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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-520

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

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Authorizing execution of parking license and sublicense agreements; approving downtown parking grant; waiver of Public Investment Policy

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the execution of a parking agreement between the City and the Jacksonville Transportation Authority and a parking sublicense agreement between the City and C2C Solutions, Inc. to facilitate the company's relocation to downtown by providing for discounted parking spaces for company employees in JTA-owned lots near the Prime Osborn Convention Center for a period of 2 years. The bill authorizes a parking grant of \$48,000 to be appropriated from the Office of Economic Development's professional services budget line item and designates the OED as the City's oversight agency for the project. The bill waives the City's Public Investment Policy to permit the use of this appropriation and parking incentive which are not described as options in the policy.

Background Information: C2C Solutions, Inc., headquartered in Jacksonville, provides health care support and administrative services in the processing of appeals and billing disputes between health insurance companies and health care recipients and providers. The company proposes to consolidate its 200 existing employees from several locations around the city into the EverBank Tower downtown, leasing 30,000 square feet of space for 4 years and investing \$1.2 million into leasehold improvements. The OED desires to incentivize the company's move to downtown by subsidizing parking costs for the company for 2 years. The City will reserve a block of up to 300 parking spaces in the JTA's Convention Center parking lots and up to 350 parking placards to be utilized by C2C for their employees, of which C2C commits to utilize at least 100 spaces in year 1 and at least 200 spaces in year 2 of the agreement. JTA will provide the spaces to the City at a 50% discount from its normal parking rates and will allow C2C parkers free use of the Skyway if, at some point in the future, the JTA resumes charging a fare for its use. The OED will subsidize C2C's parking costs for the first 2 years of the 4-year parking space sublicense agreement by allocating up to \$48,000 from its professional services budget account to pay the JTA for the parking spaces.

Policy Impact Area: Downtown redevelopment

Fiscal Impact: The OED will allocate 48,000 from its professional services budget account to pay the JTA for the parking spaces, which the JTA will discount by 50% from its normal parking rates for the first 2 years.

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-521

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

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Economic development agreement; authorization of REV grant; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the execution of an economic redevelopment agreement between the City and Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc. for expansion of the company's manufacturing facility in the city in return for financial incentives. The bill authorizes a Recapture Enhanced Value (REV) grant of \$6.9 million to the project and designates the Office of Economic Development as the City's oversight agency for the project. The bill declares that the proposed incentive conforms to the City's Public Investment Policy and provides for automatic revocation of the agreement if the company does not execute the documents within 90 days of their transmittal by the City.

Background Information: Johnson & Johnson Vision Care (Vistakon) employs nearly 1,900 in Jacksonville researching, developing and producing contact lenses. The company proposes to renovate 15,000 square feet within its existing 765,401 square feet of space on the Southside and to add an additional 20,000 square feet of new manufacturing space to add 5 new production lines and to upgrade two more lines at an overall capital investment of approximately \$218 million. One hundred new jobs will be created at an average wage of \$65,000 per year plus \$48,000 in benefits. The City commits to provide a REV grant equivalent to 50% of the new incremental property taxes generated by the expansion and improvements, up to \$6.9 million.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development

Fiscal Impact: The City commits to a REV grant of up to \$6.9 million payable over 10 years after the improvements are placed on the tax roll.

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

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference:

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Economic development agreement; authorization of QTI incentive; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill approves the execution of an economic development agreement between the City and Exquisite Import/Export Trading Company, Inc. (d/b/a ETC Logistics USA and Talford-Guyana Agro Industries, Inc.) for the company's relocation to Jacksonville and commits the City to provide a QTI grant match in the amount of up to \$45,000 payable over 6 years. The Office of Economic Development is designated as the City's oversight agency for the project.

Background Information: Exquisite proposes to relocate its U.S. headquarters and warehouse/distribution center for palm oil products from the Charlotte area to Jacksonville, purchasing a 286,000 square foot warehouse and manufacturing building on 36.77 acres on Dames Point Road. Capital investment in the facility is estimated at \$39.1 million along with the creation of 75 full-time jobs at an average wage of \$47,581 plus benefits worth \$4,000. The City proposes to provide a QTI grant in the amount of up to \$45,000 (\$600 per job as the local match to the State's 80% grant of \$180,000) over 6 years from 2015 through 2020. The state will also provide a transportation grant of up to \$200,000 to assist in the development of a rail spur to the facility.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development

Fiscal Impact: The City commits to a QTI grant match of up to \$45,000 payable over 6 years.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-523

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 106 – Budget and Accounting Code – to reduce the Mayor’s administrative fund transfer authority from \$500,000 to \$100,000 into or out of any agency, non-department or departmental existing object line for a specific purpose, project or issue without City Council approval.

Background Information: This section regarding the Mayor’s transfer authority has been amended several times in recent years. Ordinance 2006-830-E clarified an inconsistency between the City Charter and the Ordinance Code and reduced the Mayor’s transfer authority from \$750,000 to \$500,000. Ordinance 2012-501-E clarified that the transfer authority is calculated on an annual basis for existing object line items. It originally proposed to reduce the transfer authority from \$500,000 to \$50,000, but the reduction was amended out in committee. Ordinance 2012-704-E changed the reference from “annually” to “within a fiscal year” and added a clarification that the limitation applied to transfers “for a specific purpose, project or issue...”

Policy Impact Area: Mayoral budgetary transfer authority

Fiscal Impact: The bill would reduce the Mayor’s ability to administratively transfer funds for specific projects or purposes from \$500,000 to \$100,000 per fiscal year.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-524

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R; TEU; PHS; F

Date of Analysis: August 16, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; Memorandum of Agreement Authorization; Emergency Action Request

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$250,000 in 2009 Port Security Grant Program funding from the Department of Homeland Security to be used for land-based marine training and the purchase of equipment needed for the newly-acquired Port Security Disaster Operations Center, as initiated by B.T. 13-083; approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute on behalf of the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department the Memorandum of Agreement between the Jacksonville Marine Transportation Exchange and the City of Jacksonville. *Requesting emergency action upon introduction.*

Background Information: The purpose of the appropriation is to provide funding to be used for the land-based marine training and the purchase of equipment needed for the newly-acquired Port Security Disaster Operations Center. *The nature of the emergency is that the grant is time sensitive, expiring on November 30, 2013, and time is needed to teach the classes approved by the federal grant.*

Policy Impact: Jacksonville Fire and Rescue/Emergency Preparedness Division

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$250,000 in a Homeland Security Department grant.

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Sponsor: Council Member Schellenberg:

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: August 16, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$23,800 from the Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund to plant 56 trees on City property located between Caron Drive and Julington Creek Road (R.E. No. 157673-0000), in Council District 6; provides for the Public Works Department to oversee the project; Procurement Directive utilizing the continuing contract of Davey Tree Service.

Background Information: Funds appropriated in this ordinance would enable the planting of 16 Crepe Myrtle trees (@ \$375 each; 20 Over cup Oak @ \$440 each; and 20 Magnolia @ \$450 each. Currently, this City-owned property is unkempt and littered with debris. The trees would beautify the area.

Policy Impact: Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund Account

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$23,800

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-526

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

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Amendment to prior budget ordinance

Bill Summary: The budget amends Ordinance 2011-405-E (the FY11-12 budget ordinance) to revise Schedules O, P, Q and R to the Jacksonville Transportation Authority's budget to reflect actual amounts for the fiscal year following close-out of the budget year.

Background Information: The bill amends the FY11-12 budget to increase the JTA's bus operations budget from \$75.36 million to \$78.46 million; to increase the Skyway operating budget from \$5.08 million to \$6.32 million; to increase the paratransit budget from \$13.39 million to \$14.15 million; to decrease the Engineering Division budget from \$70.19 million to \$65.92 million; to decrease the bus system capital budget from \$10.11 million to \$9.95 million; to decrease the Skyway capital budget from \$680,000 to \$590,669; and to decrease the paratransit budget from \$1.29 million to \$1.26 million.

Policy Impact Area: Budget ordinance reconciliation

Fiscal Impact: Amends the FY11-12 budget to reflect actual experience, increasing the operating budget slightly and decreasing the capital budget slightly.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-527

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

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Approval of creation of new voting precincts; approval of relocated polling place

Bill Summary: The bill approves the Supervisor of Elections' creation of two new voting precincts (one in District 3, one in District 11) and the relocation of an existing polling location in District 11.

Background Information: The bill creates two new precincts due to population growth: 315 voting at Lighthouse Church of the Nazarene at 1249 Girvin Road, and 1115 voting at Mission Way Church, 14985 Old St. Augustine Road. The bill also moves the polling place for Precinct 1110 from the Hampton Inn & Suites hotel at 13950 Village Lake Circle to the Courtyard by Marriott at 14402 Old St. Augustine Road. The Hampton Inn no longer wishes to be a polling location. The City Council, acting in the capacity of a county commission, is required by the Ordinance Code to approve precinct and voting location changes.

Policy Impact Area: Election operations

Fiscal Impact: The Supervisor of Elections reports that the cost to staff a precinct is approximately \$1310 per election.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-528

Sponsor: Council President pursuant to Chapter 380, *Ordinance Code*:

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: August 16, 2013

Type of Action: Granting CON

Bill Summary: The ordinance grants the application of Florida Woodchucks, A Recycling Center, Inc., for an initial Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CON) for the Florida Woodchucks, A Recycling Center, Inc. Yard Trash Processing Facility.

Background Information: The Solid Waste Division of the Department of Public Works supports approval of the application for an initial CON for Florida Woodchucks, provided Florida Woodchucks agrees to accept and comply with Specific Operating Conditions. The facility is located at 5631 West Beaver Street, Jacksonville 32254, Council District 9. The Specific Operating Conditions include: personnel training, the posting of trained spotters at the tipping area during all hours of operation to ensure that only yard waste and clean wood are accepted at the facility and that unacceptable waste such as hazardous materials are barred; the facility shall submit monthly Waste Analysis reports to the Solid Waste Division; agrees to hold the City harmless from any liability related to work performed at the facility; the facility shall obtain an air pollution construction permit; potable water for the facility is to be supplied by JEA; the facility must comply with the City's Noise Pollution Control; the facility is responsible for removing litter within 100 yards of its entrance; the facility shall not cause or contribute to an objectionable odor.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Solid Waste Division

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-529

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU; RCD

Date of Analysis: August 16, 2013

Type of Action: Conservation Easement Authorization and Approval

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute, for and on behalf of the City, a conservation easement granting a conservation easement to the St. Johns River Water Management District ("SJRWMD") as a condition of Permit #40-031-87430-5, issued to the City by SJRWMD as a means to mitigate the impacts within the saltwater wetlands that will be used in the construction of Segment 3 of the Timucuan Multi-Use Trail System.

Background Information: The placement of the subject Conservation Easement is over a 7.42-acre portion of the City-owned "Beasley Tract," which is a condition of the SJRWMD permit, as a means to mitigate the construction impacts within the saltwater wetlands. The Timucuan Trail State and National Parks are a partnership formed in 1999 between the National Parks Service, the Florida Park Service and City of Jacksonville. The partnership now includes the Nature Conservancy and manages approximately 84,000 acres of unspoiled natural Florida, helping to create one of the largest urban park systems in the nation. The Timucuan Trail-Talbot Island site is located in Council District 11.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Real Estate

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-530

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Carter and Daniels

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Authorizing joinder to Interlocal agreement; approving issuance of educational facilities revenue bonds; requesting 1-cycle emergency approval

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the City to sign on as a party to an Interlocal Agreement between Orange County, Florida and the Florida Development Finance Corporation (FDFC) for the purpose of allowing proceeds raised by a FDFC bond issue to be utilized by Renaissance Charter School, Inc. to construct and operate a charter school in Jacksonville. The bill is requested for action as an emergency after 1 committee cycle.

Background Information: The Florida Development Finance Corporation was created by the State of Florida to act as an economic development facilitator by issuing revenue bonds to entities wishing to undertake projects in the state. Counties within which the proceeds of such revenue bonds are proposed to be spent must approve of the expenditure by means of an Interlocal Agreement with the FDFC. The City Council previously approved a joinder agreement with the FDFC (Ordinance 97-301-A), but no copy of that signed agreement can be located, so a new joinder agreement is proposed to allow for a new project in Jacksonville. Orange County and the FDFC have entered into an Interlocal Agreement to allow the proceeds of a bond issue to be used to finance the construction of several charter schools to be operated by Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Renaissance proposes to construct and operate a charter school in Jacksonville at 9238 103rd Street as well as several other schools in other counties. This bill would authorize the City to join the pre-existing Interlocal agreement between Orange County and the FDFC to allow the bond proceeds to be used for the Jacksonville project.

Policy Impact Area: Charter school funding

Fiscal Impact: None – the bond proceeds do not commit to any liability for the use of the proceeds or the repayment of the revenue bonds.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-531

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: PHS, F

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Authorizing agreement with Shands Jacksonville Medical Center; authorizing letter of agreement with Florida Agency for Health Care Administration

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the execution of the annual letter of agreement among the City, Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, and the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration for payment of the City's indigent care contribution of \$23,775,594 to Shands Jacksonville and for the use of those funds to leverage federal "disproportionate share" Medicaid funds to increase the amount of funding available for indigent care purposes.

Background Information: Shands Jacksonville and several of the other largest indigent care provider hospitals in the state participate in the "disproportionate share" program through which the hospitals turn their local indigent care funds over to the state to be used as matching funds to draw down enhanced Medicaid reimbursement for indigent care, thus substantially increasing the amount of care that can be provided as a result of the local appropriation.

NOTE: Shands Jacksonville Medical Center is in the process of changing its name to University of Florida Health Jacksonville, but at this point Shands Jacksonville is still the correct corporate entity name for this purpose.

Policy Impact Area: Indigent care funding

Fiscal Impact: The City's contribution to the disproportionate share fund is \$23,775,594. Due to the complicated formula used by the state and the earmarking of Medicaid funds for particular uses, it is reported to be difficult if not impossible to determine the exact dollar amount of additional funding the City's contribution leverages from Medicaid.

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: August 16, 2013

Type of Action: Franchise Agreement Authorization & Approval; Ordinance Code Waiver

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves a Non-Exclusive Natural Gas Franchise Agreement between the City of Jacksonville and Peoples Gas System, a division of Tampa Electric Company, to allow the use of the rights-of-way of the City of Jacksonville; authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute action to effectuate the purpose of this ordinance; waives Chapter 711 (City Rights-Of-Way), *Ordinance Code*, to allow Franchise Agreement to supersede and otherwise be excepted from Chapter 711 and waive the application of Chapter 711 to the company and its use of the City rights-of-way.

Background Information: Peoples Gas System, a division of Tampa Electric Company (the "Company") and the City of Jacksonville entered into a franchise agreement for 30 years pursuant to Ordinance 73-332-444 and extended the term for ten years through September 30, 2013, pursuant to Ordinance 2003-1103-E. Now the Company and the City desire to enter into a franchise agreement for a period of ten (10) additional years commencing October 1, 2013.

Policy Impact: Office of General Counsel

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-533

Sponsor: Council Members Crescimbeni and Yarborough:

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F; RCD

Date of Analysis: August 16, 2013

Type of Action: Approval of Amendment to Lease Agreement

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves a first amendment to the Amended and Restated Golf Course Lease and Management Agreement between the City of Jacksonville and Comstock Golf Management, Inc., to change the payment date from August 5, 2013 to February 5, 2014; provides that the Parks and Recreation Department will oversee the Agreement.

Background Information: Ordinance 2000-1032-E appropriated funding for the construction of a 9-hole golf course in Blue Cypress Park. The legislation authorized the Administration to execute a lease agreement with Comstock Golf Management, Inc. for the construction, operation and management of the golf course. The lease agreement with Comstock has been subsequently amended in 2001, 2003, 2005 and 2009. The initial term of the lease was 20 years and provided for 10-year extensions. The golf course is located in Council District 1.

Policy Impact: Parks and Recreation

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-534

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission:

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: August 16, 2013

Type of Action: Landmark Structure Designation

Bill Summary: The ordinance regards Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation), *Ordinance Code*; it designates a site on the Essie Mae Holzendorf Estate, in Council District 7, Jacksonville, as a landmark structure; directs the Zoning Administrator to enter the landmark designation on the Zoning Atlas; directs the Chief of Legislative Services to notify each applicant, the property owner and the Property Appraiser of the landmark designation and to cause said designation to be recorded in the public records of Duval County.

Background Information: The structure located on the property at 1473 Evergreen Avenue, Real Estate Number 114605-0000, was constructed in 1913; it was the home of Zora Neale Hurston between 1920 and 1940. Zora Neale Hurston was one of the most significant African American writers in the first half of the 20th century; she had a 30-year literary career in writing four novels, two books of folklore, an autobiography and numerous short stories, articles and plays. Hurston's most noteworthy work was *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, published in 1937. The property owners within 350 feet of the boundaries of the property have been notified of the intent to designate the structure as a landmark.

Policy Impact: Planning & Development/Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission/Historic Preservation

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-535

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission:

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: August 16, 2013

Type of Action: Landmark Site Designation

Bill Summary: The ordinance regards Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation), *Ordinance Code*; designates the James Weldon and John Rosamond Johnson Birth Site, (LaVilla Division C, Block 1C, Lot 6), a parcel located at the northwest corner of Lee and Houston Streets, owned by the City of Jacksonville, Real Estate Number 074829-0000, in Council District 9, Jacksonville, as a Landmark Site; directs the Zoning Administrator to enter the Landmark designation on the Zoning Atlas; directs the Chief of Legislative Services to notify each applicant, the property owner and the Property Appraiser of the landmark designation and to cause said designation to be recorded in the public records of Duval County.

Background Information: The subject property was the location of the family home of James Weldon Johnson and his brother John Rosamond Johnson, where they were born, raised and lived during a significant portion of their lives. The property is also the location where the brothers composed Life Every Voice and Sing, originally composed to commemorate Abraham Lincoln's birthday but later became known as the Negro National Anthem. The property owners within 350 feet of the boundaries of the subject property have been notified of the intent to designate the subject property as a landmark site.

Policy Impact: Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission/Historic Preservation

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-536

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 12, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Barbara Goodman to the Duval County Tourist Development Council (TDC), as a representative of the tourist industry, filling the seat formerly held by Julie Dion, for a partial term ending June 30, 2015.

Background Information: The TDC is established pursuant to Chapter 70, *Ordinance Code*, and Section 125.0104, *Florida Statutes*, and charged to recommend a method of coordination of existing tourist development efforts by both public and private agencies, organizations and business and of new or additional tourist development efforts; identify and recommend methods of eliminating unnecessary duplications in existing tourist development efforts; identify and develop new tourist development efforts; create, prepare and submit to the Council a tourist development plan; and review the expenditures of revenues from the Tourist Development Trust Fund and report any unauthorized expenditures to the Council and State Department of Revenue. Section 70.102(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that three of the members of the Duval County Tourist Development Council shall be persons who are involved in the tourist industry and who have demonstrated an interest in tourist development, but are not associated with tourist accommodation.

Ms. Goodman received a master's degree in counseling from Fresno State University and is the Superintendent of the Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve for the *National Park Service*, a position she has held since 1997. Ms. Goodman resides in the East Arlington area within Council District #2.

Policy Impact Area: Duval County Tourist Development Council operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-537

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 12, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Tiffany S. Wells to the Public Service Grant Council, filling the seat formerly held by Gregory A. Youngblood, for an unexpired term ending December 31, 2013, followed by a first full three-year term ending December 31, 2016.

Background Information: The Public Service Grant Council is established pursuant to Chapter 118, *Ordinance Code*, and charged with the review and evaluation of all Public Service Grant applications and responsibility for making funding recommendations to the Mayor and City Council for Public Service Grants. Section 118.803, *Ordinance Code*, provides that six of the thirteen voting members shall be appointed by the City Council President and confirmed by the City Council.

Ms. Wells received a master's degree in community and social services from Capella University and is a Transformation Champion for *Jewish Families and Community Services*. She resides in the Arlingtonwood area within Council District #1.

Policy Impact Area: Public Service Grant Council operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-538

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 12, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints Council Member Lori N. Boyer to the Joint Planning Committee, as the City Council representative, for a term concurrent with the term of the Council President.

Background Information: The Joint Planning Committee is an advisory body to the Duval County Public Schools and the governing bodies of the cities, within the county, regarding the review of future growth patterns of Duval County; review of existing sites and identification of future sites and facility needs for schools, libraries, parks and community centers; consideration of future site-compatible community facilities; and review of the annual update of the Interlocal Agreement.

Resolution 2001-65-A, which created the Joint Planning Committee, provides for a Council Member representative on the Committee.

Policy Impact Area: Duval County Public Schools and City Council Joint Planning

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-539

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 12, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the reappointment of Council Member Greg Anderson as an ex-officio member of the Cultural Council and the Cultural Service Grant Committee, both for terms concurrent with the term of the Council President.

Background Information: The bylaws of the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville provide for the City Council President, or appointee, as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors; and section 118.605, *Ordinance Code*, provides for a Council Member as an ex-officio member of the Cultural Service Grant Committee.

Policy Impact Area: Cultural Service Grant Program & Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-540

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 12, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints Council Member Reginald L. Brown to the Northeast Florida Regional Council (NEFRC), as a county representative, for a two-year term ending June 30, 2015.

Background Information: The NEFRC is established pursuant to Chapter 186, Part 5, *Florida Statutes*, and charged to provide local governments with a means of exercising the rights, duties and powers of a regional planning agency; to provide a means for conducting the regional comprehensive planning process; to provide regional coordination; to act in an advisory capacity and to exchange, interchange, and review the various programs of regional concern; to promote communication among members and the identification and resolution of common regional-scale problems; to cooperate with federal, state, local and non-governmental agencies and citizens to insure the orderly and harmonious coordination of federal, state and local planning and development programs to assure the orderly and balanced growth and development of this region; and to encourage and promote communications between neighboring regional planning districts in an attempt to insure compatibility in development and long-range planning goals.

The bylaws of the NEFRC, authorized by Resolution 2003-750-A, provide that two of Duval County's representatives on the Regional Council shall be elected county representatives.

Policy Impact Area: Northeast Florida Regional Council operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-541

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 12, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints Council Member Matt Schellenberg to the Northeast Florida Regional Council (NEFRC), as a county representative, for a two-year term ending June 30, 2015.

Background Information: The NEFRC is established pursuant to Chapter 186, Part 5, *Florida Statutes*, and charged to provide local governments with a means of exercising the rights, duties and powers of a regional planning agency; to provide a means for conducting the regional comprehensive planning process; to provide regional coordination; to act in an advisory capacity and to exchange, interchange, and review the various programs of regional concern; to promote communication among members and the identification and resolution of common regional-scale problems; to cooperate with federal, state, local and non-governmental agencies and citizens to insure the orderly and harmonious coordination of federal, state and local planning and development programs to assure the orderly and balanced growth and development of this region; and to encourage and promote communications between neighboring regional planning districts in an attempt to insure compatibility in development and long-range planning goals.

The bylaws of the NEFRC, authorized by Resolution 2003-750-A, provide that two of Duval County's representatives on the Regional Council shall be elected county representatives.

Policy Impact Area: Northeast Florida Regional Council operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-542

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 12, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Council President's reappointment of Council Member Don Redman, as a member of the Downtown Vision, Inc. board, for a term concurrent with the term of the Council President.

Background Information: Downtown Vision, Inc. (DVI) is a not-for-profit 501(c)6 organization whose mission is to enhance the value of downtown properties by being an advocate for downtown businesses and to promote downtown as an exciting place to live, work, shop, play and be entertained. DVI's priorities include making Downtown Jacksonville cleaner, safer, more attractive, and marketing the downtown area through special events and other activities that encourage people to come downtown. DVI is funded by downtown property owners through a special business improvement district assessment, and by the City of Jacksonville. The district, which spans over 90 blocks of downtown, is bounded by Broad Street, Church Street, Market Street and Prudential Drive.

The bylaws for Downtown Vision, Inc. provide for the Council President or designee as a member of the Board of Directors. Council Member Redman has served as the Council representative since 2010.

Policy Impact Area: Downtown Vision, Inc. operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-543

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 13, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment; Emergency Passage

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints Kristanna B. "Kris" Barnes, as a citizen member, to the Value Adjustment Board, for the 2013 Tax Year, for the duration of the board hearings.

Background Information: The Duval County VAB is established pursuant to 194.015, *Florida Statutes*, and charged to hear appeals regarding property assessments and complaints against homestead exemption denials. The membership includes a citizen member, owning homestead property within the county, appointed by the City Council as the governing body of the county.

Ms. Barnes is a former member and chair of the Duval County School Board. During her two terms as a School Board Member, Ms. Barnes served on the VAB as an elected official and has served as the citizen homestead representative on the 2011 and 2012 VABs. Ms. Barnes has also served on the Construction Trades Qualifying Board. She resides in the Miramer area within Council District #5.

Emergency passage has been requested so that a quorum will be available for the organizational meeting of the 2013 VAB.

Attendance: According to records provided by the staff for the VAB, Ms. Barnes has attended 95% of the meetings of the board since her initial appointment in 2011.

	Meetings Attended	Meetings Held
2011	10	11
2012	8	8
2013	0	0
Total	18	19

Policy Impact Area: Value Adjustment Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-549

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2014

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 14, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Council Member Ray Holt, to the Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission, for a term up to four years.

Background Information: The Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission was established by Chapter 2013-173, *Laws of Florida*, and charged to improve mobility and expand multimodal transportation options for persons and freight throughout the six-county North Florida region.

Section 343.1003, *Florida Statutes*, provides that two of the nine-member governing board shall be appointed by the Jacksonville City Council and may be elected officials of the city. Further the length of term for the initial appointees will be determined by the drawing of lots at the first meeting.

Policy Impact Area: Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-550

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2014

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 14, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Council Member Bill Bishop, to the Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission, for a term up to four years.

Background Information: The Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission was established by Chapter 2013-173, *Laws of Florida*, and charged to improve mobility and expand multimodal transportation options for persons and freight throughout the six-county North Florida region.

Section 343.1003, *Florida Statutes*, provides that two of the nine-member governing board shall be appointed by the Jacksonville City Council and may be elected officials of the city. Further the length of term for the initial appointees will be determined by the drawing of lots at the first meeting.

Policy Impact Area: Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-551

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Creation of task force

Bill Summary: The bill creates a Task Force on Consolidation and appoints 30 members to serve on the body, to be chaired by Council Member Lori Boyer. The task force is charged to present a final report to the City Council by June 30, 2014.

Background Information: The task force is charged to undertake an in-depth survey of the history and current operations of the consolidated government; to examine the relationship between the consolidated government and the Beaches and Baldwin cities, the independent authorities and the Constitutional officers; and to make recommendations for potential changes, either by means of Ordinance Code amendment or City Charter amendments via ordinance, legislative J-bill or citizen referendum.

Policy Impact Area: Consolidated government operations

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-552

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Crescimbeni

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: PHS, F

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$339,000 from the Special Council Operating Reserve fund to the Court Administrator to pay for the purchase of computer and audiovisual technology to outfit 4 courtrooms in the county courthouse.

NOTE: per OGC the bill needs to be amended to reflect a corrected appropriation amount of \$346,771.

Background Information: The 4 courtrooms are needed to handle the high volume of mortgage foreclosure cases being filed in the city. The appropriation will pay for microphones, computers, monitors, amplifiers, recorders, and other technology equipment needed to make the courtrooms functional for hearings. The rooms to be equipped are 4 of the 8 shelled but unfinished courtrooms on the 5th floor of the courthouse. The Court Administrator is exploring funding options to outfit the remaining 4 shelled courtrooms to handle the volume of hearings needing to be accommodated.

Policy Impact Area: Courthouse operations

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$339,000 from the Special Council Operating Reserve fund.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-553

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

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: 1st reading emergency – no committee reference

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; authorization and direction to issue notice to property manager; request for emergency action

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$32,400 from a Clerk of the Courts county revenue account and \$14,400 from a public buildings miscellaneous services and charges account to fund juror transportation services provided but not yet paid for and services to be provided for the remainder of the fiscal year. The bill also authorizes and directs the Mayor to issue a letter to Metropolitan Parking Systems, Inc. invoking the provision of Section 8.2(g) of the Redevelopment Agreement between the City and MPS for operation of the Courthouse parking garage downtown to direct MPS to allow jurors called to duty in the county courthouse to park at no charge in the courthouse garage effective October 7, 2013. Emergency approval is requested.

Background Information: Since the opening of the new county courthouse, jurors have been shuttled from parking lots at EverBank Field to the courthouse and back as the City and the Clerk of the Courts have negotiated over a solution that would provide jurors with free parking in the immediate vicinity of the courthouse. The private contractor providing the shuttle service on Monday (jury assembly day when 500 to 600 jurors are called to potentially be placed on juries) has not been paid by the City for the service since March of this year.

The City and the Clerk have reached agreement that the City will permit jurors to park at no charge in the MPS-operated courthouse parking garage beginning October 7th. The Mayor is directed to inform MPS that the City is exercising its option to mandate the free juror parking as provided in MPS's garage management contract. This bill will appropriate funding from the Clerk of the Courts county court revenues and additional funding from the Public Buildings Division to pay the transport company's unpaid invoices since March and to fund the service until the new parking arrangement begins in early October.

Policy Impact Area: Courthouse operations

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$32,400 from a Clerk of the Courts county revenue account and \$14,400 from a public buildings miscellaneous services and charges account to pay the outstanding and upcoming juror shuttle charges.

Analyst: Clements