- 3. WWTP
 - a. \$11,549.00 to Navigation Electronics, Inc., for the purchase of GIS Network Equipment.

Disposition of Surplus Property.

- 1. PARD
 - a. Trash Dell Computer Tower, Decal Number 5335.
 - b. Trash Voco Pro Sound System, Decal Number 4330.
 - c. Trash Office Chair, Decal Number 3935.
 - d. Trash HP Printer, Decal Number 5340.
 - e. Trash Computer Monitor, Decal Number 5229.
 - f. Trash OKI Printer, Decal Number 5438.
 - g. Trash Dell Computer Tower, Decal Number 5233.
 - h. Trash Dell Computer Tower, Decal Number 5341.
 - i. Trash HP Desk Printer, Decal Number 4805.
 - j. Trash Samsung Copier, Decal Number 5893.
 - k. Sell on govdeals.com, 2008 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN 2FAFP71V28X144211, Decal Number 0581.
 - l. Trash 3-foot white round patio tables, Decal Numbers: 3921, 3922, 3923, 3924, 3926 & 4595.

Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. The Council President asked for comments. There were three.

<u>Name and address. Topic and statement.</u>
Bruce Edmiston, 1307 6 th Ave NE. Would like Council to consider other options with the Old Mill other than paying to tear it down and giving it away to an industry in the area it is.
Gail DeParma, 351 5 th Ave. Agrees with Mr. Edmiston and would like to know what interest investors have in it.

Johnny L. Smith, 501 Ashton Place. Clarified points regarding the Mill: no discussion has taken place to give it away but to do a possible property trade, time was the determining factor to have to pay to tear it down in the interest of jobs but with cost shared and half to be paid by an outside party. For the last 10 years, discussions with investors in Birmingham and Atlanta have taken place but nothing has happened. The industry is currently there at the Mill and would just be expanding.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS.

- Council President Sudduth Congratulates JHS and JSU on their wins. Recognized BOE member Marita Watson for being in attendance.

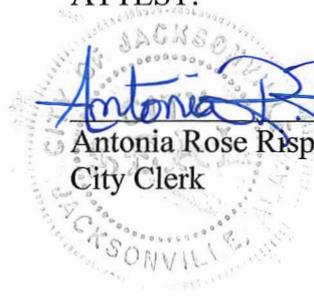
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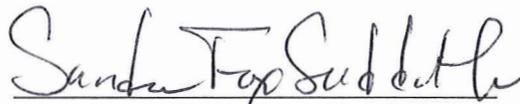
- Attended the ground breaking for new for JSU fitness and wellness center.
- Great attendance for JSU first home game of the season: 23,944.
- Thursday, September 28, 6:00 p.m. JHS Homecoming Parade, The Square.
- Friday, September 29, 7:00 p.m. JHS vs. Loachapoka Indians.
- Saturday, September 30, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Jacksonville Public Library Fall Book Sale.
- Saturday, October 7th, All Day (10 p.m. awards), JSU Marching Southerners Host Bands of America Regional Championship at JSU.
- Sunday, October 8th, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Historic Cemetery Stroll (Call: 256-435-6332 for more information).
- Saturday, October 21st, All Day (10 p.m. awards), JSU Marching Southerners Host JSU Contest of Champions at JSU.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was made by Council Member Harrell, seconded by Council Member Taylor, to adjourn. Upon vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

ATTEST:


Antonia Rose Rispoli Fanning
City Clerk




Sandra Fox Sudduth
Council President