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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-120

Sponsor: Public Health and Safety Committee:

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R; PHS

Date of Analysis: March 1, 2013

Type of Action: CON Issuance; Ordinance Code Amendment

Bill Summary: The ordinance concerns emergency medical transportation by air ambulance; declares that public convenience and necessity require the issuance of a Certificate for Emergency Medical Transportation Service, advanced life support, pursuant to Med-Trans Corporation d/b/a TraumaOne; authorizes the Director of the Fire and Rescue Department, or designee, to issue said certificate; the ordinance amends the procedures set forth in Section 158.205 (Grant of Certificate), Part 2 (Emergency Medical Transportation Services), Chapter 158 (emergency and Nonemergency Medical Transportation Services), *Ordinance Code*, regarding procedure for review of said certificate.

Background Information: The ordinance concerns TraumaOne (air ambulance) service at Shands Jacksonville. Rocky Mountain Holdings d/b/a TraumaOne has provided emergency medical air ambulance service at Shands through a Certificate of Necessity that was issued by the City of Jacksonville in 2000. In January 2013, Rocky Mountain Holdings assigned its contractual rights for air ambulance service to Med-Trans Corporation, d/b/a TraumaOne to allow the continuation of service at Shands for Jacksonville area residents. The *Ordinance Code* does not allow the transfer of a CON without the submission of a new application. The Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Director has reviewed the application, pursuant to Chapter 158 and recommends that the CON be issued. The Public Health & Safety Committee will review the application. The ordinance amends Section 158.205 to clarify procedures for the issuance of certificates for Emergency Medical Transportation Services.

Policy Impact: Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department/Emergency Medical Transportation Service

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-121

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Carter

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 780 – Property Tax – to implement an additional homestead exemption for low income senior citizens beginning January 1, 2014. The exemption, which applies to homesteaded property with a just value of less than \$250,000 owned for at least 25 years by a person age 65 or older who is determined to be “low income” pursuant to state law, is equal to the assessed value of the property.

Background Information: In 2012 Florida voters approved a new local option homestead exemption for low income seniors, with an effective date of July 1, 2013. The local option exemption may be adopted by a 2/3 vote of the governing body of the jurisdiction. State law (Sec. 196.075, Fl.Stat.) defines low income to be \$20,000 as of January 1, 2001, adjusted annually by the change in the average Consumer Price Index for the preceding year as issued by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Policy Impact Area: Property tax exemption

Fiscal Impact: The Property Appraiser’s office estimates that the cost of adopting the new exemption would be approximately \$455,000 in foregone property tax revenue in the first year of the exemption.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-132

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

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$158,463.87 in federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grant funds (\$137,794.67) and local matching funds (\$20,669.20) to the Supervisor of Elections' budget for printing and mailing of sample ballots to registered voters.

Background Information: Federal HAVA funds are distributed via state election offices to county governments based on their number of registered voters in the last Presidential primary election, and must be matched at a 15% rate by local governments. The funds may be used for voter education, poll worker training, standardizing election results reporting, other federally-approved election administration activities relating to military and overseas voters, or elections hardware or software purchases.

Policy Impact Area: Voter education

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$137,794.67 in federal grant funds and \$20,669.20 in local matching funds

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-133

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F; PHS

Date of Analysis: March 1, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; Subgrant Agreement Modification

Bill Summary: The ordinance concerns a continuation grant; the ordinance appropriates \$8,250 in federal funds from the Department of Homeland Security through the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management to supply Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members with FRS/GMRS radios so as to enhance communication during events and disaster, as initiated by B.T. 13-033; the ordinance approves, and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver, Modification #1 to Subgrant Agreement between the Division of Emergency Management and City of Jacksonville (City Contract #9041-55).

Background Information: The modification to City Contract #9041-55 is being requested to change the amount and a deliverable date from \$6,750 (previously appropriated) to \$15,000 and the term of the contract from April 30, 2013 to June 30, 2013. All other terms and conditions remain in effect.

Policy Impact: Jacksonville Fire & Rescue

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$8,250

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-134

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: PHS; F

Date of Analysis: March 1, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates, pursuant to Ordinance 2007-286-E, \$693,590.60 (\$528-279.72 from Nuisance Abatement Assessment, \$64,051.00 from Interest Sanitary Assessment, \$39,089.86 from Demolition Assessment, and \$52,170.02 from code Violation Fines) to the Nuisance Abatement Lien Special Revenue Fund to provide funding for Nuisance Abatement contracting to remove property code violations city-wide in compliance with Chapter 518, *Ordinance Code*, as initiated by B.T. 13-034; provides for the carryover of funds to Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Background Information: Ordinance 2007-286-E established a Nuisance Abatement Lien Special Revenue Fund. The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 of this ordinance is to provide funding for nuisance abatement/compliance of Chapter 518-Property Safety and Maintenance Code violations. The Nuisance Abatement Lien Special Revenue Fund supplements general fund revenue funding for nuisance abatement contractual services.

Policy Impact: Neighborhoods Department/Municipal Code Compliance Division

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$683,590.60

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-135

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: PHS; F

Date of Analysis: March 1, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The ordinance concerns a continuation grant; the ordinance appropriates \$17,255 from the Department of Homeland Security through the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management (a 2012 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) grant in the amount of \$9,755 and a 2012 Citizen Corps grant in the amount of \$7,500) to provide funding to (1) organize and equip Duval County citizens for Community Emergency Response Teams for the City of Jacksonville and (2) hire a part-time coordinator for the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and Citizen Corps Programs, as initiated by B.t. 13-035; the ordinance authorizes a position, as initiated by R. C. 13-082.

Background Information: The Community Emergency Response Team is the first responders who provide fire and medical services in the event of a major disaster; the concept is people relying on each other for help in order to meet immediate lifesaving and life sustaining needs. In the immediate aftermath of a disaster that has occurred without any warning, people volunteer spontaneously. CERT prepares citizens for this eventuality. The ordinance appropriates funds to hire a temporary Clerical Support Aide/III to coordinate the activities outlined in the contract agreement and organize and equip Duval County citizens for the Community Emergency Response Teams.

Policy Impact: Jacksonville Fire & Rescue

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates a continuation grant in the amount of \$17,255 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, with no local matching funds required.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-136

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: March 1, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; CIP Amendment; Request for Emergency Passage

Bill Summary: The ordinance transfers, pursuant to Ordinance 2011-438-E, \$1,400,000 from Public Buildings Facilities Capital Maintenance Fund to the project specific Main Library Water Intrusion and Stucco Repair Project in order to provide funding for needed repairs, contingency, testing and construction engineering services associated with the Main Library Water Intrusion and Stucco Repair Project, as initiated by B.T. 13-036; providing for a carryover of funds to fiscal year 2013-2014; the ordinance amends the 2012-2016 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program, approved by Ordinance 2012-434-E, to reduce funding for the project entitled "Facilities Capital Maintenance" and "Main Library – Water Intrusion & Repair"; **requests emergency passage.**

Background Information: The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 is to provide funding for needed repairs, contingency, testing, and construction engineering services associated with the Main Library Water Intrusion and Stucco Repair Project. The Facilities Capital Maintenance Fund is funded with Banking Fund borrowing and was budgeted at \$4 million for the current fiscal year. The current balance in the fund is approximately \$11 million. Pending Ordinances 2013-136, -137, -140 and -141 propose to spend a combined \$5,212,000 on various projects.

Nature of Emergency: The nature of the emergency is the need to complete improvements to the Main Library as soon as possible in order to limit potential impacts from further water intrusion and to address safety concerns associated with the skylights and stucco challenges.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Engineering

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$1,400,000

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-137

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: March 1, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; CIP Amendment; Request for Emergency Passage

Bill Summary: The ordinance transfers, pursuant to Ordinance 2001-438-E, \$700,000 from Public Buildings Facilities Capital Maintenance Fund to the Emergency Maintenance Fund in order to provide funding for needed water damage repairs, contingency, testing, and construction engineering services at the Emergency Operations Center and for the installation of three new air conditioning units in the electronics computer room, all as initiated by B. T. 13-037; provides for a carryover of funds to fiscal year 2013-2014; the ordinance amends the 2012-2016 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program, approved by Ordinance 2012-434-E, to reduce funding for the project entitled "Facilities Capital Maintenance" and to increase funding for the project entitled "Emergency Operations Center – Building Hardening"; requests emergency passage.

Background Information: The purpose of the appropriation is to provide funding for needed water damage repairs, contingency, testing, and construction engineering services at the Emergency Operations Center and for installation of three new air conditioning units in the electronics computer room. The Emergency Operations Center is located on North Julia Street. The Facilities Capital Maintenance Fund is funded with Banking Fund borrowing and was budgeted at \$4 million for the current fiscal year. The current balance in the fund is approximately \$11 million. Pending Ordinances 2013-136, -137, -140 and -141 propose to spend a combined \$5,212,000 on various projects. *Emergency passage is requested because the Emergency Operations Center roof and water damage repairs portion of this request is partially funded with a grant from the Department of Economic Opportunity, Community Development Block Grant for Disaster Recovery, which expires June 12, 2013. Expiration of this grant would potentially result in the loss of approximately \$625,000 in State funding.*

Policy Impact: Public Works/Engineering

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$700,000

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-138

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

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation, Ordinance Code waivers; authorization to execute research agreement

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates a total of \$163,012 from the Environmental Protection Fund in three allocations (March 2013, August 2013 and August 2014) to continue funding for a joint project by Jacksonville University and the University of North Florida to produce a comprehensive annual report on the health and state of the St. Johns River for three additional years. The bill waives provisions of Ordinance Code Section 111.755 (Environmental Protection Fund) and Section 360.602 (Environmental Regulation - Use of the Fund) to permit use of the fund for this non-specified purpose, and waives provisions of the City's Procurement Code to allow the project to be contracted directly to UNF without a competitive procurement process by specific direction of the City Council in the appropriation ordinance. The bill authorizes the Mayor to execute an agreement with the two universities for extension of the study.

Background Information: Funds were first appropriated from the Environmental Protection Fund for the State of the River study in November 2008 for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 reports and again in 2010 for the 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 years. The Environmental Protection Board has again recommended the use of the Environmental Protection Fund as an appropriate funding source because it produces a report that analyzes and highlights the condition and health of one of the City's most valuable natural resources, and makes the information readily available to the general public.

Policy Impact Area: Natural resource protection

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates a total of \$163,012 from the Environmental Protection Fund over three years.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-139

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

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCD

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation, CIP amendment, finding of detriment if CIP amendment is delayed; authorization to execute agreement

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$342,000 in FDOT grant funds to the Public Works Department for construction of Segment 3 of the Timucuan National Preserve Bicycle Route. The bill amends the 2012-16 Capital Improvement Program to increase the construction budget for the project and finds that it would be detrimental to delay the CIP amendment to the next budget cycle because the low bid for the project is only good for a limited time and the grant funding will be withdrawn by FDOT if the contract is not executed in a timely manner. The bill authorizes the administration to execute agreements and contracts associated with the grant.

Background Information: The Timucuan National Preserve Bicycle Route is a planned 12.6 mile paved bicycle/walking trail within the right-of-way of State Road A1A beginning at Hanna Park (A1A and Wonderwood Road) and extending northward to the northern end of Big Talbot Island at the Nassau Sound bridge. The route has been under construction for several years and bids have currently been received for Segment 3 of the project. The bids came in over budget, but the FDOT has offered a grant of \$342,000 to fill the funding gap and allow the contract be awarded and the segment completed. The expiration of this supplemental grant and the inability to fund the project without the additional funding is cited as the reason for the mid-year CIP amendment.

Policy Impact Area: Timucuan National Preserve capital improvement

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$342,000 in FDOT grant funds.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-140

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

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Fund transfer; CIP amendment; finding of detriment if CIP amendment is delayed

Bill Summary: The bill transfers \$2.1 million from the Public Works Department's Facilities Capital Maintenance fund to an expenditure account to fund re-roofing, water intrusion and HVAC repairs at the Medical Examiner's facility on North Jefferson Street near Shands Jacksonville Medical Center. The bill amends the 2012-16 Capital Improvement Program to authorize the project in the current fiscal year and finds that delaying the CIP amendment for the repairs would be detrimental to the public good because the condition of the Medical Examiner's building has deteriorated to an unacceptable level and is negatively impacting the office's operations.

Background Information: The Facilities Capital Maintenance Fund is funded with Banking Fund borrowing and was budgeted at \$4 million for the current fiscal year. The current balance in the fund is approximately \$11 million. Pending Ordinances 2013-136, -137, -140 and -141 propose to spend a combined \$5,212,000 on various projects.

Policy Impact Area: Public facilities capital repair

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$2.1 million from the Facilities Capital Maintenance fund

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-141

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

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Fund transfer; CIP amendment

Bill Summary: The bill transfers \$1,012,000 from the Public Works Department's Facilities Capital Maintenance fund to an expenditure account to fund re-roofing, water intrusion, HVAC repairs and drainage system repairs at the Beaches Branch Library on 3rd Street in Neptune Beach. The bill amends the 2012-16 Capital Improvement Program to authorize the project in the current fiscal year and finds that delaying the CIP amendment for the repairs would be detrimental to the public good because the roof and skylight of the library have deteriorated to an unacceptable level and water infiltration poses a threat to the library's materials and facility.

Background Information: The Facilities Capital Maintenance Fund is funded with Banking Fund borrowing and was budgeted at \$4 million for the current fiscal year. The current balance in the fund is approximately \$11 million. Pending Ordinances 2013-136, -137, -140 and -141 propose to spend a combined \$5,212,000 on various projects.

Policy Impact Area: Public facilities capital repair

Fiscal Impact: The bill transfers \$1,012,000 from the Public Works Department's Facilities Capital Maintenance fund.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-142

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

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Revision of voting precinct boundaries

Bill Summary: The bill approves the revision of the boundaries of the 4 voting precincts (1306, 1307, 1308 and 1312) in Atlantic Beach at the request of the City of Atlantic Beach.

Background Information: The revision of the voting precincts is requested by Atlantic Beach as a result of the 2010 U.S. Census so as to reapportion the districts to approximately equal populations as required by federal law. The City Council is required to approve all changes to voting precincts in its capacity as the successor to the Duval County Commission.

Policy Impact Area: Voting precinct revisions

Fiscal Impact: Some minimal costs incurred by the Supervisor of Elections to issue new voter registration cards to voters whose precinct changes.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-143

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: March 1, 2013

Type of Action: Acceptance Authorization

Bill Summary: The resolution accepts and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute all documents related to the acceptance, of, the Clark Road access improvements from Broward Road to Interstate 95 (Parcels 100 A & B, 101, 102, 103, and 800 A & B) in Council District 8 from the Florida Department of Transportation.

Background Information: Pursuant to Ordinance 2009-706-E, FDOT and the City entered into a memorandum of Agreement (MOA) whereby FDOT agreed to fund the design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction of the Clark road Access Improvements. In accordance with the MOA, and in conjunction with the Local Agency Program Agreement, the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) was solely responsible for the construction of all necessary improvements. The construction has been completed; the City of Jacksonville is required to "accept" said improvements by Resolution, as is required for all FDOT transfers.

Policy Impact: Public Works

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-144

Sponsor: Council President Bishop and at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Council President's and Mayor's joint appointment of James A. Campbell to the Jacksonville Journey Oversight Committee, replacing Steven Wallace for a first full four-year term ending December 31, 2016.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Journey Oversight Committee was initially established via Ordinance 2008-555-E and continued via Ordinance 2011-405-E. The Committee is charged to in concert with the City's grant making agencies, establish the short, intermediate, and long term, measurement and reporting systems for Jacksonville Journey funds; issue an annual community-wide report card on the progress of funded Jacksonville Journey programs; make annual recommendations on programs to be funded based on each program's prior year's performance; continue the data gathering and public policy innovation initiated by the Jacksonville Journey for further refinement and consideration of the program; and advocate for the investment of new public and private dollars as well as state and federal policy initiatives to ensure a safer city. The nine members of the committee are appointed jointly by the Council President and Mayor.

Mr. Campbell received a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Edward Waters College and is a Professor of Mathematics at Florida State College at Jacksonville. Mr. Campbell resides in the Regency area within Council District #1.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Journey Oversight Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-145

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Douglas Skiles as a member of the Art in Public Places Committee, replacing Chung Rutter as a Planning District #3 community representative, for an unexpired first term ending December 31, 2014.

Background Information: The Art in Public Places Committee is established pursuant to Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to choose art which is compatible with and which will enhance the architecture and general environment of the City; responsible for receiving, reviewing and acting on the recommendations of the Art Selection Panels; seek to ensure that at least 15% of the artists selected for purchase or commission will be resident(s) in the Greater Jacksonville area (Duval, St. Johns, Nassau, Clay and Baker Counties); will also encourage the selection of regional artists e.g. Florida and the Southeastern United States. Section 126.903, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the committee are appointed by the Mayor, with five of the members representing the community at large, each residing within a different planning district.

Mr. Skiles received a master's degree in engineering from the University of Florida and is a Florida licensed Professional Engineer. He owns *EnVision Design + Engineering, LLC* and resides in the Miramer area within Council District #5 (Planning District #3).

Policy Impact Area: Art in Public Places Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-146

Sponsor: Council President Bishop

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the appointment of John R. Campbell, to the Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission, filling the seat formerly held by Jason Fischer, for an unexpired term ending June 30, 2013, followed by a first full three-year term ending June 30, 2016.

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 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. Campbell received a law degree from the University of Florida and is a Senior Attorney with the *Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)*. He resides in the Murray Hill area within Council District #14.

Policy Impact Area: TRUE Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-147

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Joni A. Poitier as a member of the Civil Service Board, replacing Tommy Ruffin, for a first term ending June 30, 2015.

Background Information: The Civil Service Board is established pursuant to Article 17, *Jacksonville Charter*, and charged to periodically review the operation and effect of the personnel provisions of the charter, the classification plan, and the pay plan, and report their findings to the council and the mayor; hear and determine appeals initiated by employees who are charged with personnel violations; hear and determine complaints by employees and prospective employees concerning alleged violations of civil service rules or regulations with respect to hiring and promotion; hear and determine the grievance of persons covered by the civil service rules or the grievance of persons who may be entitled to be covered concerning any action taken which pertains to employment rights.

Section 17.02, *Jacksonville Charter*, provides that five of the members of the Civil Service Board shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to the confirmation by the City Council.

Ms. Poitier received a law degree from Vanderbilt University and is an Attorney with *Moseley Prichard Parrish Knight & Jones*. She resides in Duval County.

Policy Impact Area: Civil Service Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-148

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Michael D. Field as a member of the Art in Public Places Committee, replacing John Bunker as a Planning District #4 community representative, for a first full three-year term ending December 31, 2015.

Background Information: The Art in Public Places Committee is established pursuant to Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to choose art which is compatible with and which will enhance the architecture and general environment of the City; responsible for receiving, reviewing and acting on the recommendations of the Art Selection Panels; seek to ensure that at least 15% of the artists selected for purchase or commission are resident(s) in the Greater Jacksonville area (Duval, St. Johns, Nassau, Clay and Baker Counties); and also encourage the selection of regional artists e.g. Florida and the Southeastern United States.

Section 126.903, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the committee are appointed by the Mayor, with five of the members representing the community at large, each residing within a different planning district.

Mr. Field received a bachelor's degree in economics Florida State University and is a Credit Analyst with *PHH Corp.* He currently serves on the Keep Jacksonville Beautiful Commission. Mr. Field resides in the Fairfax area within Council District #14 (Planning District #4).

Policy Impact Area: Art in Public Places Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-149

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Brandon N. Choy as a member of the Art in Public Places Committee, representing the Cultural Council, for a first full three-year term ending December 31, 2015.

Background Information: The Art in Public Places Committee is established pursuant to Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to choose art which is compatible with and which will enhance the architecture and general environment of the City; receive, review and act on the recommendations of the Art Selection Panels; seek to ensure that at least 15% of the artists selected for purchase or commission are resident(s) in the Greater Jacksonville area (Duval, St. Johns, Nassau, Clay and Baker Counties); and also encourage the selection of regional artists (Florida and the Southeastern United States).

Section 126.903, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the 11 members of the committee are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council, with three of the members representing the Cultural Council Board.

Mr. Choy received a bachelor's degree in political science and economics from Washington University and is a Director-Commercial Business Unit Support with *ADT Security Services*. He has previously served on the Cultural Service Grant Committee. Mr. Choy resides in Jacksonville Beach within Council District #13.

Policy Impact Area: Art in Public Places Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-150

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Ben L. Thompson as a member of the Art in Public Places Committee, as an art professional, for a second three-year term ending December 31, 2015.

Background Information: The Art in Public Places Committee is established pursuant to Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to choose art which is compatible with and which will enhance the architecture and general environment of the City; receive, review and act on the recommendations of the Art Selection Panels; seek to ensure that at least 15% of the artists selected for purchase or commission are resident(s) in the Greater Jacksonville area (Duval, St. Johns, Nassau, Clay and Baker Counties); and also encourage the selection of regional artists (Florida and the Southeastern United States).

Section 126.903, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the committee are appointed by the Mayor, with three of the members representing the professions of architecture, interior design, landscape architecture, planning, art professional, or art historian.

Mr. Thompson received a master's degree in fine arts from the Massachusetts College of Art and is the Curator of *The Museum of Contemporary Art Jacksonville*. He resides in the Murray Hill area within Council District #14.

Policy Impact Area: Art in Public Places Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-154

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Boyer

Date of Introduction: February 26, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: February 28, 2013

Type of Action: Comprehensive Plan text amendment; Ordinance Code waiver

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the transmission to various state agencies of a proposed amendment the 2030 Comprehensive Plan's Transportation Element to make changes regarding the policy for regulating access of non-residential parcels with frontage on two or more roadways when more than one access point already exists on a roadway. The bill waives the provisions of Ordinance Code Sec. 650.404 – Planning and Development Department Review – to permit the proposed amendment to be transmitted to Tallahassee without the Planning and Development Department having first held an informational workshop on the proposal

Background Information: The sponsor drafted this amendment to address an issue raised in the recent Five Points Village land use change and rezoning process. The amendment would provide that the "right-turn-in-right-turn-out-only" requirement for the roadway with the higher classification or the greater traffic count could be waived if there already exists more than one full access point on roadway and at least one of the full access points is eliminated as part of the project. The amendment also changes the responsibility for reviewing the mandatory traffic study and granting the waiver from the City Traffic Engineer to the Planning and Development Department.

The waiver of the Planning Department informational workshop requirement is being requested because this proposed amendment is being sent to Tallahassee as part of the set of large scale Comp Plan amendments already being proposed to be transmitted to the various state agencies by Ordinances 2013-130 and -131. The time necessary to schedule and hold a workshop and then produce a written Planning Department report would delay the transmission of this additional proposed amendment to the state and would cause it to either be transmitted separately, with its own notice and advertisement costs, or it would not be considered in conjunction with the other amendments now pending and would have to wait until the next round of transmittals later in the year.

Policy Impact Area: Comprehensive Plan amendment

Fiscal Impact: Saves the cost of separate notice and advertisement for this amendment by allowing it to be folded into the other pending transmittals to Tallahassee.

Analyst: Clements