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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0229 Amended

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 14, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: April 13, 2015

Type of Action: Ordinance Revision of Schedule A-2

Bill Summary: This bill approves the revision of Schedule A-2 of Ordinance 2014-466-E in order to transfer funds from Jacksonville Children's Commission (JCC) to another agency providing children's programs. All other aspects of Ordinance 2014-466-E remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Background Information: Section 10.1 requires the approval of City Council to transfer funds from one agency to another. The transfer allows the solicitation of competitive requests for proposals for child mental health services that will allow JCC to better align the services to meet the needs of children to develop a "proof of concept" hub for a Family Resource Center. The transfer covers program funding for 7/1/15 – 9/30/15.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Children's Commission, Intra-Governmental Affairs Department

Fiscal Impact: Transfer of \$425,673 through an RFP according to Schedule A-2 Revised

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-267

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Approval of economic incentive agreement; authorizing QTI grant match; authorizing REV grant; designating oversight agency; waiving Public Investment Policy provisions; requesting emergency 2-cycle approval.

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes execution of an economic development agreement between the City and Fanatics, Inc. to incentivize the hiring by the company of 80 new employees in Jacksonville and the investment of \$10 million in the renovation and expansion of the corporate offices and distribution facilities on Nation's Way and Southpointe Parkway. The bill commits the City to a QTI local match of 20% (\$600 per new job, up to a maximum of \$48,000 over 6 years) and authorizes a REV grant to the company in the amount of 50% of the incremental increase in county ad valorem taxes on the new facility up to a maximum of \$300,000 payable over 7 years. The bill waives the minimum score on the City's project evaluation matrix that would be required to award a REV grant equal to 50% of the tax increment for 7 years. It designates the Office of Economic Development as the oversight agency and requests 2-cycle emergency approval of the bill.

Background Information: Fanatics was founded in Jacksonville as an athletic apparel store and has grown into one of the county's largest on-line retailers of officially licensed sports apparel, collectibles and memorabilia and is one of the 50 largest e-retailers in the U.S. The company employs 1,500 workers (900 in Jacksonville) and plans to hire 80 new software technicians and web designers with its consolidation and expansion at an average wage of \$85,808.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development

Fiscal Impact: The bill commits the City to a QTI local match of 20% (\$600 per new job, up to a maximum of \$48,000 over 6 years) and authorizes a REV grant to the company in the amount of 50% of the incremental increase in county ad valorem taxes on the new facility up to a maximum of \$300,000.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-268

Sponsor: Council Member Jones:

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: May 1, 2015

Type of Action: Ordinance Amendment

Bill Summary: This ordinance regards Chapter 5 (Organization of Boards and Commissions); Amending Part 1 (Organization), Chapter 50 (Organization of Boards and Commissions) *Ordinance Code*, to provide for technical changes to Chapter 50, Part 1 and to create a new Section 50.109 (Ethics Training), *Ordinance Code*, requiring board and commission members to attend ethics training.

Background Information: This recommendation was also a recommendation from the City Council's Task on Consolidated Government. The Ethics Commission has offered to provide ethics training for board and commission members on a routine basis so new members can be trained within six months of confirmation. The Florida Legislature enacted legislation that requires State of Florida elected officials receive ethics training. City Council Members and Council staff are provided periodic ethics training.

Policy Impact: Ordinance Code/Boards and Commissions/Ethics

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-269

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F; RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: May 1, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; Transfer Authorization

Bill Summary: The ordinance regards the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority (JHFA); it appropriates \$1,400,000 of accumulated fund balance; the ordinance authorizes a transfer to the JHFA Loan Fund.

Background Information: At the JHFA Board meeting on March 23, 2015, Laura Stagner indicated that there were more funds in the operating reserve than required by Board policy; she indicated that there was \$1.4 million available for transfer and in order to make the transfer, legislation was required. This appropriation will create additional loan origination capacity for the creation of affordable housing within Duval County.

Policy Impact: Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority/Affordable Housing

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$1,400,000.00.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0270

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates a total of \$833,534.81 from the Nuisance Abatement Special Lien Revenue Fund to transfer \$408,432.06 to Municipal Code Compliance Division and \$425,102.75 to Mowing & Landscape Maintenance Division; and provides carryover of funds to FY 2015-2016.

Background Information: The Nuisance Abatement Lien Special Revenue Fund, which previously supplemented general revenue funding for nuisance abatement contractual services, now serves as the primary funding source to support contractual services. Municipal Code Compliance will utilize the funds for nuisance abatement contracting to remove property code violations city-wide in compliance with Chapter 518, *Ordinance Code*. Mowing & Landscape Maintenance Division will utilize the funds for mowing and tree removal services.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department

Fiscal Impact: The appropriation of \$833,534.81 as initiated by B.T. 15-056

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0271

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Carter

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$78,590 from the Old Kings Road Landfill Mitigation Fund to provide the Marietta Athletic Association with funds for improvements to Marietta Park – Bulls Bay Ball fields; provides oversight by the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department and disbursement of funds upon invoices and accounting/reverter of any unspent funds; provides carryover of funds to FY 2015-2016; and invokes the exception of 126.107(G) (Exemptions), Part 1 (General Regulations), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), *Ordinance Code*, for the professional services of K&J Lawn Care, LLC.

Background Information: The project at Marietta Park – Bulls Bay Ball fields will include:

- One (1) scoreboard (\$12,190)
- Two (2) benches and one (1) trash can receptacle (\$2,340)
- Removal of five (5) trees (\$1,650)
- Parking lot/driveway installation (\$32,730)
- Pitching mounds installation at two (2) fields (\$1,880)
- Fence work and installation throughout both fields (\$26,400)
- Two (2) Roll up doors (\$1,400)

The exception allows for the exemption from competitive solicitation because the supplies and services are to be provided by those specifically prescribed within the legislation.

Policy Impact Area: Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department

Fiscal Impact: The appropriation of \$78,590 from Solid Waste Class III Mitigation (JXSF446Er-38902) to Marietta Athletic Association Improvements (TBD).

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-272

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; carry-over authorization; CIP amendment; authorizing execution of various agreements

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates a Florida Department of Transportation grant of \$1,200,000 for the Artist Walk Extension project and the College Street Improvement project and reallocates \$1,000,000 of City funding from previously appropriated for the Artist Walk Extension project to a new Main Street Bridge/Northbank Riverwalk improvement project consisting of a new restroom/storage building. Carry-over of the grant funds to future fiscal years is authorized. The 2015-19 CIP is amended to reflect the new project amounts and funding sources. The bill authorizes the execution of a Construction and Maintenance Agreement Addendum and Supplemental Agreements #1 and #2 with the FDOT to address changes in project scope and funding sources for the Artist Walk and College Street Improvement projects.

Background Information: The City has previously appropriated approximately \$4 million to the Artist Walk Extension project – an extension of the Northbank Riverwalk from the Riverside Arts Market location under the Fuller Warren Bridge to Riverside Park in Five Points. The FDOT has agreed to provide the City with a grant of \$1 million for the Artist Walk Extension project, allowing the City to shift \$1 million of City funds previously allocated for that project to the construction of a new restroom and storage facility on the Northbank Riverwalk near the Main Street Bridge. The FDOT grant also provides \$200,000 for landscaping/hardscaping improvements at the intersection of College Street and I-95. Additionally, the FDOT has also agreed to undertake improvements to its property in the area of the Artist Walk Extension in the amount of \$341,000 that will reduce the City's budget for the project by that amount.

Policy Impact Area: Capital improvement funding

Fiscal Impact: The FDOT is providing a grant of \$1.2 million and assuming costs of \$341,000 previously budgeted by the City for the Artist Walk Extension project, allowing the City to divert \$1 million of City funds from that project to construction of a new capital facility on the Northbank Riverwalk.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-273

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F; R; RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: May 1, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; Request for Emergency Passage

Bill Summary: This ordinance concerns a continuation grant. The ordinance appropriates \$45,000 in miscellaneous revenues related to expired U.S. HUD programs to the Emergency Services Homeless Coalition to provide additional operating funding for the Jacksonville Homeless Day Center that will enable it to stay open through the end of the current fiscal year, as initiated by B.t. 15-070; it provides for a carryover of funds to Fiscal Year 2015-2016; *a one-cycle emergency passage is requested.*

Background Information: The Jacksonville Homeless Day Center is housed in an adjoining facility provided by the City Rescue Mission on State Street in downtown Jacksonville. The center provides the homeless with meals, the capacity shower and to do laundry and to access computers for job searches and resume preparation. *The nature of the emergency requested is that funds are required to allow the Homeless Day Center to remain open for the remainder of the fiscal year.*

Policy Impact: Homeless services

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$45,000 in federal funds, with no City match.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-274

Sponsor: Council Member Lee:

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F; RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: May 1, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; CIP Amendment

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$205,000.00 (\$35,456.00 from Old Jones Road Landfill Collections and \$169,544.00 from Cisco Gardens Improvements) to provide funding for improvements at Cisco Gardens Park, located at 4238 Jones Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32219; it provides for carryover from fiscal year to fiscal year; the ordinance amends the 2015-2019 Capital Improvement Program, approved by Ordinance 2014-467-E, to increase funding for the project entitled "Cisco Gardens Park Renovations"; it appoints the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department to oversee the project.

Background Information: This renovations project site is located in Council District 9. The renovations to the park include design, building/pavilion renovation, fencing, parking lot renovations, baseball field expansion, safety netting and other recreational amenities. Any unused funds shall revert to the account of origin.

Policy Impact: Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$205,000.00.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-275

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Boyer, Anderson, Love, Crescimbeni, Gulliford and Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill re-appropriates \$1,450,000 back to the Downtown Historic Preservation and Revitalization Trust Fund from two abandoned projects and allocates \$2,321,350 in investment pool earnings on trust fund assets into the trust fund.

Background Information: During the course of its work the Special CIP Committee was informed of several grants made from City funds for projects that never materialized, but which remain on the books. In 2007 the City made a grant from the Downtown Historic Preservation and Revitalization Trust Fund to developer Cameron Kuhn as part of an economic development agreement to revitalize the Laura Street Trio buildings at the corner of Laura and Adams Street. Mr. Kuhn filed for bankruptcy several years later and the project was abandoned. In 2004 the City made a grant of \$400,000 from the trust fund to the Kimmik Corporation as part of an economic development agreement to revitalize the former Lerner Building at 20 West Adams Street; that project was begun but never completed and did not qualify for payment of the incentive. This bill recognizes the abandonment of those two projects and redirects the incentive allocations from the project accounts back into the Trust Fund for future allocation. The bill also captures the interest earnings on the assets of the Trust Fund and deposits them into the fund for future allocation.

Policy Impact Area: Downtown Historic Preservation and Revitalization Trust Fund

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$3,787,435.55 into the Trust Fund.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-276

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Boyer, Anderson, Love, Crescimbeni, Gulliford and Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Closing out completed capital projects; reallocating budget authorization; CIP amendment; acknowledging no need for Ordinance Code waiver

Bill Summary: The bill closes out 206 completed council district capital projects and returns \$8,513,614.56 in cash and budgetary authorization to the respective accounts of origin. It amends the 2015-19 CIP to reflect the project closures and the reallocation of remaining cash and budgetary authorization to the source accounts. The bill acknowledges that no waiver is required of the Ordinance Code section that requires council member approval before any council district bond project is declared closed out by the Public Works Director since these projects are being closed out by the Council.

Background Information: During the course of its work the Special CIP Committee identified hundreds of capital projects that had been completed or abandoned that were still shown on the books as active projects. This bill closes out 206 council district bond projects, all of which have been reviewed and approved for closure by the district council members. Any remaining cash or budgetary authority remaining in the project accounts is being returned to the source of origin (i.e. Autumn bond fund, Loblolly mitigation fund, etc.).

Policy Impact Area: Capital project close-out

Fiscal Impact: The bill returns \$8,513,614.56 in cash and budgetary authorization to the respective accounts of origin.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-284

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Clark

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Approving amended campus development agreement; Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill approves a first amendment to the Campus Development Agreement between the City and the University of North Florida to extend the agreement by 18 months and to repurpose the fair share specific project special revenue fund for that development agreement. The bill amends Ordinance Code Section 111.535 – Fair Share Specific Projects Special Revenue Fund – to create a new Sec. 111.535(13) - UNF Campus Development Agreement (CCAS/CRC #45686).

Background Information: The City and the UNF Board of Trustees entered into a Campus Development Agreement in 2006 based on a campus master plan that covered the period 2005 – 2015. In 2011 UNF adopted a campus master plan that extends from 2010 through 2020, at which time a new campus development agreement should have been executed between the parties but was not. UNF is currently working on an updated 2015-2025 master plan and has requested that the 2005-2015 campus development agreement be extended by 18 months to December 31, 2016 to allow the completion of that new plan, at which time an updated development agreement will be executed with the City.

The 2006 agreement identified a fair share cost to UNF to improve transportation deficiencies in the area of the campus of \$3,050,940, which UNF paid to the City for a fair share specific project to widen First Coast Technology Parkway and to make improvements to Kernan Boulevard adjacent to the campus. For reasons unknown, a fair share specific project trust fund was not codified at the time that UNF made its contribution, although the funds are segregated in an accounting subfund and are readily identifiable. This bill creates a UNF Campus Development Agreement fair share specific project fund for the UNF funds. Since the First Coast Technology Parkway was designed but never implemented, it is declared to be the intent that the UNF fair share funds will be utilized for a roadway improvement project identified by the 2015-2015 master plan process.

Policy Impact Area: Campus development agreement; fair share project specific funding

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-285

Sponsor: The Land Use and Zoning Committee:

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: May 1, 2015

Type of Action: Approval of Development Agreement First Amendment

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves a First Amendment to the Development Agreement between the City of Jacksonville and New Horizon Place, Inc., to extend the duration of the Development Agreement to April 8, 2018, concerning Development (CCAS No. 70917) known as "New Horizon Place," consisting of approximately 8.487± acres located in Council District 13, on the northeast corner of Philips Highway (US-1) and Philips Industrial Boulevard (R.E. No. 168070-0000), as more particularly described therein, for 78,000 square feet of general office uses and 180,000 square feet of warehouse uses, subject to a performance schedule and the payment of an annual renewal fee for the purpose of reserving traffic circulation capacity, pursuant to Part 2, Chapter 655, *Ordinance Code*.

Background Information: Part, Chapter 655, *Ordinance Code*, authorizes Development Agreements. The Planning and Development Department has recommended approval of the First Agreement to the Development Agreement between the City of Jacksonville and New Horizon Place, Inc. Since the adoption of the Development Agreement, the sale and development of the property has been adversely affected by a worldwide and lengthy recession and by protracted legal proceedings regarding the title to a substantial portion of the property and making it extremely difficult to market the property. Due to the legal delays and the market conditions, the owners are requesting a three (3) year extension of the Development Agreement until April 8, 2018.

Policy Impact: Planning & Development Department

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0286

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Authorization

Bill Summary: This bill authorizes the application for the Section 108 loan through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program not to exceed \$6,000,000; and provides oversight by the Planning and Development Department.

Background Information: The loan will be used to study, design, and construct an infrastructure project on Helena Street, in District 8, in Northwest Jacksonville. The area will be evaluated for expansion of sewage infrastructure. Expansion of JEA infrastructure in the area will enable the removal of septic tanks and improve water quality in neighboring water bodies. The annual debt service payments will be made from future CDBG program allocations. There will be twenty (20) semiannual payments at \$350,364.86 ending August 1, 2025.

Policy Impact Area: Planning and Development Department

Fiscal Impact: The loan plus interest will total \$7,007,297.20.

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0287

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Approval of revisions

Bill Summary: This bill approves the revisions to Schedule A-2 (Schedule of Funding to Agencies for Children's Programs and Other (08201) Funding), approved by Ordinance 2014-466-E with all other aspects unchanged and in full force and effect.

Background Information: The revisions reflect restructuring of the Healthy Families Jacksonville Program. As required by Section 10.1 of the Budget Ordinance, the Jacksonville Children's Commission (JCC) is not permitted to transfer funds from one agency providing children's programs to another such agency without City Council approval.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Children Commission

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-288

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F; RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: May 1, 2015

Type of Action: Employee Cap Increase Approval & Authorization

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves and authorizes an increase in the employee cap of the Environmental Quality Division of one (1) position through the deletion of the Environmental Enforcement Administrator position and the creation of two (2) Environmental Quality Technician positions, as initiated by R.C. 15-135.

Background Information: The Environmental Enforcement Administrator position became vacant as of February 6, 2015. The Environmental Quality Division will undergo reorganization with the Water Quality Branch which will result in increased efficiencies and effectiveness within EQD. The establishment of two Environmental Quality Technician positions will increase EQD's ability to perform water quality sampling, track causes of bacterial hits within the tributaries; perform additional proactive lift station inspections which will result in a decrease in the number of potential lift station malfunctions that contribute to elevated bacteria in the tributaries; perform increased stormwater inspections with respect to erosion and sediment control and High Priority Industries that could discharge to the Duval County MS4 Stormwater System.

Policy Impact: Regulatory Compliance Department/Environmental Quality Division/Erosion and Sediment Control

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0289

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Approval and Authorization

Bill Summary: This bill approves a drainage easement in Baldwin between U.S. 301 and Rails to Trails, in Council District 11, to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT); and authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, and the Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the City, a subordination agreement and all other documents necessary to appropriate to subordinate the drainage easement to FDOT.

Background Information: The subordination is for a portion of Parcel 811.2 as recorded in Official Record Books 4721, Page 1082, dated September 18, 1879 (RE #000052 0070) to allow FDOT to construct a bypass around the City of Baldwin. FDOT will maintain this portion of the easement. The underlying property containing the easement will be purchased by FDOT for the bypass project.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0290

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Approval of closure and abandonment of right-of-way

Bill Summary: This bill approves the closure and abandonment of a fifty foot wide unopened and unimproved right-of-way located near the intersection of Akra Avenue and Gillen Street, in Council District 9.

Background Information: The applicant is Evangel Temple, owner of the property on both sides of the right-of-way. The closure will allow the applicant to consolidate its adjacent properties and construct a building on the site. The portion of the right-of-way was established in First Addition to Buenos Aires, Plat Book 12, Page 45, dated June 25, 1926. The applicant has paid the closure application processing fee. There are no objections from any parties which may have interests in right-of-way.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-291

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: May 1, 2015

Type of Action: Surplus Parcel Declaration; Disposition Authorization

Bill Summary: The ordinance declares Parcel R.E. #070700-0000, vacant lot located near the intersection of 1st Street West and Pearl Street North in Council District 7, to be surplus to the needs of the City; it authorizes disposition of the Subject Parcel pursuant to the provisions of Section 122.422 (Sale of Property Through Real Estate Division; Investigation of Need; Council Action), Subpart B (Real Property Dispositions), Part 4 (Real Property) of Chapter 122 (Public Property), *Ordinance Code*.

Background Information: The Subject Parcel is a 9.46' x 234.96' vacant lot assessed at \$3,542.00. The Real Estate Division has conducted an investigation of need as required by Section 122.422, *Ordinance Code*. As a result of said investigation, the Real Estate Division has determined that no need exists for the Subject Parcel either for the City or any independent agency. The Subject Parcel will be disposed of pursuant to the provisions of Section 122.422. No further action by City Council is necessary.

Policy Impact: Real Estate Division/Public Works Department

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0292

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Approval of closure and abandonment of right-of-way

Bill Summary: This bill approves the closure and abandonment of a portion of the unopened and unimproved right-of-way of Fincastle Avenue between Panda Street and Slashes Street, in Council District 12.

Background Information: The applicant is James B. Goethe, owner of the property on both sides of the right-of-way. The closure will allow the applicant to consolidate his rural residential property. The portion of the right-of-way was established in Sunset Gardens, Plat Book 11, Page 1-2, dated October 29, 1925. The applicant has paid the closure application processing fee. There are no objections from any parties which may have interests in right-of-way; however, City of Jacksonville and JEA reserve rights over the closed portion of the right-of-way for ingress and egress and for all utilities.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0293

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Approval of closure and abandonment of right-of-way

Bill Summary: This bill approves the closure and abandonment of a portion of the unopened and unimproved right-of-way of Huron Street near its intersection with Beaver Street, in Council District 9.

Background Information: The applicant is Shaw's Tree Service, owner of the property on both sides of the right-of-way. The closure will allow the applicant to create a safer driveway and additional parking for business. The portion of the right-of-way was established in Woodstock Park, Plat Book 3, Page 83, dated June 17, 1910. The applicant has paid the closure application processing fee. There are no objections from any parties which may have interests in right-of-way; however, City of Jacksonville and JEA reserve rights over the closed portion of the right-of-way for ingress and egress and for all utilities.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-294

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Yarborough

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Amending prior ordinance; approving project cost changes

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance 2013-820-E which approved an extension of the local option gas tax and authorized execution of an Interlocal agreement between the City and the JTA by amending Exhibit 1 to that agreement – the project list. It also authorizes changes to the cost estimates of several of the listed projects as required by the interlocal agreement when revised cost estimates for projects differ from the original estimates by 20% or more.

- Move the San Pablo Road (Beach to Atlantic) and McDuff and 5th Street Phase III projects (ranked #13 and #14 respectively) up to #10 and #11, respectively, in the priority order to accelerate their construction as they are nearly ready to begin.
- Reduce the cost of the Parramore Road Extension project (#4) from \$5 million to \$2.7 million to recognize private developer contributions to the project and reorder it as #3.
- Move the Southside Boulevard/Atlantic Blvd. Intersection (#3) and Southside Boulevard/Tinseltown Intersections (#10) design projects “below the line” (to #16 and #17, respectively) and delay their construction until they are prioritized in the North Florida TPO plan and the FDOT 5-year work program.
- Revise the order of the two Collins Road projects to elevate the priority of #11 – Collins Road (Shindler to Westport) to #9 and extend its boundaries to Old Middleburg to Rampart, and to change #12 – Collins Road (Blanding to Pine Verde) to #15, moving it “below the line”.
- Reprioritize the Alta Drive project (currently #8), which does not have sufficient fair share funding to complete construction as the project is currently envisioned.

Background Information: In 2013 the City entered into an Interlocal agreement to transfer gas tax proceeds to the JTA to construct a list of specific road projects in priority order. The list contained 21 projects, of which the \$100.5 million in proceeds from a JTA bond backed by gas tax proceeds was expected to be able to complete 13 “above the line” projects and 14 mobility corridors in rank order. The agreement requires that projects be constructed in rank order with no deviation. As JTA has begun preliminary engineering and design work, it has determined that the costs of several of the projects will be more than 20% greater than the estimates listed on the 2013 project priority listing. JTA therefore requests Council approval to make the following changes:

Policy Impact Area: Local option gas tax project priority list

Fiscal Impact: The revised BJP project list totals \$165,150,000, an increase of \$23,900,000 over the original list total of \$141,250,000 approved in 2013.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-0295

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Jones

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 28, 2015

Type of Action: Resolution

Bill Summary: This bill urges the Mayor and Public Works Department, in cooperation with the District Council Member, to collaborate with the Northwest CPAC and Urban Core CPAC twice a year to update and provide a progress report of the respective drainage projects in each neighborhood, until each project is completed; and directs the Chief of Legislative Services to forward resolution to the Northwest CPAC and Urban Core CPAC.

Background Information: Citizens in these areas continue to encounter issues with lack of sidewalks, open ditches, flooded streets, and inadequate fire hydrants in a declining and aging population. The drainage systems and other infrastructure in the core City desperately require improvements. There has been very little new construction or rehabilitation of existing structures and no infrastructure development to the neighborhoods which has been previously promised, planned and designed for in the past years.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-296

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Southeast CPAC

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 24, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation with Prospective Effective Date

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Southeast District Citizens Planning Advisory Committee's appointment of Ralph C. Hodges to the Taxation, Revenue Utilization and Expenditures (TRUE) Commission, replacing Daniel Becton, for an unexpired term ending June 30, 2015, followed by a first full four-year term ending June 30, 2018. Mr. Hodges' appointment date is effective June 1st due to the May 31st resignation of Mr. Becton.

Background Information: The TRUE Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 57, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to act as an advisory body to the city concerning fiscal policy; improve the city's long-range financial soundness, planning budgeting, and management and to keep the public better informed about important issues related to city financing and budgeting; and may review any aspect of fiscal policy, including: the city's long-range financial soundness, planning budgeting, and management; the city's budgetary process, including taxation, revenue generation, expenditures, use of permit fees and user fees, bonding capacity, franchise fees, state and federal mandates, privatization, "zero based" financing and other similar topics; the appropriateness of each revenue source the city receives to make up its annual general revenue budget; potential new revenue sources, such as impact fees, and the use of any such funds; the pre- and post-retirement benefit structure for city employees and the potential impact on the financial status of the city; and other areas as the Commission may determine are appropriate and within their scope.

Section 57.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that six of the members of the commission shall be county residents interested in public finance issues and actively involved in the community, and be selected, one each by the CPAC's in the six Planning Districts, and shall be confirmed by the Council.

Mr. Hodges received a law degree from Western State College of Law and is retired from *The Parts House*, an auto parts wholesale distributor. He currently serves on the Jacksonville Waterways Commission and has previously served on the Southeast District Municipal Code Enforcement Board. Mr. Hodges resides in the Monclair area within Council District #5 (Planning District #3).

Policy Impact Area: TRUE Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-297

Sponsor: Council President Yarborough

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 24, 2015

Type of Action: Reappointment

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints Donnie L. Romine, Jr. to the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc., in the "provider" category, for a second two-year term ending September 30, 2016.

Background Information: The Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc. is established pursuant to Section 408.033, *Florida Statutes*, and authorized to develop a district health plan; advise the state department on health care issues and resource allocations; promote public awareness of community health needs; collect data and conduct analyses and studies related to health care needs of the district; advise and assist local governments on the development of an optional health plan; and monitor and evaluate the adequacy, appropriateness and effectiveness of funds distributed to meet the needs of the medically indigent. The bylaws of the Health Planning Council provide that the Board of Directors shall be made up of health care consumers, providers and purchasers.

Mr. Romine received a master's degree in business administration from the University of Texas and is the Chief Financial Officer of *St. Vincent's Healthcare* and President of *St. Vincent's Medical Center Riverside*. He resides in the Miramer area within Council District #5.

Attendance: According to information provided by the staff for the Health Planning Council, Mr. Romine has attended 74% or 14 of 19 meetings since his initial appointment in 2013.

Policy Impact Area: Health Planning Council of Northeast, Inc. operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-298

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 24, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Allison Korman Shelton as a member of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA), replacing Ava Parker, for a first full four-year term ending May 31, 2019.

Background Information: The JTA is established pursuant to Chapter 349, *Florida Statutes*, and charged to acquire, hold, construct, improve, maintain, operate, own, and lease the Jacksonville Expressway System; and the JTA may acquire, hold, construct, improve, operate, maintain, and lease a mass transit system; and plan, develop, finance, construct, own, lease, purchase, operate, maintain, relocate, equip, repair, and manage those public transportation projects, such as express bus services; bus rapid transit services; light rail, commuter rail, heavy rail, or other transit services; ferry services; transit stations; park-and-ride lots; transit-oriented development nodes; or feeder roads, reliever roads, connector roads, bypasses, or appurtenant facilities, that are intended to address critical transportation needs or concerns in the Jacksonville; in addition to the other powers and duties provided, JTA shall have the power and responsibility to formulate and implement a plan for a mass transit system that will serve Duval County and the greater Jacksonville area.

Pursuant to Sec. 349.03(2), *Florida Statutes*, three of the seven members of the board are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Jacksonville subject to confirmation by the Council of the City of Jacksonville.

Ms. Shelton received a bachelor's degree in political science / psychology from Florida State University and is a Vice President with *Stellar*, a design and construction business. She has previously served on the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, the Cultural Service Grant Committee, the Art in Public Places Committee and the Charter Revision Commission. Ms. Shelton resides in the Miramer area within Council District #5.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Transportation Authority Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-299

Sponsor: Council President Yarborough

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 24, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment with Prospective Effective Date

Bill Summary: This bill appoints L. Gregory (Greg) Tison to the Jacksonville International Airport (JIA) Area Redevelopment Agency Board, replacing Daniel A. Becton as the representative for School Board District #7, for an unexpired first term ending June 30, 2017. Mr. Tison's appointment date is effective June 1st due to the May 31st resignation of Mr. Becton.

Background Information: The JIA Area Redevelopment Agency Board is an advisory board to the Office of Economic Development. Per Ordinance 90-409-293, which created the board, the seven members are appointed by the Council, one each from the seven School Board districts.

Mr. Tison is the Farmers Market General Manager with *Beaver Street Fisheries*. He has previously served on the Soil and Water Conservation District Board. Mr. Tison resides in the Greenland area within Council District #5 (School Board District #7).

Policy Impact Area: JIA Area Redevelopment Agency Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-300

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 24, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Folks M. Huxford as Director of the Planning and Development Department.

Background Information: Section 30.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Director shall have a master's degree in public administration, urban planning or a related field or shall have ten year's professional and administrative experience in a managerial capacity, at least five of which shall be in an urban planning agency or organization.

Mr. Huxford received bachelor's degree in history from Valdosta State University and a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of North Florida. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville, within the Planning and Development Department, since 1987, working his way up from City Planner to City Planner Supervisor in 2004 and to Zoning Administrator in 2008, a position he held until his appointment as Chief of Current Planning in 2013. Mr. Huxford has served as the Acting Director of Planning and Development since February 27th. He resides in Duval County.

Policy Impact Area: Planning and Development Department operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Human Resources, the salary range for this position is \$101,751 to \$166,125 annually.

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-303

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Boyer, Anderson, Love, Crescimbeni, Gulliford and Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriations

Bill Summary: The bill transfers \$1,729,565.59 in residual funding and budgetary authority for 9 completed or abandoned downtown projects to the Downtown Investment Authority's budget to transfer budgetary authority for 6 area-specific projects (totaling \$983,685.86) to the DIA and to reallocate \$745,879.73 of JEDC funding from 3 accounts to the DIA's Downtown Economic Development Fund for future use.

Background Information: The bill transfers authority for 4 Public Works projects (Bay Street Town Center phases 1 and 2, Urban Core Retail and Housing Development, and LaVilla redevelopment) and 2 Public Works Department projects (Treaty Oak Park master plan and Treaty Oak Park improvements) to the Downtown Investment Authority and appropriates the funding from 3 projects (LaVilla Redevelopment II, Countywide Economic Development II, and Countywide Hardscaping) into the DIA's Downtown Economic Development Fund for future reallocation.

Policy Impact Area: Capital project funding authority

Fiscal Impact: The bill transfers \$1,729,565.59 in residual funding and budgetary authority from multiple projects into the DIA's budget.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-304

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Gulliford

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendments; City Charter amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 121 – Police and Fire Pension Plan – and City Charter Article 22 – Jacksonville Police and Fire Pension Board of Trustees – to make the same changes to PFPF benefits as were proposed in previous Ordinance 2015-54, while making several changes from that proposal regarding the effective date of the changes and the funding mechanism for paying down the unfunded accrued actuarial liability (UAAL) at an accelerated rate. The effective date of the revised benefits is the date on which both parties agree to and sign the 2015 Retirement Reform Agreement, which is not dependent upon designation of a funding source for City payments to accelerate pay-down of the UAAL. The bill creates a UAAL accelerated reduction mechanism by which the PFPF agrees to annually match City employer contributions in excess of the City's normal contribution on a dollar-for-dollar basis up to a maximum required match of \$20 million per year for up to 10 years or until the PFPF reaches a funding status of 80%, using proceeds from its Enhanced Benefits Account and the City Budget Stabilization Account. The Ordinance Code amendment provides that the City Council will, for a period of 7 years, waive its right to unilaterally impose a change in benefits on Group 1 (current) employees at the end of a collective bargaining impasse process.

Background Information: The sponsor offers the bill as an alternative pension reform proposal that makes the changes in pension benefits to which all parties have agreed, while omitting the mandatory UAAL accelerated pay-down mechanism that was problematic for some members in Ordinance 2015-54 and while setting the time period for the City Council to voluntarily waive its right to unilaterally impose a change in benefits on current employees at 7 years, a compromise between the 10 years originally negotiated between the administration and the PFPF board and the 0 years preferred by some council members.

Policy Impact Area: Pension reform

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-305

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Boyer, Anderson, Love, Crescimbeni, Gulliford and Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; reduction of Banking Fund borrowing authorization; capital project closure

Bill Summary: The bill amends the City's 5-Year Road Program to close out 2 completed projects and reallocate a total of \$4,442,312 from lower to higher priority projects within the overall program for FY14-15.

Background Information: The bill closes out the completed Gate Parkway West project (\$962,053.92) and the Brick Streets – Rehab and Reconstruction project (\$211,102.47) and transfers \$1,173,156.39 in remaining balance from those two projects plus \$339,810.68 in excess budgetary authority from the Countywide Accessway Program to increase funding to the Public Works Department's Roadway Resurfacing account (\$962,053.92), the Roadway Sign, Stripe and Signal account (\$300,000), and the Sidewalk and Curb Construction and Repair account (\$250,913.15). The bill also transfers \$1.9 million from the Periodic Maintenance account to 3 bridge projects (Moncrief-Dinsmore Road bridge replacement - \$1.1 million; Lakeside Drive bridge replacement - \$700,000, and Old Kings Road bridge replacement design - \$100,000). It transfers \$1,029,345 from the Roadway Safety Project to Traffic Street Lights (\$150,000), Traffic Calming Construction (\$102,000), Sidewalk/Curb Repair (\$577,245) and Sidewalk/Curb New Construction (\$200,000). Finally, the bill permits the Roadway Widening and Paving account to be utilized for roadway resurfacing. The bill amends the 2015-19 CIP to reflect the project closures and the revised budgetary amounts for the listed projects.

Policy Impact Area: During the course of its work the Special CIP Committee worked with the Public Works Department to identify completed or unneeded project accounts from which resources could be reallocated and developed a reprioritization of funds within the Public Works Department's FY14-15 budget to direct the maximum available funding to the highest need projects.

Fiscal Impact: The bill reallocates a total of \$4,442,312 from closed out projects and from lower to higher priority projects within the Public Works budget.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-307

Sponsor: Council President Yarborough:

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F; RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: May 1, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; CIP Amendment

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$105,695 from Neighborhood Enhancement Trust Fund, Section 111.925, *Ordinance Code*, to provide funding for reconstruction of athletic fields at Ed Austin Regional Park, located at 11751 McCormick Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32225; provides a carryover of funds into subsequent fiscal years; provides for oversight by the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department; amends the 2015-2019 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program, approved by Ordinance 2014-467-E, to increase funding for the project entitled "Ed Austin Regional Park."

Background Information: Components of the reconstruction of Ed Austin Regional Park include: installing a new irrigation pump; sprigging and field reconditioning; and installing new Bermuda sod for soccer playing areas.

Policy Impact: Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$105,695.00

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-308

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Boyer, Anderson, Love, Crescimbeni, Gulliford and Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: April 30, 2015

Type of Action: Authorization to perform financial accounting reconciliations; appropriation; reduction in Banking Fund borrowing authorization

Bill Summary: The bill de-authorizes \$1,581,262 in Banking Fund authorized borrowing and makes budget clean-up adjustments to several dozen subfunds and project accounts to rectify years of accounting errors in the posting of budgets to appropriate accounts due to changing accounting practices, confusion among similarly named project accounts, changes in project scopes, etc.

Background Information: During the course of its work the Special CIP Committee learned that many accounting errors, large and small, have accumulated on the City's books over the course of many years, sometimes making it difficult to reconcile budgetary amounts between authorizing legislation and the City's accounting system. After a very considerable work effort by the Finance Department and the Council Auditor's Office, a large number of accounts needing reconciliations of various kinds were identified. The authorized transactions approved by this bill range from as little as a \$0.04 cleanup to allocate a few cents of interest earnings on a project account to \$454,930,502, which authorizes the consolidation of two local option gas tax accounts (\$276,898,205 and \$178,032,297) into a single account to more clearly reflect that with the adoption of the Better Jacksonville Plan and the execution of an Interlocal agreement between the City and the JTA for JTA mass transit operations, all local option gas tax funds are now being transmitted to the JTA for that purpose.

Policy Impact Area: Accounting reconciliations

Fiscal Impact: The bill de-authorizes \$1,581,262 in Banking Fund authorized borrowing and authorizes numerous accounting clean-up transactions that have no net effect financial effect but clean up discrepancies and errors in the accounting system.

Analyst: Clements