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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-74

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members K. Brown and R. Brown and Co-sponsored by Council Member Newby

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: February 13, 2018

Type of Action: Amending *Ordinance*

Bill Summary: This bill amends Chapter 656 (Zoning Code), *Ordinance:*

- Part 1 (General Provisions), Subpart D (Zoning Exceptions, Variances and Waivers, Amendments to Final Order, Appeals of Written Interpretations of the Director and Appeals of Final Orders of the Commission); and
- Part 3 (Schedule of District Regulations),

Background Information: Council Member K. Brown held a notice meeting on January 11, 2018 to discuss LUZ Matters, liquor stores, and game rooms. In regards to liquor stores, it was determined that a revised review process was necessary to monitor the number of stores in a particular area. Also, residents and district council members should have an opportunity to vet additional liquor stores opening in a neighborhood. The Planning and Development Department suggested that liquor stores should only be granted by exception and that all alcohol waivers must be heard before Land Use and Zoning Committee.

Part 1 amendment adds language and authority for the Planning Commission or the City Council to consider waivers related to liquor locations.

Part 3 amendment adds language and references of Council approval, via an exception, for an establishment or facility (commercial or industrial) which includes the retail sale and service of all alcoholic beverages including liquor, beer or wine for off-premises consumption or both on-premises and off-premises consumption.

Policy Impact Area: Zoning Code, Alcohol beverages, Liquor licenses

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-75

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: February 13, 2018

Type of Action: Amending Ordinance

Bill Summary: This bill amends Chapter 656, *Ordinance Code*:

- Section 656.133 (Waivers for Minimum Distance Requirements for Liquor License Locations; Minimum Street Frontage Requirements; Signs; Downtown Properties), to provide a waiver process for minimum distance requirements for Medical Marijuana Dispensing Facilities;
- Repeals Subsections 656.313(IV)(A)(25), (IV)(A)(26), (V)(A)(28), and (V)(A)(29) (Community/General Category) related to the processing and/or dispensing of Low-THC *Cannabis* as a permitted use in the CCG-1 and CCG-2 Zoning Districts in their entirety;
- Repeals Subsections 656.321(I)(A)(14) And (I)(A)(15) (Business Park Category) related to the processing and/or dispensing of Low-THC *Cannabis* as a permitted use in IBP Zoning Districts in their entirety;
- Repeals Subsections 656.322(II)(A)(22), (II)(A)(23), And (II)(A)(24) (Light Industrial Category) related to the cultivation, processing and/or dispensing of Low-THC *Cannabis* as a permitted use in IL Zoning Districts in their entirety;
- Repeals Subsection 656.331(I)(A)(16) (Agriculture) related to cultivation of Low-THC *Cannabis* as a permitted use in AGR Zoning Districts in its entirety;
- Amends Section 656.401 (Performance Standards and Development Criteria) to remove standards for the cultivation, processing, and dispensing of Low-THC Cannabis and provide the minimum distance requirements for Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers and parking requirements for Medical Marijuana Dispensing Facilities;
- Amends Section 656.1601 (Definitions) to amend definition of Commercial Retail Sales and Service Establishments, remove definitions for Low-THC *Cannabis* Facilities and related terms, and to add definition for Medical Marijuana Dispensing Facility; and
- Providing for Severability

Background Information: The Florida Legislature initially enacted a medical marijuana law in 2014 to allow the operation of a limited number of dispensing organizations to cultivate, process, transport, and dispense low-THC cannabis to qualified patients and. In November 2016, the voters of the State of Florida passed an amendment that fully legalizes medical use of marijuana for qualifying patients and authorizes the cultivation, processing, distribution, and sale of marijuana by Medical Marijuana treatment Centers (MMTC). Thus, the Florida Legislature expanded the use of marijuana for debilitating medical conditions, known as the Medical Marijuana Act. This amendment provides local government a choice regarding the boundaries and restrictions on MMTC dispensing facilities.

For the best interest of the City, MMTC dispensing facilities can be within the boundaries of the City of Jacksonville and may be located within 500 feet of a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school, if the location has been determined to promote public health, safety, and general welfare of the community.

Based on the possible locations of MMTCs, the Zoning Code must be amended to add language referencing the minimum requirements for Medical Marijuana Dispensing Facilities; and revoke all subsections regarding cultivation, processing and/or dispensing of low-THC *Cannabis* in CCG, IBP, and IL Zoning Districts.

Policy Impact Area: Zoning Code, Medical Marijuana

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-76

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members R. Brown, K. Brown, Newby and Gaffney

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2018

Type of Action: City Charter amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends City Charter Article 21 – JEA - to create a requirement that JEA must install water and sewer mains and related facilities along all public highways and streets in “pre-consolidation urban areas” that are currently without City water and sewer service.

Background Information: The preamble of the bill states that many areas of the city that are unserved by public water and sewer systems have been promised connection to such systems since city/county consolidation in 1968, but only a very small number of such properties have ever been connected to public utilities while JEA has during the intervening years expanded its service area into St. Johns and Nassau Counties. The bill raises the issue of retrofitting these unserved areas as an important factor to be considered in the current discussion of the potential sale of the JEA to private investors. JEA has long had a policy that its system expands through the construction of utility infrastructure by private developers to serve new customers, and that it generally does not use revenues derived from current customers to build infrastructure for new growth.

The Task Force on Consolidated Government in its 2014 report *Blueprint for Improvement II* made two recommendations with regard to infrastructure improvements promised at the time of consolidation:

1. Amend the Ordinance Code to require that a specified percentage of appropriated spending and authorized borrowing for the annual Capital Improvement Program budget be specifically used for projects in pre-consolidation urban areas that were promised but not delivered, such as roads, water lines, sewer lines, storm water drainage, and streetlights.
2. Amend the Ordinance Code to require appropriate independent authorities with responsibility for carrying out capital improvements projects in the pre-consolidated urban areas of the City to assess the unmet CIP needs in those areas and set aside an annual amount of their CIP budgets to address those unmet needs.

Policy Impact Area: Public utility connections to infill areas

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-77

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Introduced by Council Member Gulliford

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

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

Date of Analysis: February 12, 2018

Type of Action: *City Charter* amendment

Bill Summary: This bill amends Section 13.04 (Qualifications of Board Members), Article 13 (Duval County School Board), *City Charter*.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to amend the section of the *City Charter* which pertains to School Board member qualifications. Previously, School Board members could be elected if they were also a federal employee, notary public, or member of the armed services. With this amendment, School Board members will not be permitted to hold any other local public office or local public employment.

Policy Impact Area: Duval County School Board member qualifications

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Hampsey

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-78

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS; F

Date of Analysis: February 16, 2018

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The ordinance transfers \$1,381,416.00 from the Kids Hope Alliance (KHA) operating contingency into KHA operating budget in order to fund KHA operations through September 30, 2018, use \$174,000.00 in personnel savings to fund the UNF and NLP Logix contracts through the remainder of the fiscal year, and provide funding for the CEO search and rebranding, as initiated by B.T. 18-038.

Background Information: As part of the FY 2017-2018 budget process, six months of operating funding, including salaries and benefits, were placed in an operating contingency pending the outcome of Ordinance 2017-563-E. This legislation provides funding for operations for the next six months, through September 30, 2018. Estimated personnel cost savings of \$174,000 is being moved into professional services for program performance evaluation contracts with the University of North Florida and NLP Logix, the CEO search and rebranding. The CEO search allows the Kids Hope Alliance to outsource the search process, if necessary using a professional executive search firm. Employee Services estimated the cost of using an outside company to run approximately 25% of the salary for the position. Rebranding requires changing the name from the Jacksonville Children's Commission to Kids Hope Alliance, the Jacksonville Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families, as required by the ordinance. This includes changing stationary business cards, webs, website as well as internal and external buildings signage.

Policy Impact: Kids Hope Alliance

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$1,381,416.00.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-79

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU; F

Date of Analysis: February 16, 2018

Type of Action: Appropriation; CIP Amendment

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$150,000.00 from CIP Capital Subfunds 31J & 31F/General Fund – GSD to CIP Capital Subfunds 31J, 31F, and 32E to fund interior improvements to the first floor of the St. James Building in order to provide food and beverage services, as initiated by B.T. 18-042; it amends the 2018-2022 five-year Capital Improvement Program, approved by Ordinance 2017-505-E, to provide additional funding for the project entitled “St. James Bldg – 1st Floor Interior Improvements.”

Background Information: In the old City Hall, 220 E. Bay Street, the Division of Blind Service operated a food and beverage concern on the ground floor. When City Hall operations were moved to the St. James Building in 1997, initial planning provided for a food and beverage operation on the ground floor of the St. James Building. Initial plans for a food a beverage operation at the St. James Building never came to fruition.

Policy Impact: Public Works Department

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$150,000.00.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018- 80

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: February 12, 2018

Type of Action: Appropriation and fund transfer

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of funds from the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority operating subfund fund balance to the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority Loan Trust Fund.

Background Information: The purpose of the appropriation is to provide additional funding for the JHFA Loan Trust fund to be administered pursuant to Chapter 52.108, *Municipal Code*. The \$2.2 million will provide funds for affordable rental or homeownership units.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority Loan Trust Fund

Fiscal Impact: Appropriation of \$2.2 million from the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority operating subfund to the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority Loan Trust Fund. No new costs to the City.

Analyst: Hampsey

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-81

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

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2018

Type of Action: Appropriation; approval of legal settlement

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund/General Services District fund balance account to the Office of General Counsel's Judgements, Claims and Losses Over \$50,000 account to pay a litigation settlement in a case alleging racial discrimination and retaliation in the Fire and Rescue Department. The bill authorizes execution of the settlement agreement and authorizes the Office of General Counsel to take such actions as are necessary to conclude the litigation.

Background Information: The plaintiff in the case of *Winston Judge v. City of Jacksonville*, a Fire and Rescue Department employee, alleges unlawful denial of compensable employment opportunities based on his race and in retaliation for his prior complaints, and seeks damages exceeding \$300,000. The plaintiff and the City have negotiated a settlement agreement in the total amount of \$100,000 for compensatory (pain and suffering) damages only to avoid the expense and uncertainty of further litigation, upon payment of which the case will be dismissed with prejudice and considered permanently settled.

Policy Impact Area: Legal settlement

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund/General Services District fund balance to pay the settlement amount.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018- 82

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Introduced by Council Member Carter

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: February 12, 2018

Type of Action: Appropriation, designation of oversight agency and procurement code exemption

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of \$173,025 from Trail Ridge Landfill Mitigation funds for improvements to Baldwin Middle-Senior High School. The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will oversee the project and the Duval County School Board shall assist with project management. The procurement for the reimbursement to the Baldwin Booster Club in the amount of \$4,400 for the purchase of an end zone camera is exempted from competitive solicitation.

Background Information: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding from the Trail Ridge Landfill Mitigation Fund to provide funding for Baldwin improvements. Any funds not utilized for the purposes set forth in this ordinance shall be returned to the fund of origin by September 30, 2018. Funding for the installation of the fence proposed at the property formerly known as the Mamie Agnes Jones Elementary School is contingent upon the conveyance of the property, currently owned by the Duval County School Board, to the Town of Baldwin.

Improvement	Cost
Baldwin Middle-Senior High School bleachers	\$28,000
Baldwin Middle-Senior High School new wall sign	\$3,025
Baldwin Middle-Senior High School new batting cages and removal of existing batting cages	\$49,500
Baldwin Middle-Senior High School two baseball/softball scoreboard signs for a total cost of	\$13,600
Baldwin Booster Club reimbursement for an end zone camera	\$4,400
Maxville Senior Center construction of a storage building	\$20,000
Mamie Agnes Jones Elementary School signage	\$27,000
Town of Baldwin fence	\$27,500
Total	\$173,025

Policy Impact Area: Baldwin improvements

Fiscal Impact: \$173,025 from Trail Ridge Landfill Mitigation funds

Analyst: Hampsey

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-83

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU; R

Date of Analysis: January 16, 2018

Type of Action: Ordinance Code Waiver

Bill Summary: The ordinance waives Sections 260.201 (License), 260.208 (Temporary Storage of Waste Tires), and 260.208 (Hours of Operation) of Part 2 (Licensing and Transporting Requirements; Revocation of License) of Chapter 260 (Disposal of Waste Tires), *Ordinance Code*, from March 16, 2018, through March 24, 2018, in support of the fifth annual Waste Tire and Snipe Sign Buyback event so as to allow Duval County residents to 1) transport more than eight (8) waste tires, 2) allow for the temporary storage of tires, 3) suspend the requirement that an individual be licensed in order to haul more than eight (8) waste tires, and 4) allow for transportation of waste tires outside of Monday through Saturday 7:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.; it provides for City oversight by the Solid Waste Division of the Department of Public Works.

Background Information: This legislation waives certain portions of Ordinance Code Chapter 260, Part 2 that governs waste tire transporters and generators in Duval County that will allow Duval County residents the opportunity to participate in the event to earn reward money for the collection of waste tires and snipe signs from the City's right-of-ways and public properties where these materials are either illegally placed or dumped, and from private properties where these materials may end up being dumped on public properties. The waiver would cover the time frame from March 16, 2018 to the event on March 24, 2018 at Lot J. Everbank Field from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. and allow residents to haul tires without a license from the City, allow for the temporary storage of tires and allow the transport of tires after hours.

Policy Impact: Department of Public Works/Solid Waste Division

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-84

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

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2018

Type of Action: Authorizing franchise agreement; designating oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes execution of a franchise agreement between the City and Amerigas Propane, L.P. to allow Amerigas to locate a natural gas distribution system in the City's rights-of-way to serve retail customers. The Planning and Development Department's Development Services Division is designated as the City's oversight agency.

Background Information: The non-exclusive franchise agreement is for a term through December 31, 2020, and is renewable for an unlimited number of 2-year periods thereafter, or for a longer term if approved by City Council. The company will pay the City a franchise fee equal to 5% of gross revenues from gas sales (as defined in the agreement and interpreted by the Florida Public Service Commission) within the city of Jacksonville. The franchise agreement requires the company to comply with the applicable provisions of Ordinance Code Chapter 711 – City Rights-of-Way. The City reserves the right to terminate the agreement for failure to comply with its terms or with the requirements of Chapter 711, following service of written notice and holding of a public hearing.

Policy Impact Area: Use of public rights-of-way

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined, depending on the number of customers served and gross revenues generated.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-85

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: NCS; F

Date of Analysis:

Type of Action: Approval & Authorization of Outlease

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver Outlease No. 101-ORP-2017-09-3 between the United States of America, by and through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (Lessor), and the City of Jacksonville (Lessee), said lease for a term of ten (10) years, from July 29, 2018, through July 28, 2028, with no option to renew, for the 18.96 acre model aircraft flying field and the 3.21 acre ball park at Lannie Road Park at no charge. It provides for oversight by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services.

Background Information: The City of Jacksonville's Lease No. 41F-MSN-11-02-7 with the U.S Government, Veterans Administration (VA), for the use of an 18.96 acre model aircraft flying field and 3.2 acre ball park at Lannie Road expires July 29, 2018. The VA has proposed a new 10 year lease, Outlease No. 101-ORP-2017-09-13, with no option to renew. The unsigned, proposed lease starts July 29, 2018 and expires July 28, 2028. The proposed lease has been reviewed by the Real Estate Division and Office of General Counsel. If the new lease is executed, the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department plans to continue operation of the model aircraft flying field and ball park until the agreement expires in 2028 or until the VA terminates the lease to expand the adjacent National Cemetery.

Policy Impact: Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-86

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Crescimbeni

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2018

Type of Action: Amendment to prior ordinance; moratorium extension

Bill Summary: The bill amends several previous ordinances for the purpose of extending the temporary moratorium on the collection of payments on vehicle-for-hire medallion renewals and late fees thereon for late renewal for 6 months until September 22, 2018. The Office of Public Parking shall notify the Jacksonville International Airport with a copy to the Executive Director of the Jacksonville Aviation Authority and the Beaches police chiefs of the extension of the 180 day moratorium.

Background Information: Ordinance 2015-835-E, enacted on December 8, 2015, established a temporary moratorium (90 days) on medallion renewals and late fees for medallion renewals pertaining to vehicles for hire, pursuant to Section 220.217, Ordinance Code. This is the seventh time the moratorium has been extended, in part because legislation was pending the state legislature with regard to uniform regulation of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) such as Uber and Lyft. The 2017 Florida Legislature, after several years of failed attempts, adopted statewide regulatory standards for TNCs, which may change how the City wishes to deal with other vehicles for hire such as taxis in its local regulations. The medallion renewal fee moratorium will give the Council time to consider potential changes to the City's vehicle for hire regulatory system.

Policy Impact Area: Vehicle for hire medallion renewals

Fiscal Impact: Revenue loss from medallion renewals payments and late fees; when the moratorium was enacted in December 2015 there were 1,146 vehicle-for-hire medallions renewable at a cost of \$100 per year; the late renewal fee is \$10 per month after the deadline.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-88

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

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

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

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2018

Type of Action: Authorizing public facility naming

Bill Summary: The bill grants the City's permission for the Jacksonville Jaguars and Bold Events, LLC (formerly known as American Thunder, LLC) to name the Covered Flex Field south of EverBank Field as "Dream Finders Homes Flex Field at Daily's Place" for a maximum term of 6 years through March 31, 2024.

Background Information: Ordinance 2015-781-E approved an Amendment 14 to the City's lease with the Jacksonville Jaguars for EverBank Field to provide for the construction of an amphitheater and "covered flex field" (indoor practice facility) outside the stadium, with project costs to be shared by the two parties up to a maximum City contribution of \$45 million. The bill also approved separate development, operation, management and lease agreements between the City and the Jaguars for construction and operation of the covered flex field and between the City and Bold Events LLC (an affiliate of the Jaguars) under which the company would build and manage the facilities on behalf of the City. The lease for the Covered Flex Field granted to Bold Events the right to name the facility with City Council approval. The City Council previously approved the naming of both the amphitheater and the covered flex field as "Daily's Place" via Ordinance 2016-740-E; this bill approves a sub-naming of a portion of the larger complex.

Policy Impact Area: Public facility naming

Fiscal Impact: None to City; all naming rights revenues accrue to the Jaguars/Bold Events.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-89

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Becton

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: February 14, 2018

Type of Action: Approval and authorization of a naming rights agreement

Bill Summary: This bill authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, and the Corporation Secretary to execute an agreement between the City of Jacksonville and Perimeter Realty, Inc.; and provides oversight by the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department.

Background Information: The 9A/Baymeadows Regional Park is situated between Baymeadows Road East and State Road 9A (now I-295) in southeast Jacksonville in District 11. Perimeter Realty, a property management subsidiary of Fort Family Investments, a company begun in 1972 by Donald Fort. Fort Family Investments owns and manages 225,000 square feet of commercial properties while focusing on apartment development, primarily in South Jacksonville and one in Jacksonville Beach. The Fort Family desires to continue investing in the community. Thus, this agreement will provide Perimeter Realty the naming rights of the regional park and allow renaming the park to "Fort Family Regional Park at Baymeadows". The City will retain ownership and operation of the park. Perimeter Realty will provide an annual contribution of \$100,000 for up to ten (10) years, with an option to renew for an additional five (5) year period. The contribution will be used for capital improvements to enhance the park in coming years.

Policy Impact Area: Parks, Recreation, & Community Services Department, Regional Parks

Fiscal Impact: Private contribution of \$100,000 per year for up to 10 years for park capital improvements

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2018-97

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 8, 2018

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Antoinette D. Meskel, as a member of the Jacksonville Small and Emerging Business "JSEB" Monitoring Committee, replacing David C. Moorefield, as a JSEB Contractor, for a partial term ending April 30, 2019.

Background Information: The JSEB Monitoring Committee is established pursuant to Section 126.606, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to review the status of the goals of the Jacksonville Small Emerging Businesses Program, along with a comparison of the achievements under the Program compared with the goals. Four of the members of the JSEB Monitoring Committee are appointed by the City Council, including a JSEB Contractor.

Ms. Meskel received a master's degree in business administration from the University of North Florida and is a Florida Licensed Professional Engineer. She is the Owner/Principal Engineer for *Meskel & Associates Engineering, LLC*. Ms. Meskel has served on a number of community organizations including the JAX Chamber and the Consulting Engineers Legislative Council for the Florida Engineering Society. She resides in Council District #11.

Policy Impact Area: JSEB Monitoring Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2018-98

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 8, 2018

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Nina Sickler, as a member of the Jacksonville Small and Emerging Business "JSEB" Monitoring Committee, filling the seat formerly held by Andrew E. Harold, Jr., as a Non-JSEB Contractor, for a partial term ending April 30, 2019.

Background Information: The JSEB Monitoring Committee is established pursuant to Section 126.606, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to review the status of the goals of the Jacksonville Small Emerging Businesses Program, along with a comparison of the achievements under the Program compared with the goals. Four of the members of the JSEB Monitoring Committee are appointed by the City Council, including a Non-JSEB Contractor.

Ms. Sickler received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology and is a Florida Licensed Professional Engineer. She is the Vice President for *Pond and Company*. Ms. Sickler has served on a number of community organizations including the JTA DBE Mentoring Program and the DBE Committee for the American Council of Engineering Companies. She resides in Council District #1.

Policy Impact Area: JSEB Monitoring Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2018-99

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 8, 2018

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the appointment of Jonathan A. McGowan as a member of the Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission, filling the seat formally held by Barbara B. Finke, for a partial term ending June 30, 2018.

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 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; recommendations that will help make Jacksonville the most fairly-taxed and financially-sound city in the nation; recommendations to keep the public better informed about important issues of city financing and budgeting which affect their lives; and other areas as the Commission may determine are appropriate and within their scope.

Section 57.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the TRUE Commission shall be residents of the City and six of the members shall be appointed by the President of the Council and confirmed by the Council.

Mr. McGowan received a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Florida is the President of *Soft Sand Consulting* and the *Shooting & Outdoor Convention*. He has served on a number of community organizations including the Duval County Election Advisory Panel and the Jacksonville Regional Chamber of Commerce. He resides within Council District #13.

Policy Impact Area: TRUE Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2018-100

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 8, 2018

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Pegine Echevarria, as a member of the Jacksonville Small and Emerging Business "JSEB" Monitoring Committee, as a private citizen, for an initial term ending April 30, 2020.

Background Information: The JSEB Monitoring Committee is established pursuant to Section 126.606, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to review the status of the goals of the Jacksonville Small Emerging Businesses Program, along with a comparison of the achievements under the Program compared with the goals. Four of the members of the JSEB Monitoring Committee are appointed by the City Council, including a private citizen.

Ms. Echevarria received a master's degree in social work from Adelphi University and is the CEO/Lead Consultant for *Team Pegine*. She has served on a number of community organizations including the Jacksonville Women's Business Center Advisory Board and was Board Director of the National Speakers Association. She resides in Council District #4.

Policy Impact Area: JSEB Monitoring Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2018- 101

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Introduced by Council Member Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: F, R

Date of Analysis: February 13, 2018

Type of Action: Expression of City Council intent

Bill Summary: The resolution expresses the City Council's intent that the proceeds from a potential future sale of the JEA should be deposited into a restricted account requiring a super majority for appropriation.

Background Information: The JEA Board and the Mayor have begun to explore the possibility of privatization of the publicly owned utility and are undertaking a valuation of JEA to consider financial benefits that might come from privatizing. Any proceeds from the sale of JEA shall be deposited into a restricted reserve account. The appropriation of the sale's proceeds shall require approval by two-thirds of all Council Members.

Policy Impact Area: JEA privatization

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Hampsey

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2018-102

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Brosche, K. Brown, R. Brown, Dennis, Gaffney and Newby

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2018

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2018

Type of Action: Creation of task force

Bill Summary: The bill creates a Task Force on Civil Rights History to review and recommend ways to recognize, explain and publicize Jacksonville's role in the U.S. civil rights movement for local citizens and for visitors to the area.

Background Information: The bill's preamble notes that Jacksonville has been the home to several major figures in African-American history and the civil rights movement (e.g. James Weldon and John Rosamond Johnson and A. Philip Randolph), but has little in the way of recognition or interpretation of those persons and the events with which they were connected except a few historical markers. The Task Force is charged with reviewing the important persons, places and events in Jacksonville's civil rights history and suggesting ways that they can be better memorialized and publicized. The Task Force will consist of 26 members, co-chaired by former City Council member and current School Board member Warren Jones and Ju'Coby Pittman, President/CEO of the Clara White Mission. The deadline for the Task Force to make its report is June 30, 2018.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville history

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Clements