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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-86

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment; emergency action request

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 60 – Human Rights Commission – to reduce the membership of the commission from 20 to 11 members and to change the threshold voting requirement for the board to take official action from 9 to 7 members. The bill requests emergency action so that the reduction by attrition can begin immediately and currently pending appointments would be prohibited.

Background Information: The Human Rights Commission currently consists of 20 members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council. The ordinance currently requires that at least 9 members present (45% of total membership) must concur in a report or recommendation for the commission to take official action. The amendment would reduce the commission membership to 11 and the threshold vote for taking corporate action to 7 members present (63.6% of total membership). The bill states that the membership reduction will take place through attrition as commissioners with expiring terms are not replaced. Emergency action is requested because 3 reappointments and 1 new appointment to the board are currently pending, and appointment of those members would delay the reduction by attrition by 3 years until those terms end.

Policy Impact Area: Human Rights Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements

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

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: PHS, F

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Amendment to prior ordinance; encumbrance of funds

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$26,076,178 within the Better Jacksonville Plan Unified Courthouse Program and \$291,985 in debt proceeds for the purpose of encumbering \$26,368,173 for the build-out of the State Attorney's Office in the old federal courthouse.

Background Information: At several meetings of the Special Courthouse Oversight Committee, representatives of the State Attorney's Office have expressed concern that the funding for the renovation of the old federal courthouse into the new State Attorney's Office may be jeopardized by on-going issues at the new county courthouse which may lead to funds being administratively reallocated with the Unified Courthouse Project to deal with courthouse issues, leaving insufficient funds under the \$350 million cap to complete the state attorney's office as planned. This bill would formally encumber funding for the construction of the state attorney's office and for moving expenses, contract administration and other project related costs, necessitating further Council action should any of the funding be contemplated for other uses.

Policy Impact Area: State Attorney's office construction

Fiscal Impact: The bill would encumber \$26,368,173 of existing funds within the Unified Courthouse Project for allocation to the State Attorney's Office construction project.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-88

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; Agreement Authorization; CIP Amendment

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$200,000 from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to a Local Agency Agreement between FDOT and the City for landscaping and beautification of the West Central Civic Core District, as initiated by B.T. 13-027; for a carryover of funds to subsequent fiscal years until completion of the project; approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary executing and delivering on behalf of the City Supplemental No. 2 to the Local Agency Agreement between FDOT and the City; the ordinance amends the 2012-2016 five-year Capital Improvement Program, approved by Ordinance 2012-434-E, to increase funding for the "Civic Core – Downtown Enhancements" project.

Background Information: This appropriation continues civic-core downtown enhancements that were initiated by projects funded by Ordinance 2009-215-E. The 2009 improvement enhancements included making Laura Street a two-way thoroughfare, planting trees into the ground, installing historic lights, new sidewalks, making traffic signal boxes more like kiosks in the Laura Street and Bay Street areas. The enhancements funded by this ordinance include the area in front of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce building on Independence Drive. The locale is located in Council District 4.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Construction Management/Downtown Enhancements

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$200,000 from the FDOT

Analyst: Jackson

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

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCD

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$11,036,722.63 in debt service savings from bond refinancing to a Downtown Economic Development Fund (\$9 million) and to the Countywide Economic Development Fund (\$2,036,722.63) for use in stimulating economic development in the city.

Background Information: The bill provides that expenditures from the Downtown Economic Development Fund shall be at the discretion and by the authorization of the Downtown Investment Authority board once a downtown redevelopment plan has been drafted by the DIA and approved by City Council. Prior to that approval, any expenditures from the downtown fund must be approved by City Council, as must any appropriations of funds from the countywide fund at any time.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development.

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$11,036,722.63 in debt service savings from bond refinancing to two economic development funds. The Finance Department estimates that much smaller amounts of debt service savings will accrue in future years as a result of this refinancing.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-90

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Sheriff:

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F; PHS

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The ordinance, in accordance with Section 932.7055, Florida Statutes, \$140,373.80 from the Special Law Enforcement Trust Fund and, in accordance with Section 111.340, *Ordinance Code*, \$12,899.00 from the Police Explorers Trust Fund in order to provide (1) \$68,000.00 to the Police Athletic League of Jacksonville, Inc., (2) \$25,000.00 to the Justice Coalition, Inc., (3) \$14,400.00 to Kingdom Fellowship, Inc., (4) \$12,473.80 to Hubbard House, Inc., (5) \$3,000.00 to Maceo Elks Lodge #8, (6) \$5,000.00 to Angelwood, Inc., (7) \$10,000.00 to MAD DADS Jacksonville Chapter, Inc. and, (8) \$2,500.00 to Malivai Washington Kids Foundation, Inc., as initiated by B.t. 13-030.

Background Information: Kingdom Fellowship, Inc. is a not for profit corporation that focuses on faith-based partnerships between the community and schools. Angelwood's primary mission is to improve the quality of life for children and adults with disabilities. Maceo Elks Lodge #8 is located on Duval Street in LaVilla. The lodge partners with JSO, feeds young people in the community, and sponsors programs for kids in community centers. The Police Explorer's Fund is a youth activities program run by police officers and volunteers for the purpose of preventing juvenile crime and drug use.

Policy Impact: JSO/Crime Fighters/Victims' Rights

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$140,373.80

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-91

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Holt

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; CIP amendment; finding of detriment by delaying CIP amendment

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$4,087,118.75 from the Alta Road Improvements Fair Share account to provide fair share funding to the Alta Road widening project. The bill amends the 2013-17 Capital Improvement Program to reflect the allocation of this funding to the project in FY12-13 and finds that it would be detrimental to delay the CIP amendment to the next budget cycle because construction costs are beginning to rise and a delay would result in higher project costs.

Background Information: The Alta Road project will widen Alta Road to a 5-lane urban section from I-295 to New Berlin Road. Total project cost is estimated between \$12 million (as shown on the attached CIP listing sheet) and \$14.5 million (referenced in the bill text). The funding being allocated is fair share proceeds and interest accrued within Fair Share Sector 6.1 where the Alta Road project is located.

Policy Impact Area: Roadway improvement funding

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$4,087,118.75 from the Alta Road Improvements Fair Share account to begin funding the Alta Road widening project engineering phase.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-92

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

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$898,105 in Supervisor of Elections' budgetary savings from FY11-12 to reduce the office's Banking Fund debt principal.

Background Information: In 2012 the City Council passed Ordinance 2012-143-E which authorized the Supervisor of Elections to capture residual fund balances available after the close-out of a fiscal year resulting from mid-year operational efficiencies and other cost savings and to apply those residual savings to the reduction of the office's Banking Fund principal balance. This bill appropriates the residual fund balance remaining after the close-out of FY11-12 to Supervisor of Elections' Banking Fund principal reduction.

Policy Impact Area: Use of budgetary savings; Banking Fund repayment

Fiscal Impact: The bill \$898,105 in Supervisor of Elections' budgetary savings from FY11-12.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-93

Sponsor: Council Member Redman:

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R; RCD

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2013

Type of Action: Memorial Designation; Agreement Authorization

Bill Summary: The ordinance names a square located at the Veteran's Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Boulevard, Jacksonville, "Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Square;" the ordinance authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police to install and maintain a Law Enforcement Memorial Square; the ordinance requests that the Mayor designate the Public Works Department to oversee the project.

Background Information: The first recorded death of a police officer in Jacksonville was in 1840; since that first recorded death, there has been 60 uniformed police and corrections officers slain in the line of duty. The Jacksonville Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc. recognizes the importance of remembering and honoring police and corrections officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice by giving their lives for the preservation of peace and order in the City and to save the lives of others. The memorial square will enable the citizens of Jacksonville to celebrate the lives lost in the protection of our community throughout the year and in conjunction with the National Law Enforcement Memorial services held annually in the month of May. The Foundation would construct and maintain a Law Enforcement Memorial at the square, at the Foundation's own expense. The project site is located in Council District 7.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Fraternal Order of Police Foundation/Veteran's Memorial Arena

Fiscal Impact: Expense for the construction and maintenance of the project to be borne by the Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-94

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Clark

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code waiver

Bill Summary: The bill waives provisions of Ordinance Code Chapter 655 – Concurrency and Mobility Management System – to waive the calculation and collection of mobility fees for single family residential construction for a period of 3 years from the effective date of the ordinance or until repealed by subsequent action of the City Council, whichever comes first. An applicant would have up to 6 months from the end of the mobility fee waiver term (42 months total from the effective date of the waiver) to pull a building permit for a project for which a concurrency certificate is issued during the moratorium period.

Background Information: The City Council enacted a one year mobility fee moratorium beginning in October 2011 (Ordinance 2011-617-E), which expired in October 2012. The bill sponsor wishes to re-enact the waiver for a 3 year period as an economic stimulus measure, the original moratorium having been too short to appreciably affect development activity given other economic conditions.

Policy Impact Area: Economic stimulus; mobility fee waiver

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Clements

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F; TEU

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2013

Type of Action: Easement Authorization; Stipulation of Parties

Bill Summary: The ordinance authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver on behalf of the City of Jacksonville (1) the Rail Grade Crossing Easement between the City of Jacksonville and Nichols Creek Development, LLC, and (2) the Stipulation of Parties for the opening of a new highway rail grade crossing extending over New Berlin Road and New Berlin Court between and among the City of Jacksonville, Nichols Creek Development, LLC, and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

Background Information: The purpose of the Rail Grade Crossing Easement and the Stipulation of Parties is to allow for the construction of two new grade crossings at the intersection of New Berlin Road and New Berlin Court. These new crossings will be constructed and maintained by Peeples Industries, Inc. ("Peeples"), which is in the process of purchasing the real property adjacent to the crossings from Nichols Creek Development, LLC. In addition, Peeples will pay the standard annual maintenance fees for the crossings.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Engineering

Fiscal Impact: The crossing to be constructed and maintained by developer; no additional funding required from the City.

Analyst: Jackson

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2013

Type of Action: Coveyance Approval; Easement Authorization

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves, in accordance with Section 122.421, *Ordinance Code*, the conveyance to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) of a perpetual drainage easement in an existing open drainage ditch which carries storm water through the area of Hamilton Street and Jersey Street in the vicinity of Fremont Street in Council District 9; it authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver for and on behalf of the City, a perpetual easement and all other documents necessary or appropriate to convey the perpetual drainage easement to FDOT.

Background Information: The perpetual drainage easement is for the purpose of accessing, constructing, and maintaining existing headwalls and proposed side drain culverts, and of regarding the area in front of existing headwalls within the open drainage ditch. The subject drainage ditch carries storm water through the area of Hamilton Street and Jersey Street in the vicinity of Edgemont Street. Both FDOT and City storm drainage flows through this area before it flows under Roosevelt Boulevard and ultimately flowing into the Ortega River.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Real Estate

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-97

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Brown

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, TEU

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Honorary street designation; Ordinance Code waiver

Bill Summary: The bill gives an honorary street designation to a portion of Firestone Road between Wilson Boulevard and Moses Street in honor of community activist Curtis Johnson and authorizes the erection of a privately-funded roadway marker in Mr. Johnson's honor. The bill waives the requirement of Ordinance Code Section 745.105(e)(2) requiring that honorary road namings be for persons who have been deceased for a minimum of 5 years.

Background Information: Curtis Johnson was a well-known community activist in the Sweetwater area of Council District 10, helping to found the area's Neighborhood Watch and creating the Save Our Community Kids (SOCK) program to provide recreational activities for children during the summertime, among other accomplishments. Mr. Johnson served in the U.S. Army, was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church, was a member of the Southwest CPAC and the Sheriff's Advisory Council (ShAdCo), and was awarded the Good Neighbor Award and the Citizen of the Year Award in 1998.

Policy Impact Area: Honorary roadway naming

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-105

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F; RCD; JWW

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2013

Type of Action: Authorization for Funding Application; Acknowledgement of Funding Obligation

Bill Summary: The resolution authorizes the Mayor to apply to the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) for 2013-2014 grants to undertake specific waterways-related projects; it authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver documents related to the grants; acknowledges the City's willingness to meet funding requirements; provides for City oversight by the Department of Planning & Development.

Background Information: Applying for FIND grants is an annual undertaking. FIND returns to counties a portion of ad valorem taxes that FIND annually collects from the County's taxpayers to fund waterways projects. The Administration compiles list of waterways projects together for FIND funding. The Jacksonville Waterways Commission vets those projects and makes recommendations to the City Council on the merits and priorities of the projects. FIND requires that when applications for grants are submitted, counties must include a resolution that acknowledges the county's willingness to meet matching fund requirements. Projects on the FIND Prioritized Project List for 2013-2014 include: Exchange Island; sisters ICW Dock Redesign; Ortega Channel Markings; County Road Boat Ramp; Northbank Riverwalk Bridge; Geffen Kayak Launch; Northshore Kayak Launch; Lighting at 4 Boat Ramps; Reed Island; Harborview Dredging; continuation of Blue Cypress boardwalk. Most of the projects involve the design and permitting for docks, kayak launches and the installation of amenities. One of FIND's missions is providing funding for projects that increase the public's access to waterways.

Policy Impact: Waterways; Florida Inland Navigation District

Fiscal Impact: The resolution acknowledges the City of Jacksonville's willingness to meet FIND's matching fund requirements as they relate to the 2013-2014 projects.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-106

Sponsor: Council Member Love at the request of the Waterways Commission:

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: RCD; JWW

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2013

Type of Action: Receipt and Transmission of Annual Manatee Plan Update

Bill Summary: The resolution receives and recognizes the annual update (2011-2012) to the Duval County Manatee Protection Plan, as originally approved in Resolution 2006-1240-A; the resolution directs the transmission of the resolution and the 2011-2012 annual update to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

Background Information: Duval County established a Manatee Protection Plan in 2000 (Resolution 2000-238-A). On an annual basis, the County submits an update to the Manatee Protection Plan to the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission. The update consists of manatee data and research that is compiled by Jacksonville University. The City of Jacksonville contracts with Jacksonville University for the collection of manatee research and data; JU provides monthly reports on manatee data to the Jacksonville Waterways Commission. The Waterways Commission reviewed and approved the 2011-2012 Annual Update at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 14, 2012. The Update does not represent any changes in the Manatee Protection Plan per se but is a compilation of data and research on manatees in 2011-2012.

Policy Impact: Manatees; Manatee Protection Plan; Jacksonville Waterways Commission

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-107

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Jones

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Petition to Mayor; request for report

Bill Summary: The bill urges the Mayor to investigate the feasibility and cost saving possibilities of converting the City's streetlights to LED fixtures under a performance contract with a private provider who would bear the initial start-up cost of the transition under a performance contract that would capitalize the cost of the project over time. The bill requests the Mayor to report to the City Council by the June 4, 2013 Finance Committee meeting on the feasibility of such a performance contract.

Background Information: Several City Council committees have received briefings over the years by providers interested in exploring a conversion of the City's streetlights from the current high pressure sodium light to newer technology LED or metal halide lights, which produce a brighter, more true-color light at a cost savings in electrical consumption. Modern lighting control technology also offers opportunities for automatic dimming during late-night hours in areas where traffic is light, longer bulb life, and lower maintenance costs than the lights currently in use. The JEA currently maintains the City's streetlights, with the City paying the electric cost and a maintenance fee to the JEA.

Policy Impact Area: Electrical savings; enhanced street lighting and public safety

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined; new technology and more energy-efficient lamps offer the opportunity for substantial reductions in electric costs, but the capital cost for installation of new fixtures and lamps must be borne up-front and amortized by the cost savings over time.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-108

Sponsor: Council President Bishop:

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU; F

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2013

Type of Action: Expression of Appreciation

Bill Summary: The resolution expresses appreciation to the Governor and Legislature for supporting the Jacksonville Port Authority in correcting Mile Point; it requests that the Governor and Legislature secure funding and authorization for correction to Mile Point; it directs the Council Legislative Services Division to provide a copy of this resolution to the Governor of Florida, President of the Florida Senate, Speaker of the Florida House and Members of the First Coast Legislative and Congressional Delegations.

Background Information: Jacksonville is in competition in the maritime industry to secure and accommodate larger vessels that will be calling on Southeast United States ports when the Panama Canal is retrofitted to handle larger vessels. Presently, Mile Point is an obstacle for incoming vessels whose destination is JaxPort facilities. The confluence of the IntraCoastal Waterway and the St. Johns River at Mile Point restricts timing of ships arriving and leaving port facilities. Modifications to the St. Johns River are required to meet the challenges of changing markets in shipping. Those modification include dredging the channel and disposing of the dredged material. This resolution expresses the Council's appreciation to the Governor and Legislature for their support of JaxPort's efforts to secure funding to correct Mile Point and providing essential funds for necessary replacement and repairs of marine facilities.

Policy Impact: Jacksonville Port Authority

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-109

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Holt and Love

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Expression of Council support

Bill Summary: The bill expresses the City's support for the basing of U.S. Air Force F-35A joint strike fighter aircraft at the Florida Air National Guard base at Jacksonville International Airport.

Background Information: The F-35 is the U.S. military's newest multi-purpose aircraft, versions of which will be assigned to the Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps to replace the existing generation of aging aircraft. F-35 testing and pilot training began in summer 2012 at Eglin Air Force Base in the Florida panhandle and the plane should be placed into service in the next few years, at which time decisions will need to be made by each of the services as to where the new planes will be based. This resolution puts the City on record supporting the basing of F-35s at the Florida Air National Guard base at Jacksonville International Airport.

Policy Impact Area: National defense; local economic development

Fiscal Impact: None at this time

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-113

Sponsor: Council President Bishop

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 7, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the appointment of Gaylord George Candler to the Jacksonville Ethics Commission, replacing Tatiana R. Salvador for a partial term ending December 31, 2014.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Ethics Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 602, Part 9, *Ordinance Code*, and empowered to review, interpret, render advisory opinions and enforce Chapter 602, *Ordinance Code*; and, in accordance with Section 1.202, *Municipal Charter*, to exercise the following powers and duties:

- Authorized to receive, and to investigate and issue findings with regard to complaints alleging an ethics violation;
- Provide assistance and input into the management and coordination of the training and education of local officers and employees in state and local ethics, including the City's Ethics Education Program, as well as all public records and sunshine law training throughout the government;
- May, upon employee or citizen complaint, or upon its own initiative, seek information and gather facts for the purpose of reviewing any circumstance or situation of which the Commission may become aware that appears to violate or may potentially violate an acceptable standard of ethics conduct for City officers and employees;
- Jurisdiction to levy those civil fines or penalties authorized in Chapter 602 for violations of the City's ethics code; and
- Act as the hiring committee, subject to Council confirmation, for the executive director of the Ethics Oversight and Compliance office.

Section 602.912, *Ordinance Code*, provides that one of the nine members of the commission shall be appointed by the President of the Council and confirmed by Council.

Dr. Candler received his Ph.D. from Indiana University with a concentration in Public Policy, Comparative Politics and Environmental Policy and is an Associate Professor with the *University of North Florida*. He resides in Jacksonville Beach within Council District #13.

Because Dr. Candler's initial term will be for less than 50% of a full term three-year term, this term will not be considered a "first full" term for reappointment purposes in accordance with Section 602.912(a), *Ordinance Code*.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Ethics Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-114

Sponsor: Council President Bishop

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 7, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Donnie L. Romine, Jr. to the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc., in the "provider" category, replacing Steven M. Blumberg for a first term ending September 30, 2014.

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 President at *St. Vincent's Medical Center Southside*. He resides within Council District #3.

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 2013-115

Sponsor: Council President Bishop

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 7, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints James E. Cobb to the Duval County Research and Development Authority, for a fifth four-year term ending October 17, 2016.

Background Information: The Duval County Research and Development Authority is established pursuant to Chapter 67, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to oversee "First Coast Technology Park", a 285-acre commerce center at the University of North Florida; for the purpose of promoting scientific research and development in affiliation with and related to the research and development activities of one or more state-based, accredited, public or private institutions of higher education; for the purpose of financing and refinancing capital projects related to establishment of a research and development park in affiliation with one or more institutions of higher education, including facilities that complement or encourage the complete operation thereof; and for the fostering of the economic development and broadening the economic base of the county. Section 159.703, *Florida Statutes*, provides that the members of the board shall be residents and electors of, or have their principal place of employment in, the county.

Mr. Cobb received a law degree from the University of Florida and is a partner in the law firm of *Peek & Cobb*. He resides in the Ortega area within Council District 14.

Attendance: According to information provided by the staff for the board, Mr. Cobb has attended 86% of the meetings of the board since 1999.

	Meetings Attended	Meetings Held
1999	6	8
2000	2	3
2001	3	4
2002	6	7
2003	4	5
2004	3	3
2005	4	4
2006	3	3
2007	1	1
2008	1	1
2009	1	1
2010	1	1
2011	1	1
2012	1	1
Total	37	43

Policy Impact Area: Duval County Research and Development Authority Operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-116

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Boyer

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 118 – City Grants – to alter the Public Service Grant process to provide an option for allocations based either on a grant application process or a request for proposals process as recommended by the PSG Council and selected by City Council. It increases the size of the Public Service Grant Council from 7 members appointed by the Mayor to 13 members, 7 of whom are appointed by the Mayor and 6 by the Council President, and provides that the Council President shall also appoint a City Council member as a liaison to the PSG Council. The bill requires that a minimum of two Mayoral appointees and two Council President appointees shall have prior experience with grant processes, either as grant writers, applicants, administrators or recipients. It adds language prohibiting any PSG Council member from participating in the review or consideration of any organization with which that member is affiliated as an employee, board member or consultant.

The amendment provides that the PSG Council shall annually review and consider the City's need for programs not already funded by City resources, recommend priority populations, and recommend a percentage allocation of available funds among the various suggested priorities using data sources and reports from organizations such as JCCI, the Non-Profit Center of Northeast Florida, the Jessie Ball DuPont Fund, the Community Foundation, United Way of Northeast Florida, the Disabled Services Council and the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida. Priority needs recommendations shall be sufficiently narrow and specific so as to address a particular gap in available service and not so broad that every applicant is eligible for funding. It requires that supporting documentation from the grant or RFP review, scoring and ranking process be retained and available for public review, and provides a basic scoring methodology.

Background Information: The sponsor has spent considerable time observing the Public Service Grant Council in action and believes that the proposed amendments will provide for greater clarity, transparency and accountability in the PSG evaluation and recommendation process.

Policy Impact Area: Public service grant funding process

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-117

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Crescimbeni

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, TEU

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 382 – Waste Collection and Disposal Service by Contractors – to require that effective September 1, 2013, the color of all waste disposal carts purchased by the City or by a contract hauler for City-sponsored service shall be forest green, dark gray or brown in color.

Background Information: The carts purchased by Southland Waste for use in its service area in Arlington and the Southside are royal blue color, with a matching blue lid for the garbage container and a yellow lid for the recycling container. Some residents have objected to the color as being too bright and excessively visible and expressed a preference for a more muted color.

Policy Impact Area: Solid waste standards of service

Fiscal Impact: None

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-118

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Crescimbeni, Clark and Lumb

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Lease agreement authorization

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the execution of a lease agreement between the City and Terranova, Inc. for the Supervisor of Elections office to continue its occupancy of its operations center at the Gateway Mall on Norwood Avenue for a period of 10 years. The lease provides that the landlord will make a list of substantial improvements to the facility and provides for an annual 3% rent escalation factor.

Background Information: The Supervisor of Elections occupies approximately 50,000 square feet of space in the Gateway Mall for the office's voting machine storage and testing facility and elections day operations center. Over the last several years the condition of the facility has deteriorated to an unacceptable level and the Supervisor and City Council have been considering alternative locations. The new owner of the Gateway Mall has offered to make substantial improvements valued at approximately \$450,000 to the facility (new HVAC system, separate utility meters, removal of an escalator and replacement with two elevators) and is offering a reduced rental rate beginning at \$24,583.33 per month in year one and escalating at 3% per year to \$32,075.67 per month in year ten. As an additional inducement to enter into the lease, the landlord offer a \$10,000 per month rent credit or cash reimbursement for the first six months of the new lease.

Policy Impact Area: Supervisor of Elections operations

Fiscal Impact: The new lease reduces the current lease rate by over 50% (\$24,583 per month versus the current \$51,000) in year one, with the rent escalating by 3% per year thereafter.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-119

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

Date of Introduction: February 12, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2013

Type of Action: Approval of engagement agreement for outside legal counsel; appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the Office of General Counsel to engage outside legal counsel – Allen, Norton & Blue, P.A. – to provide labor relations and collective bargaining services for the remainder of FY12-13 on a contractual basis for a price not to exceed \$150,000. The bill appropriates \$150,000 from the OGC's Retained Earnings account to its Professional Services account for this purpose.

Background Information: Within the last several months the General Counsel has accepted the resignation of 2 of the office's 4 attorneys with labor relations experience and she has determined that the anticipated high workload for legal services relating to negotiations with the City's 6 collective bargaining units over proposed pension plan changes and other employee benefits requires that outside counsel be retained to assist in this work for the remainder of the fiscal year. Allen, Norton & Blue will bill the City its governmental rate of \$245/hour for partners, \$180/hour for associates and \$90/hour for paralegals, plus expenses (filing fees, photocopying, courier service, long distance telephone calls, photocopying, etc.) up to a maximum engagement cap of \$150,000.

Policy Impact Area: Legal service provision

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$150,000 to an OGC professional services account, with a reverter clause providing that any unspent funds revert to the OGC's retained earnings account.

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