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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-454

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Budgetary transfer

Bill Summary: The bill transfers a total of \$2,683,767.64 between funds and accounts in the Information Technologies Division budget and SMG managed facilities budget to cover deficits in some funds with available resources in other funds.

Background Information: The bill transfers \$1,953,234.82 from the ITD Radio Communications 534 fund to the Information Technologies 531 fund; transfers \$511,640.59 from the SMG Baseball Grounds 4C1 fund to the Times-Union Performing Arts Center 4D1 fund; and transfers \$218,892.23 from the SMG Convention Center 4E1 fund to the Times-Union Performing Arts Center 4D1 fund. The funds being transferred are FY11-12 year-end fund balances that are being directly transferred to cover deficits within the same fund family rather than being swept into the General Fund year-end fund balance account and subsequently reallocated to accounts in deficit.

Policy Impact Area: Year-end budgetary fund balancing

Fiscal Impact: The bill transfers a total of \$2,683,767.64 in year end fund balances between funds and accounts in the Information Technologies Division budget and SMG managed facilities budget.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-455

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F; PHS

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; Agreement Approval

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$192,684 from the Duval County Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Trust Fund, Section 111.230, *Ordinance Code*, to assist River Region Human Services, Inc. with the costs of renovations to its facility at 2981 Parental Home Road, as initiated by B.T. 13-075; it provides for a carryover of funds into Fiscal Year 2013-2014; the ordinance approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute an Agreement between the City and River Region Human Services, Inc.; invokes the exceptions of Section 126.107 (D) and (E) (Exemptions), *Ordinance Code*, which exempt certain supplies and services from competitive bidding.

Background Information: River Region Human Services, a facility that provides transitional housing to citizens of Duval County recovering from alcohol and other drug addictions, is in need of repairs and upgrades, including external roof repairs, air-conditioning units, kitchen upgrades, bedroom furniture improvements, and foyer modifications. Exemptions from competitive bidding is provided to non-profit services that provide persons with mental or physical disabilities and to non-profit corporations and prevention services related to mental health, including drug abuse prevention programs.

Policy Impact: Human Services

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$192,684

Analyst: Jackson

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Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: the bill appropriates \$2,841,006.69 to return self-insurance excess contributions for FY11-12 to the JEA (\$1,306,019.30), Water and Sewer Expansion Authority (\$1,149,061.97), Jacksonville Port Authority (\$221,583.03), and Jacksonville Aviation Authority ((\$164,342.39) in proportion to their contributions into the risk management fund and their loss experience for the year.

Background Information: The City self-insures itself and the independent authorities for liability through a program managed by the Risk Management Division. At the close of each fiscal year the fund is analyzed and agencies that contributed more than was required by their covered loss experience during the year are entitled to a rebate of the excess contributions. This bill appropriates those excess contributions back to the contributing agencies.

Policy Impact Area: Self-insurance

Fiscal Impact: The bill returns \$2,841,006.69 of self-insurance excess contributions for FY11-12 to the contributing agencies.

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F; PHS

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$5,000 from the Share Our Strength No Kid Hungry Project to support the Jacksonville Children's Commission's Summer Lunch Program's efforts to launch a mobile feeding site to reach unserved and underserved areas of Duval County, as initiated by B.T. 13-080.

Background Information: The Commission's Summer Food Service Program provides nutritious lunches and snacks to children 18 years and younger during the summer when school is out. Free meals meet the Federal nutritional guidelines and are provided to all children at approved Summer Breakspot sites in areas with significant concentration of low income children. 50% or more of the children in the site areas must qualify for free or reduced lunch during the school year. The program has been around for 19 years. The service sites include faith-based institutions, public libraries, non-public schools, apartment complexes, early learning centers, city parks and summer camps.

Policy Impact: Jacksonville Children's Commission

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$5,000.00.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-458

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: CON Issuance

Bill Summary: The ordinance grants the application of Aetna Recycling, Inc. for an initial Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CON) for the operation of the Aetna Recycling Yard Trash Processing Facility (the "Facility") at 8050 Old Kings Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32219. The site is located in Council District 8. Issuance of the certificate is conditioned on the firm's acceptance and compliance with Specific Operating Conditions.

Background Information: Based on what it has determined to be a need for this facility, the Solid Waste Division of the Department of Public Works supports approval of the application for the initial certificate. Provided that the applicant agrees to accept and comply with operating conditions that include: the facility can only accept and process yard trash as defined by the Ordinance Code; must post a prominent sign at check-in location requiring all haulers to identify materials transported to the facility from outside Duval County; personnel training; trained spotters at the facility's tipping area are to ensure that "Unacceptable Waste" is not processed, such as hazardous waste, sludge, hazardous regulated substances; monthly Waste Analysis Reports have to be submitted; the facility agrees to hold the City harmless from any liability related to all work performed at the facility; the facility must obtain an air pollution construction permit; potable water supply for the facility is to be supplied by bottled water; wastewater and sewage disposal/treatment must comply with all applicable rules and guidelines established by the Duval County Health Department; scales must be certified; noise pollution has to be controlled; facility must be in compliance with soil erosion and sediment control regulations; facility is responsible for the removal of litter within 100 yards of the facility's entrance; the facility must not cause or contribute to an odor nuisance.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Solid Waste Division

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-459

Sponsor: The Transportation, Energy & Utilities Department:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Street Renaming

Bill Summary: This is an ordinance regarding Chapter 745 (Addressing and Street Naming Regulations), *Ordinance Code*; renaming Broad Street which extends from Water Street to 5th Street West in Council Districts 4, 7, and 9 to "Broad Street North"; the ordinance directs the Legislative Services Division to forward this ordinance to the Planning and Development Department.

Background Information: There are currently three streets in Jacksonville that share the same street name of "Broad Street." Duplicate street names, along with an overlapping of address ranges, cause the 911 and Jacksonville Fire and Rescue's Computer Aided Dispatch system to eliminate valid road segments. Any attempt to locate a property from an incorrect road segment may cause confusion and create a delay in emergency response. Due to the duplicate street names, the Broad Street downtown which extends from Water Street to 5th Street West is changed to include a "North" designation. On January 31, 2013 the 911 Emergency Addressing Advisory Committee determined and recommended the change; the street name change affects the street addresses of 19 parcels including 12 commercial buildings, 9 businesses and 2 housing apartment buildings. The Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission has determined that there was no historical impact in changing the name of the street.

Policy Impact: Planning & Development Department/911 Emergency Addressing Advisory Committee

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-460

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Adoption of proposed ad valorem millage rate; advising Property Appraiser of rolled back millage rate; setting public hearing dates for millage levy and City budget; requesting emergency passage

Bill Summary: The bill publishes the “rolled back millage rates” for tax year 2013, based on certified taxable values provided by the Property Appraiser, as follows:

General Services District (GSD - countywide), excluding Urban Services Districts 2 – 5: 10.2107 mills
GSD within USD 2 (Jax Beach), USD 3 (Atlantic Beach), and USD 4 (Neptune Beach): 6.7461 mills
GSD within USD 5 (Baldwin): 8.5559 mills

The bill proposes the following millage rates to fund the Mayor’s proposed FY 2013-14 budget:

General Services District (GSD), excluding Urban Services Districts 2 – 5: 10.0353 mills
GSD within USD 2 (Jax Beach), USD 3 (Atlantic Beach), and USD 4 (Neptune Beach): 6.7446 mills
GSD within USD 5 (Baldwin): 8.4472 mills

Finally, the bill sets the required public hearing on the proposed millage rate and tentative budget for the Council meeting of September 10 and requests emergency adoption of the resolution.

The bill is requested for emergency passage on first reading in order to meet the state mandated deadline of August 4 to report a proposed millage rate to the Property Appraiser for mailed notification to all property owners.

Background Information: Florida law requires that the City annually publish the “rolled back millage rate” (this year actually a rolled-up rate), which is the millage rate that would be required to be levied on this year’s (lower) property valuations to produce the same amount of ad valorem tax revenue produced by last year’s millage rate. The county millage rates for the current year as follows: GSD (outside USDs 2-5) – 10.0353; GSD in USDs 2-4 – 6.7446; GSD in USD 5 – 8.4472. The Property Appraiser’s preliminary (end of June) taxable value roll for 2013 is \$47,673,605,441, down 1.3% from \$48,273,754,426 in June of 2012.

Policy Impact Area: Property tax millage levy

Fiscal Impact: Provides for the levy of ad valorem property taxes calculated to produce \$443,208,461 in revenue.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-461

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Levy of real and personal property taxes in General Services District, excluding the Beaches and Baldwin; authorizing assessment and collection of taxes

Bill Summary: The bill levies ad valorem taxes on real and personal property for the 2013 tax year for GSD operations (excluding the Beaches and Baldwin) at a rate of 10.0353 mills, which represents a 1.72% decrease from the 2013 rolled back rate, and authorizes the assessment and collection of the taxes.

Background Information: The total preliminary adjusted taxable value of real and personal property in the GSD, excluding the Beaches and Baldwin, is \$43,298,648,655 for tax year 2013 (down 0.7% from 2012's preliminary taxable value of \$43,635,504,148). The millage for GSD operations in the majority of the city represents an unchanged millage rate from 2012.

Policy Impact Area: Property tax millage levy

Fiscal Impact: Total ad valorem property taxes (real and personal) are projected to generate \$443,208,461 for the City General Fund at a collection rate of 95.5%.

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Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Levy of City of Jacksonville real and personal property taxes in USD 2-4 (the Beaches cities); authorizing assessment and collection of taxes

Bill Summary: The bill levies ad valorem taxes on real and personal property for the 2013 tax year for GSD operations in Atlantic Beach, Neptune Beach and Jacksonville Beach at a rate of 6.7446 mills, which represents a 0.02% decrease from the 2013 rolled back rate, and authorizes the assessment and collection of the taxes.

Background Information: The total assessed value of taxable real and personal property in the Beaches cities is \$4,333,627,381 for tax year 2013 (up 1.1 % from \$4,283,155,884 for tax year 2012). The millage for GSD operations in the Beaches cities represents an unchanged rate from tax year 2012.

Policy Impact Area: Property tax millage levy

Fiscal Impact: Total ad valorem property taxes (real and personal) are projected to generate \$443,208,461 for the City General Fund at a collection rate of 95.5%.

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Levy of City of Jacksonville real and personal property taxes in USD 5 (Town of Baldwin); authorizing assessment and collection of taxes

Bill Summary: The bill levies ad valorem taxes on real and personal property for the 2013 tax year for GSD operations in the Town of Baldwin at a rate of 8.4472 mills, which represents a 1.27% decrease from the 2013 rolled back rate, and authorizes the assessment and collection of the taxes.

Background Information: The total preliminary adjusted taxable value of real and personal property in the Town of Baldwin is \$41,329,405 for tax year 2013 (down fractionally from \$41,339,870 from 2012). The millage for GSD operations in the Town of Baldwin represents an unchanged rate from tax year 2012.

Policy Impact Area: Property tax millage levy

Fiscal Impact: Total ad valorem property taxes (real and personal) are projected to generate \$443,208,461 for the City General Fund at a collection rate of 95.5%.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-464

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Adoption of FY2013-14 city budget; approval of independent authority budgets; provision for capital projects; 5-year revenue and expenditure projections; setting pension contributions; Ordinance Code waivers.

Bill Summary: The bill adopts the 2013-14 budgets for the City and its independent agencies and authorities. The proposed General Fund GSD departmental expenditure budget is \$867,058,982, with a total City departmental expenditure budget (General Fund, Special Revenue, Capital Projects, Enterprise, Internal Service, Trust and Agency Funds, and Other Component Units) of \$1,513,226,186. Non-departmental expenditures, inter-fund transfers and reserves are budgeted at \$338,473,450 for total appropriations, reserves and cash carryover of \$1,851,699,636.

The bill sets an employee cap of 6,977 positions with 0 redlined positions to be eliminated when they become vacant. The 5-year financial projection estimates the City's General Fund revenues to increase from \$952,906,887 million (proposed) in FY13-14 to \$1,007,429,261 in FY17-18, with property taxes projected to resume moderate growth in FY16 and beyond and the JEA contribution, state shared revenues and sales taxes providing the bulk of the growth. It establishes a Public Service Grant program allocating \$5,140,211. The bill sets the employer's contributions (percentage of covered payroll) to the various pension plans at 27.91% for the General Employees' Pension Fund, 110.85% for the Police and Fire Pension Fund, and 49.93% for the Corrections Officer's Pension Fund.

The bill waives provisions of Ordinance Code that require the City to increase funding for the Jacksonville Children's Commission each year by an amount equal to the average percentage increase in all City operating department budgets, up to the value of ½ mill and waives the Ordinance Code requirement that the Mayor annually calculate and report unit cost measures and service quality measures for City government operations. Additionally the bill waives certain provisions of the Procurement Code for the purpose of allowing SMG to utilize its own competitive procurement process rather than the City's process for the purpose of capital expenditures of \$100,000 or less and for non-capital extraordinary repair and maintenance projects of \$500,000 or less. The bill waives the Code with regard to the method for setting the salaries of City Council members so as to keep the base salaries for council members the same in FY13-14 as in FY12-13. Conflicting provisions within Code Section 10.105 regarding Council members' postage and communication expenses are waived so as to reduce the communication expense allowance to the lower of the conflicting provisions. The bill waives the City's debt management parameters to allow borrowing to exceed certain debt ratios, waives the prescribed calculation method for the service charge on solid waste collection by the City in the downtown area to permit a higher rate to be charged, and waives the Code requirement that vehicle replacement be done on a cash basis. The bill waives the restriction that the Banking Fund may not be used to purchase items with a unit value of less than

\$50,000 in order to permit the fund to be used for the purchase of fleet vehicles, and waives the requirement that the Jacksonville Small and Emerging Business and Minority Business Enterprise program must be funded at a minimum of \$500,000 per year.

Background Information:

Policy Impact Area: Annual budget adoption

Fiscal Impact: The proposed General Fund departmental expenditure budget is \$867,058,982, with a total City departmental expenditure budget (General, Special Revenue, Capital Projects, Enterprise, Internal Service, and Trust and Agency Funds) of \$1,513,226,186. The total budgetary approval, operations and capital, for the City and the independent authorities, is approximately \$4.44 billion, excluding the Duval County Public Schools, the budget for which is not approved by City Council.

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Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Adoption of annual Capital Improvement Program; amendment to Comprehensive Plan; Ordinance Code waiver

Bill Summary: The bill adopts the 2014-18 Capital Improvement Program and provides that no funds may be expended for any generally described line item project within the CIP that does not contain specific reference to precise locations of work, narrowly defined project costs or narrowly defined work descriptions until such project is defined and approved by City Council via a CIP amendment and specific appropriation. The bill also authorizes amendment of the Capital Improvements Element of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan to reflect the updated CIP project list. The bill waives the provision of the Ordinance Code which specifically excludes "routine roadway resurfacing" from the definition of "capital improvement" in order to allow road resurfacing to be funded from interest earnings. The bill requires that the Council Auditor's Office and the Finance Department to meet and finalize a list of Capital Improvement Projects Not Lapsed for transmittal to the Finance Committee at its meeting on December 3, 2013 for subsequent adoption by Council legislation.

Background Information: The bill approves a City non-stormwater project listing of 17 projects to be constructed/purchased in FY13-14 at a total cost of \$11,088,940, the largest allocations being \$ 6.5 million for environmental compliance countywide and \$2.75 million for ADA accessibility projects in City buildings and parks. \$9.25 million of the total amount (83.4%) is to be financed via Banking Fund borrowing. A list of 10 projects by the stormwater utility in Public Works totals \$11,179,348, of which \$3,591,000 will be funded by Banking Fund borrowing and \$7,588,348 by pay-as-you-go allocations from the stormwater fee. One solid waste project (vehicle conversion to compressed natural gas) at a cost of \$5,406,000 will be funded by Banking Fund borrowing, and one tax increment district project (Duval Road expansion) at a cost of \$3,308,186 will be funded on a pay-as-you-go basis from the JIA CRA tax increment fund.

The total FY13-14 project cost for all City and independent agency capital projects (JAA, JEA, JPA, JTA, and School Board) is \$. The City's total 5-year capital project list (stormwater and non-stormwater) is estimated at \$347,303,314 (excluding the independent authorities).

Policy Impact Area: Capital improvement budgeting

Fiscal Impact: The City's project cost for FY13-14 (stormwater and non-stormwater projects) is \$30,731,714.

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Annual Banking Fund authorization

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes Banking Fund borrowing in an amount necessary to provide \$11,763,695 in net project funds to apply to capital projects for FY13-14. That amount is accomplished by authorizing \$23,518,928 in new projects, offset by \$11,755,233 in removal or de-authorization of previously approved projects. The Banking Fund borrowing cap is set at \$561,875,773 in net project funds (comprised of \$618,140,113 in cumulative new project authorizations offset by \$56,264,340 in completed or de-authorized projects).

Background Information: The Banking Fund is the primary source of borrowing for the City's capital improvement projects. The largest Banking Fund allocations for FY13-14 are for ash site remediation (\$6,500,000 repayable from the General Fund), ADA compliance remedies in public buildings and parks (2,750,000 repayable from the General Fund) Old Plank Road Outfall drainage project (\$2,000,000, repayable from the stormwater utility enterprise fund) and conversion of the Solid Waste Division's truck fleet to compressed natural gas (\$5,406,000 repayable from the solid waste enterprise fund).

Policy Impact Area: Capital project funding

Fiscal Impact: The bill authorizes \$23,518,928 in new projects, offset by \$11,755,233 in removal or de-authorization of previously approved projects for net new project funding of \$11,763,695.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-467

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 106 – Budget and Accounting Code – to create a new section providing that the Mayor shall submit an IT System Development Capital Program Budget to the City Council each year in conjunction with the annual budget to list the major technology initiative projects planned for the next 5 years and the proposed funding source for the upcoming fiscal year's projects. The bill adopts the first 5-year technology plan for FY14-18 and directs that a sufficient appropriation shall be included in the FY13-14 budget ordinance to fund the first year's enterprise solutions projects.

Background Information: The bill's preamble states that the Information Technology Division is anticipating a number of very important and potentially expensive technology replacement/refreshment/improvement projects over the next few years that will substantially improve internal operational efficiencies and improve the ability of citizens to quickly and easily access City services from their homes and offices without having to make trips to City offices for face-to-face transactions. The intent of this new IT capital program budget is to ensure that sufficient funding is programmed and committed in the annual budget over the course of 5 years to ensure the completion of these multi-year initiatives. The initial 5-year plan includes 22 projects ranging in cost from \$14,310 (solid waste collection system enhancements) to \$12.5 million (new enterprise financial/resource management system – FAMIS replacement)

Policy Impact Area: Information technology improvements and funding

Fiscal Impact: The total estimated cost of the 5-year plan is \$30,725,804, with \$27,893,093 being borrowed funds and 2,832,711 being pay-as-you-go funding.

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-477

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU; F

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Agreement Approval and Authorization

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute, on behalf of the City, the Construction & Maintenance Agreement between the City of Jacksonville (the "City") and the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") for the construction of improvements at the intersection of Pritchard Road and Sportsman Club Road, in Council District 8.

Background Information: The project consists of improvements to the northeast quadrant of Pritchard Road and Sportsman Club Road. The FDOT project falls within the City of Jacksonville right-of-way and is meant to improve both safety and access for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic. The project also proposes to improve pedestrian safety by connecting the Pritchard Road & Sportsman Club sidewalks and relocating the sidewalk as close to the existing right of way as possible. The project also involves minor utility work consisting of the relocation of a light pole and vertical adjustments to valves, manholes, and fire hydrants in order to match the proposed grade.

Policy Impact: Public Works Department/Florida Department of Transportation

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-478

Sponsor: Council Member Gaffney:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Surplus Declaration for Conveyance; Ordinance Code Waiver

Bill Summary: The ordinance declares that certain parcel of Real Property (R.E. Number 11413-0000) located at 2123 Phoenix Avenue, in Council District 7, to be surplus to the needs of the City; it authorizes its sale, and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute documents necessary for such sale, in accordance with the provisions of Part 4, Chapter 122, *Ordinance Code*; the ordinance waives the provisions of Section 122.423 (Appraisal at or below \$25,000) of Chapter 122 (Public Property), *Ordinance Code*, for conveyance of said parcel of real property to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc. at no cost.

Background Information: The City of Jacksonville obtained this parcel in a tax deed sale for \$2,595.35; the City needed only 7.5 feet of the parcel for an easement for drainage. The City erected a fence that has since been removed. There have been numerous complaints about the lot, including claims of drug activity, trash, debris all of which contribute to blight. The neighboring property owner, Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc. is interested in acquiring the property; the church would erect a fence, maintain the property, provide the City with the 7.5 foot drainage easement; the church is committed to doing all of this in the hope of curbing illegal activity and eliminating potential blight that the lot is causing.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Real Estate

Fiscal Impact: Enactment of this ordinance would convey a City-owned parcel with an assessed value of \$2,892.00 to Christ the Living Cornerstone, Inc. at no cost; the church, in turn, would provide the City with a drainage easement valued at \$200.00.

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-479

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Right-of-Way Closure

Bill Summary: The ordinance closes, abandons and/or disclaims a 410 foot long portion of a 60 foot wide platted right-of-way (Summerall Road) in Summerall's Subdivision, establish via Plat Book 19, Page 64, dated September 20, 1946, in the public records of Duval County, in Council District 4, at the request of Ronnie G. Edge to enhance the security of his property, subject to reservation unto the City of Jacksonville and JEA of easements over the closed portion of the right-of-way for ingress and egress and for all utilities.

Background Information: The applicant is requesting the closure to enhance the security of his property, which is zoned commercial (CCG1). The portion of the right-of-way to be closed is a dead-end bordered on the northeast by Interstate 95 and is not used by anyone other than the applicant. The applicant owns all of the adjacent property on the southwest. The closure request was sent to various state, municipal, and utility agencies, as well as to adjacent property owners, and there were no objections.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Real Estate

Fiscal Impact: The applicant has paid a \$1,500.00 closure application processing fee.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-480

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Right of Way Closure

Bill Summary: The ordinance closes, abandons and/or disclaims a 430 foot long portion of a 60 foot wide platted, unopened, and unimproved right-of-way in Ortega Farms, established via Plat Book 16, Page 3, dated April 22, 1939, in the public records of Duval County, in Council District 14, at the request of Roland Boardman, John Ebreo, Bryant Ring, and Fred Snider to expand their residential property, subject to reservation unto the City of Jacksonville and JEA of easements over the closed portion of the right-of-way for ingress and egress and for all utilities.

Background Information: The applicants for the right-of-way closure are requesting the closure to expand their respective residential properties. The applicants own four of the six adjacent properties. The closure request was sent to various state, municipal, and utility agencies which might have an interest in the matter, as well as property owners who own the other two adjacent properties, and there were no objections.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Real Estate

Fiscal Impact: The applicants have paid a \$1,500.00 closure application processing fee.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-481

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: License Agreement Authorization and Approval; Ordinance Code Waiver

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute a License Agreement between the City of Jacksonville and the Humane Society of the United States, Inc. to utilize the old City Animal Shelter located at 2580 West 1st Street, Jacksonville; the ordinance waives Section 126.202 (Competitive Sealed Bid) of Part 2 (Supplies, Contractual Services and Capital Improvements) of Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), *Ordinance Code*.

Background Information: The Humane Society of the United States, Inc. often conducts investigations of dog fighting operations. When the law enforcement officials make the move to break-up the dog fighting operation, officials need to move the animals for safety and evidentiary reasons. When the Humane Society was involved in a dog fighting case previously, the University of Florida's Shelter Medicine Department suggested that HSUS approach the City of Jacksonville for possible use of the old shelter located on West 1st Street to house the animals. HSUS got the shelter back to better operating order, made repairs and paid utilities while they were there; they improved cages, fixed leaky plumbing and when they left, gave the City several thousand dollars' worth of medical supplies, crates and other equipment. Not only was HSUS a great tenant partner, but they also provided intelligence and confidential informants to JSO and the State Attorney that led to the arrest and prosecution of one of the top ranked dog fighters in the nation. This legislation would enable Animal Care & Control to lease the Old Animal Shelter to HSUS.

Policy Impact: Neighborhoods Department/Animal Care & Protective Services Division

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-482

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU; F

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Conveyance

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to deliver (1) a City deed conveying to the State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) a fee simple parcel, Parcel 107.1, (2) three Perpetual Easements granting FDOT perpetual easements in, over and under three parcels of real property, Parcels 800, 804, Part A, and 804 Part B, and (3) three temporary construction easements granting to FDOT temporary construction easements in, over and under three parcels of real property, Parcels 702, 703 Part A, and 703 Part B, all on or near I-295 between the Buckman Bridge and the I-295 and I-95 merger in Council District 6.

Background Information: The fee simple parcel and perpetual easements are for the purposes of constructing and maintaining a retention pond and storm water drainage system. The temporary construction easements are for the purposes of constructing a guardrail and sidewalk and for tying in and harmonizing the property.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Florida Department of Transportation

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-483

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Crescimbeni

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 30 – Planning and Development Department – in Part 6 – Building Inspection Division – to delete the requirement that the Chief of the Building Inspection Division must be a registered Professional Engineer in the state of Florida with at least 10 years of experience or the equivalent as an architect, engineer, inspector, contactor or superintendent of construction and must obtain a standard Building Official’s certification within one year of being hired for the position. The bill inserts new requirements that the Chief must possess a Standard Building Code Administrator’s license and have had at least five years of experience as a certified building contractor or certified general contractor, and shall have been employed by the building inspection component of a municipal government for at least one year.

Background Information: The City’s eligibility requirements for its chief building inspector were discussed by a council committee several years ago, with speakers indicating that Jacksonville was unique in Florida in requiring that its Chief Building Official must be both a registered engineer and a certified Building Code Administrator. Research at the time by the Council Research Division found that Jacksonville was fairly unique in its requirement to be a registered engineer to hold the position. Some jurisdictions only required that the official be a certified Building Code Administrator; others made the professional engineer registration one option among others for proving professional competence, including college degrees in engineering or construction management, or the holding of an architecture or contractor’s license, and/or years of experience.

Policy Impact Area: Chief Building Official qualifications

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-484

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Bishop

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill repeals Ordinance Code Section 106.200 – Tentative General Government Budget.

Background Information: The section, created in 2009, required the Mayor to submit to the City Council a tentative budget proposal for the general government by May 1st of each year showing anticipated revenues, expenditures and ad valorem tax rates for the upcoming fiscal year. The Council was required by June 30th to act on that tentative budget by means of a resolution providing guidance to the Mayor as to the Council's preferences for millage rates and expenditure levels for the coming year. The intent was to give the City Council the opportunity to have input into the Mayor's budget preparation process and express its preferences on ad valorem millage rates, desired expenditure amounts and programmatic priorities.

In practice the tentative budget process has proven somewhat problematic since the May 1st submission deadline means that the budget office is working with very tentative revenue projections, since items such as the expected amount of state shared revenues and ad valorem property tax revenues are not available, even as tentative projections, until later in the summer. In addition, by late June the Budget Office is in the final stages of completing the Mayor's actual budget proposal and input that late in the process is difficult to incorporate into a nearly complete document.

Policy Impact Area: Budgetary procedure

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-485

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 111 – Special Revenue and Trust Accounts – in Section 111.105 – Special Event and Activities Trust Funds – so as to increase the time limit after a special event within which the Special Events Office must deliver a complete accounting of the finances of such event to the Chief Financial Officer and the Council Auditor from 30 days to 60 days. The bill also amends Section 111.155 – Sports and Entertainment Board Trust Fund – to delete a provision regarding disbursements from the fund being made in compliance with Section 5 of the Sports and Entertainment Board’s rules and to add a 60 day financial reporting requirement to the CFO and Council Auditor following the completion of events for which Trust Fund monies were used.

Background Information: The City Council’s special committee examining the operation of the Navy-Marine Corps Carrier Classic basketball game held at Naval Station Mayport in November 2012 found that there do not appear to be current rules governing the use of the Sports and Entertainment Trust Fund, and believed that better reporting requirements should be implemented to ensure proper and timely accounting for and accountability for the use of the two special events funds.

Policy Impact Area: Special event accounting and reporting

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-486

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Boyer

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 656 – Zoning Code – in Part 13 – Sign Regulations – to remove the required 10 foot setback of temporary real estate signs from the right-of-way line, provided the signs are within the legal boundaries of the lot or are between the front lot line of a single family residential property and the edge of the roadway pavement. The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 741 – Zero Tolerance On Litter – to provide that real estate signs placed between the front property line of a single family residential lot and the pavement edge are not to be considered “litter” or “snipe signs” for purposes of the applicability of the Zero Tolerance On Litter regulations. The Zero Tolerance On Litter chapter is also amended to provide that the term “person” shall mean any individual, firm, sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association.

Background Information: The bill would permit real estate signs to be placed closer to the roadway for better visibility, and would permit the signs to be placed on the public right-of-way in the planting strip between the sidewalk and the curb or street edge without being subject to citation or confiscation as litter or snipe signs as defined in the City’s Zero Tolerance On Litter ordinance.

Policy Impact Area: Real estate sale facilitation

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-487

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Authorizing extension of City residency deadline; Ordinance Code waiver

Bill Summary: The bill grants a 6-month extension to the City's deadline for non-city residents to move into Jacksonville upon being hired by the City government to allow the recently-hired environmental attorney in the General Counsel's office additional time to sell her current home and relocate to Jacksonville. The bill waives the 6-month residency requirement in Ordinance Code Chapter 116 to permit the time extension.

Background Information: The Office of General Counsel hired an experienced environmental and land use attorney on April 1, 2013 to fill a vacancy with the expectation that she could sell her current home in Fleming Island in Clay County and relocate to Jacksonville within the required 6 months. Thus far she has been unable to sell the house and as the deadline nears the OGC faces the choice between requesting an extension of the residency deadline or terminating the attorney's appointment and reopening the search for a similarly qualified attorney, again leaving the City without the services of in-house environmental counsel.

Policy Impact Area: Employee residency requirement

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined. Reopening the search for a new attorney may incur new advertising costs, and the OGC may again need to hire outside counsel to fill the void until a new environmental counsel is hired. Terminating the employment of the existing attorney would result in salary and benefit savings until a new counsel is hired.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-488

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Yarborough

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Authorizing joint project agreement between City and School Board; appropriation; invocation of permitted exception to Procurement Code; approving reimbursement of costs

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the execution of a Joint Project Agreement between the City and the Duval County School Board for the construction of a new walking track and related improvements at Parkwood Heights Elementary School. The bill appropriates \$13,000 from the Council District 1 Autumn Bond Fund to the project and invokes the exception provided for in Section 126.107(g) of the Procurement Code to allow the Council to direct the award of construction management services for the project to the School Board and the Parkwood Heights PTA without a competitive bidding process.

Background Information: The City, the School Board and the principal of Parkwood Heights Elementary School have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding regarding general public use of a 3-lane asphalt walking track to be constructed on the school campus. Council Member Yarborough will contribute \$13,000 from his district Autumn Bond fund toward the estimated \$16,000 construction cost and the general public will have access to the track from 6 to 9 p.m. on weekdays and all day Saturday and Sunday. The School Board and the Parkwood Heights PTA will contract for the construction of the track and the City will reimburse up to \$13,000 of the cost as provided under the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding.

Policy Impact Area: Public facility improvements; joint public/school use of school facilities

Fiscal Impact: Council Member Yarborough is allocating \$13,000 of his District 1 Autumn Bond Fund to the project.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-489

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCD

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Authorizing extension and amendment of stadium lease agreement

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes execution of a 5th amendment to the extended and restated lease between the City and the Gator Bowl Association, Inc. for the association's continued use of EverBank Field for an additional 4 years through March 31, 2020 on the same financial terms now in effect.

Background Information: The Gator Bowl Association recently negotiated six year agreements with the Atlantic Coast Conference and the Big 10 Conference for those conferences to provide one of the teams for the annual Gator Bowl game through the 2020 edition of the game, with each conference providing a team in 3 of the 6 years. The Southeastern Conference is expected to provide the other team each year, although a formal agreement has not yet been announced. This lease extension will match the term of the Gator Bowl Association's stadium lease agreement, which currently expires after the 2016 game, to the new conference participation contracts.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development; stadium usage

Fiscal Impact: The Gator Bowl Association currently pays the City approximately \$205,000 per year in stadium rent, ticket surcharges and electronic signage fees, with the rental rate increasing each year based on an inflation index. The economic impact of the game on the Northeast Florida region varies somewhat from year to year depending on the teams that match up in the game, but \$15-\$20 million per year is a common estimate.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-490

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Authorization for JEA revenue bond issuance; appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the JEA to issue up to \$700,000,000 in electric system revenue bonds and up to \$800,000,000 in electric system subordinated revenue bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds. The bill appropriates the proceeds of the bond sales for the purposes of the refinancings as outlined in JEA Resolution 2013-7. The City covenants with the JEA and with the bond holders that so long as any electric system bonds remain outstanding, the City will not exercise any present or future power to appropriate revenues of the JEA electric system for City purposes in a manner that would impair or affect the JEA's ability to service the debt on such bonds.

Background Information: The JEA's debt program is regulated by the City Charter and City Council approval of debt issuance and debt refinancing is required. The City typically authorizes a debt issuance of several hundred million dollars each for the water/sewer and electric systems once every few years to provide the utility with the ability to meet its capital needs as they arise. This bill provides for the refinancing of existing electric system revenue bonds for the purpose of locking in low interest rates and converting variable rate instruments to fixed rate bonds where advantageous.

Policy Impact Area: Electric system debt financing

Fiscal Impact: The bill authorizes the issuance of up to \$700,000,000 in electric system revenue bonds and up to \$800,000,000 in electric system subordinated revenue bonds.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-491

Sponsor: Council Member Boyer:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F; TEU

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; CIP Amendment

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$42,483.16 from Children's Way/Palm Pump Station to the LaSalle Street Outfall Project, in Council District 5; provides oversight by the Public Works Department. The ordinance amends the 2012-2017 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program, approved by Ordinance 2012-434-E, to decrease the funding for the project entitled "Children's Way/Palm Pump Station" and increase funding for the project entitled "LaSalle Street Outfall"; provides a carryover of funds into subsequent fiscal years.

Background Information: This legislation moves funds allocated from one drainage project in San Marco to another drainage project. It is necessary to move the LaSalle Street project forward with funding for design because the residences along LaSalle Street continue to flood with every significant rainfall.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Streets and Drainage

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$42,483.16

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: 2013-492

Sponsor: Council Member Carter:

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 26, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; Request for Emergency Passage

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$364,500 from storm water projects to provide funding for the purchase of certain parcels from Mr. & Mrs. David M. Moore, owners of the property at 8681 Moss Haven Road (R.E. No. 0088-0632), Mr. & Mrs. Larry T. Jewell, owners of the property at 8669 Moss Haven Road (R.E. No. 008806-0630), and Mr. & Mrs. Aldon Sims, owners of the property at 1554 Polaron Court (R.E. No. 008806-1036), for the Country Creek Flood Control Project; authorizes the Mayor and the Corporation Secretary to execute all closing documents and take all necessary action to effectuate the purchase of the real property. Requesting one cycle emergency passage.

Background Information: The Country Creek Drainage Project has been identified as an area of flooding and attempted resolution by the City as early as 1979. In 2010, a drainage study was performed to identify improvement solutions. A decision was made to make specific improvements by purchasing homes. The purpose of this appropriation is to providing funding for the purchase of three of those homes in country Creek for flood control. The Country Creek Flood Control Project will use these properties to reduce flow and erosion throughout the neighborhood. *Emergency passage of this legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is the properties experience frequent flooding and there is an effort to move the occupants out of the homes before they experience additional flooding.* These homes are located in Council District 12.

Policy Impact: Flood Control

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$364,500.00

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-493

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Clark

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R, PHS, LUZ

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment; City Charter amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 656 – Zoning Code, Chapter 320 – Construction Regulations and Building Codes - General Provisions, and Chapter 614 – Public Order and Safety to make numerous changes in the regulation of off-site commercial signs. The bill also amends City Charter Article 23 – Offsite Commercial Billboard Ban – to remove the total ban on erection of new billboards and the requirement that all existing billboards eventually be removed and to replace them with provision for the erection of new billboards as replacements for existing billboards via a sign removal credits program.

Background Information: The bill amends the Zoning Code to delete language referring to a complete off-site billboard ban, to add language recognizing the existence of a dozen settlement agreements between the City and sign companies resulting from lawsuits over the legality of the billboard ban referendum and the City’s subsequent adoption and implementation of off-site sign regulations, and to add new provisions creating a definition of and procedure for “replacement off-site commercial signs”. The bill provides that off-site signs existing as of the effective date of this ordinance shall be deemed legal non-conforming uses and shall be entitled to be maintained and repaired at their current size, height and type of construction.

The bill adds a new Zoning Code Section 656.1322, Replacement Off-Site Commercial Signs, which establishes a system of removal credits and replacement calculations that would permit the erection of new signs as replacements for other signs that are voluntarily removed (credit is not given for removal of signs currently required to be removed under an existing judicially-approved settlement). Replacement credits are granted at a rate of 1 credit per 1 square foot of signage being removed, and new signs are required to have offsetting credits equal to twice the display area square footage proposed to be erected (2 square feet of signage removed for each 1 square foot of signage being erected). New signs would be permitted in commercial, industrial, public building and facility, and PUD zoning classifications, and would be prohibited in the San Marco, Riverside/Avondale and Springfield zoning overlays or in the Springfield or Riverside/Avondale Historic Districts or any other locally or nationally designated historic district.

The bill amends City Charter Article 23 – Off-Site Commercial Billboard Ban – to change the prohibition against construction or erection of any off-site commercial billboards into a prohibition against proliferation of off-site billboards and creates a mechanism for a sign removal credit system to enable a reduction in the existing amount of billboard inventory by allowing new signs to be erected in exchange for the removal of twice as much existing sign square footage. The sign credits for removal of existing signs are to be completely transferrable. The bill provides that off-site signs existing as of the effective date of this ordinance shall be deemed legal non-conforming uses and shall be entitled to be maintained and repaired at their current size, height and type of

construction. The amendment deletes the Charter provisions relating to removal of off-site signs by December 1, 1993 and July 30, 1997.

The bill repeals several sections of Ordinance Code Chapter 320- Construction Regulations and Building Codes, General Provisions – to remove provisions regarding sign permits for off-site signs, expiration of sign permits and nonconforming signs. Its amends Ordinance Code Chapter 614 – Judicial Code – to delete prohibitions against the display or maintenance of signs and to add language providing that the section does not prohibit replacement of off-site commercial signs.

Policy Impact Area: Off-site commercial sign regulation

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-495

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Authorizing tower lease agreement

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the execution of a communication tower lease between the City and TowerCom III, LLC for the erection of a tower at Alberts Field park on Brady Road in Mandarin.

Background Information: The lease term is 5 years with 5 additional 5-year renewal options. The lease rate is \$25,000 per year with an annual escalator rate of either 4% or the CPI inflation rate, whichever is greater. The tower will be a 150 foot unipole stealth tower with capacity for a minimum of 5 communication provider antennas. The City and JEA have the right to utilize the tower in the future by adding an additional 12 feet of antenna structure on top of the 150 foot pole.

Policy Impact Area: Telecommunications service; revenue production from public assets

Fiscal Impact: The lease rate for the tower site begins at \$25,000 per year with an annual escalator clause.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-496

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCD

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Request to City administration

Bill Summary: The bill urges the administration to negotiate with the operator of the Jacksonville Beach Pier – Dania Pier Management Corp. – to amend the lease for the pier to include a 50% discount on the admission fee to the pier for senior citizens aged 65 and older.

Background Information: Dania Pier Management Corp. has operated the Jacksonville Beach Pier since it was rebuilt and reopened in 2004 following the destruction of the old pier several years earlier by a hurricane. The management contract provides that Dania Pier pays the City \$12,000 per year in rent plus 10% of gross monthly operating revenues. The agreement does not specify what rates the company may charge for use of the pier. By Resolution 2005-286-A passed in the spring of 2005, the Council made the same request to the company to provide for a 50% discount for senior citizens, which apparently was not implemented.

Policy Impact Area: Recreation

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined – a reduction in admissions revenue due to the senior discount would reduce the pier's gross monthly operating revenues somewhat, of which the City receives 10%.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-498

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Jeffrey S. Foster as the Chief of Solid Waste within the Public Works Department.

Background Information: Section 32.602, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief of Solid Waste shall have a bachelor's degree or higher in an accredited college or university and at least five (5) years management experience in the solid waste industry.

Mr. Foster received bachelor's degree in geology from the University of Florida and is a Florida licensed Professional Geologist. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville, within the Solid Waste Division, since February 2010, when he was hired as a Solid Waste Environmental Engineer Manager, a position he held until he became the Acting Chief of Solid Waste in April 2012. Mr. Foster resides in St. Johns County.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department / Solid Waste Division operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Employee Services, the salary range for this position is \$80,774.04 - \$131,875 annually.

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-499

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Luis F. Flores as the Chief of Public Buildings within the Public Works Department.

Background Information: Section 32.502, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief of Public Buildings shall have at least five years' experience in maintenance work.

Mr. Flores received a master's degree in construction management from Florida International University and a master's degree in Public Administration from Florida Atlantic University. He is a Florida Certified General Contractor and has been employed with the City of Jacksonville Public Library, as an Assistant Director for Facilities Management and Planning, since March 2008. Mr. Flores resides in Duval County.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department / Public Buildings Division operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Employee Services, the salary range for this position is \$69,250.80 - \$113,062 annually.

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-500

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Gary L. Kresel as the Chief of Community Planning within the Planning and Development Department.

Background Information: Section 30.402, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief of Community Planning shall have a bachelor's degree or higher in an accredited college or university in urban or regional planning, geography or civil engineering, community planning, architecture, landscape architecture, public administration or related field and at least seven years' experience in comprehensive community planning or at least five years' of experience with a master's degree in any of the listed fields, or commensurate training and experience, and shall have proven administrative experience.

Mr. Kresel received a master's degree in urban and regional planning from Florida State University. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville, within the Planning and Development Department, since 1990. Mr. Kresel served as the appointed Chief of Comprehensive Planning from 1990 to 1991 and has since served as a Principal Planner (1991-2007) and as a Planner Supervisor. He resides in Duval County.

NOTE: The Community Planning Chief position has been vacant for four (4) years and pending Ordinance 2012-578 would delete the Community Planning Division and combine the functions and duties with those of the Current Planning Division.

Policy Impact Area: Planning and Development Department / Community Planning Division operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Employee Services, the salary range for this position is \$69,250.80 - \$113,062 annually.

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-501

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Kevin L. Jones as Chief of Fire Prevention, within the Fire and Rescue Department.

Background Information: Section 31.502, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief of Fire Prevention shall have at least five years' experience in the administration, training or management of fire fighting, emergency medical or rescue personnel, fire code enforcement, equipment and apparatus.

District Chief Jones received an associate's degree from Florida State College at Jacksonville and has completed various specialized career related courses. He has been employed with the City, within the Fire and Rescue Department, since 1991, working his way up from Firefighter to Fire District Chief in April 2013, his current position. District Chief Jones resides in Duval County.

Policy Impact Area: Fire & Rescue Department / Fire Prevention Division operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Human Resources, the salary range for this position is \$74,790 - \$122,107 annually.

Analyst: Welsh

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Charles E. Drysdale as Chief of Fire Training, within the Fire and Rescue Department.

Background Information: Section 31.402, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief of Fire Training shall have at least five years' experience in the administration, training or management of firefighting, emergency medical or rescue personnel, equipment and apparatus.

Chief Drysdale received an associate's degree in fire science technology from FCCJ and has completed various specialized career related courses. He has been employed with the City, within the Fire and Rescue Department, since 1995 working his way up from Firefighter to Fire District Chief, a position he held until his appointment as Chief of Fire Operations in 2012. Chief Drysdale resides in Duval County.

Policy Impact Area: Fire & Rescue Department / Fire Training Division operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Employee Services, the salary range for this position is \$74,790 - \$122,107 annually.

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-503

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Kurtis R. Wilson as Chief of Fire Operations within the Fire and Rescue Department.

Background Information: Section 31.202, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Chief of Fire Operations shall have at least five years' experience in the administration of firefighting, emergency medical or rescue personnel, equipment and apparatus; or commensurate training and experience.

Chief Wilson received a bachelor's degree in administration from Flagler College. He has been employed with the City, within the Fire and Rescue Department, since 1994, working his way up from Firefighter to Fire Captain in 2004, a position he held until his appointment as Chief of Fire Administrative Services in 2010. When the Fire Administrative Services Division was deleted via 2011-732-E, as part to the administration reorganization, Chief Wilson was appointed to his current position as Chief of Fire Prevention. He resides in Duval County.

NOTE: This bill may need to be amended to reflect Chief Wilson's first name as **Kurtis**.

Policy Impact Area: Fire & Rescue Department / Fire Operations Division operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Human Resources, the salary range for this position is \$74,790 - \$122,107 annually.

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-504

Sponsor: Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints W. Charles Latham to the Northeast Florida Regional Council, replacing J. Stanton Totman as the "independent municipality" representative.

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

The bylaws of the Northeast Florida Regional Council provide that one of Duval County's four representatives on the Board shall be an elected representative from one of the independent municipalities. Mr. Latham is the Mayor of the City of Jacksonville Beach.

Policy Impact Area: Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-505

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Angie D. Williams, as a member of the Construction Trades Qualifying Board, replacing Maxene L. Gillman as a private citizen representative, for a first term ending September 30, 2015.

Background Information: The Construction Trades Qualifying Board is established pursuant to Chapter 62, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to administer Chapter 342; ensure that an applicant for any certificate meets the qualifications provided by law; provide for the preparation, administration and grading of examinations; decide questions of definition and interpretation of the scope of work of the various construction trades covered by Chapter 342; make recommendations to the Council for amendment to ordinances it is required to administer; and provide a continuous study of the different trades and crafts regulated by Chapter 342 and recommend the regulation of additional trades or crafts as may be determined to protect the public health, safety and welfare. Section 62.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that each member of the board shall reside in Duval County and three of the members shall be citizens not associated with the construction industry.

Ms. Williams received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of South Carolina and is the President / Owner of *Williams & Williams General Contractors and Engineering Management Co., LLC*. She resides in City Council District #6.

NOTE: Section 62.101(g), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the citizen members for the Construction Trades Qualifying Board, may NOT be associated with the construction industry. As the owner of a construction / engineering firm, Ms. Williams may be ineligible to serve in the "citizen" category.

Policy Impact Area: Construction Trades Qualifying Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-506

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Balasundar "Bala Govi" Govindaraj, as a member of the Sports and Entertainment Board, replacing Pamela Payne, for a first term ending September 30, 2016.

Background Information: The Sports and Entertainment Board is established pursuant to Chapter 96, *Ordinance Code*, as an advisory board to the Office of Economic Development to stimulate and promote sports and entertainment events and activities to be held and performed in the greater Jacksonville economic area, and assist in obtaining maximum utilization of the sports and entertainment facilities owned by the city. Section 96.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the nine members of the board shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

Mr. Govindaraj received a bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Madras and is an IT Architect with CSX. He is the Operations VP of the Florida Cricket Association. Mr. Govindaraj resides in the Windy Hill area within City Council District #4.

Policy Impact Area: Sports and Entertainment Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-507

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Pamela G. Payne, as a member of the Civil Service Board, replacing Jeanine Gulliford for a first three-year term ending June 30, 2016.

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 the nine members of the Board shall be residents and qualified electors of the City of Jacksonville, and five of the members shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to the confirmation by the City Council.

Ms. Payne received a master's degree in education from Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College. She is President of *P & P Floor Coverings, Inc.* and Vice President/Secretary of *Northern Florida Recruiting and Consulting Services, Inc.* Her previous employment includes Human Resources experience with the *Duval County Public Schools* and she has previously served on the Sports and Entertainment Board. Ms. Payne resides in the Hidden Hills area within Council District #1.

Policy Impact Area: Civil Service Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-508

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Alan M. Pickert as a member of the Jacksonville Ethics Commission, filling the seat formerly held by W. Braxton Gillam, IV, for a first term ending December 31, 2015.

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 Mayor and confirmed by Council.

Mr. Pickert received a law degree from the University of Florida and is an Attorney/Partner with *Terrell Hogan P.A.* He resides in the St. Nicholas area within Council District #4.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Ethics Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-509

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Davalu Parrish as a member of the Jacksonville Children's Commission, filling the seat formerly held by William C. Mason as an at-large representative, for a first full four-year term ending July 15, 2017.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Children's Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 51, *Ordinance Code*, and charged with the ongoing responsibility of improving the lives of Jacksonville's children by serving as the central focus for the evaluation, planning and distribution of the city's funds for children's services. Section 51.103, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the eleven voting members of the commission shall be citizens and residents of the City appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council and that four of the members shall be appointed at-large.

Dr. Parrish retired in February 2013 as President/CEO from *The Bridge of Northeast Florida, Inc.*, after 30 years of service. She has previously served on the New Town Success Zone Committee and the Jacksonville Children's Commission Review Committee. Dr. Parrish resides in the Lakewood area within Council District #5.

NOTE: This bill may need to be amended to correct the spelling of Dr. Parrish's first name to **Davalu**.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Children's Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-510

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Heather H. Carter as a member of the Jacksonville Children's Commission, replacing Catrina Taylor Graham as a School Board District #6 representative, for a first full four-year term ending July 15, 2017.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Children's Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 51, *Ordinance Code*, and charged with the ongoing responsibility of improving the lives of Jacksonville's children by serving as the central focus for the evaluation, planning and distribution of the city's funds for children's services. Section 51.103, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the eleven voting members of the commission shall be citizens and residents of the City appointed by the Mayor, and confirmed by the Council, and that one of the members shall be appointed from (reside in) each of the School Board Districts.

Ms. Carter received a master's degree in education leadership from the University of North Florida and is the Founder/Executive Director of *The CHANGE Project, Inc.* She resides in the Jax Heights West area within Council District #12.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Children's Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-511

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 2, 2013

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Charles K. Mann, as a member of the Jacksonville-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs, for a second two-year term ending June 30, 2015.

Background Information: The Jacksonville-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs is established pursuant to Chapter 82, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to serve as an advocate, for the older persons in the city, to the governmental agencies responsible for the various plans and programs designed to help older persons; assist in the implementation of plans and programs selected by regional organizations, as they relate to the city and its citizens; and designate priorities among programs developed in the city by public, nonprofit and private providers concerning older persons. Section 82.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that five of the members of the Council on Elder Affairs shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

Mr. Mann received a master's degree in business administration from Wayne State University and a master's degree in education from Clemson University. He is an active community volunteer and has also served on the Small Business Advisory Commission and the Southwest CPAC. Mr. Mann resides in the Murray Hill area within Council District #14.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville-Duval County Council on Elder Affairs operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Welsh

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-515

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: Emergency measure – no committee reference

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Approval of legal settlement; request for emergency action

Bill Summary: The bill approves a legal settlement between the City and Joseph and Audrey Stewart of a personal injury suit filed by the Stewarts for serious injuries sustained by their son due to an accident caused by a dangerous tree on City right-of-way. The bill is requested for emergency approval on first reading.

Background Information: The settlement will pay the Stewart family \$3.5 million (\$200,000 to be paid by the City within 60 days, the remainder to be paid in installments over 4 years if authorized by a claims bill passed by the Florida Legislature) as agreed in a mediated settlement of a lawsuit over injuries sustained by their son, who was struck by a tree limb falling from an oak tree in City right-of way and rendered paraplegic in June of 2011.

The Public Works Department has increased its efforts to identify and mitigate dangerous trees since the incident and removed 468 trees between August and December 2011 to better protect public safety.

The Ordinance Code requires City Council approval of personal injury settlements in excess of the statutory limits of liability set forth in the Florida Statutes, which limits settlements by state or local governments with any individual to \$200,000. Amounts in excess of \$200,000 are subject to approval by the Florida Legislature by means of a "claims bill".

Policy Impact Area: Legal settlement

Fiscal Impact: The City agrees to pay the first \$200,000 to the family immediately upon the passage of this bill; the remaining \$3.3 million is payable over 4 years contingent upon passage by the Legislature of a claims bill authorizing the payments.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-516

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Crescimbeni

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; authorization to execute joint participation agreement

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$190,457.94 in Florida Department of Transportation grant funds to the St. Johns River Ferry capital projects account to assist in the cost of repairs to the ferry *Jean Ribault*. The bill approves a Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement between the City and the FDOT for receipt and use of the funds for the project as described in the agreement.

Background Information: The FDOT will provide grant funding from its Ferry Boat Discretionary Program to the City to make repairs and upgrades to the ferry boat. The City's 20% match requirement will be appropriated in the FY13-14 budget ordinance.

Policy Impact Area: St. Johns River Ferry operations

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$190,457.94 in Florida Department of Transportation grant funds, with city matching funds to be appropriated in the FY13-14 budget ordinance.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-517

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Gulliford

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: First reading emergency approval – no committee reference

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Approval of legal services engagement letter

Bill Summary: The bill approves execution of an engagement letter between the City Council and GrayRobinson P.A. for the firm to serve as legislative council to the City Council.

Background Information: The engagement letter states that GrayRobinson will provide advice and assistance to the City Council on current pension issues and other future legislative matters that may arise on which the Council may desire assistance. GrayRobinson's fees and expenses are not to exceed \$65,000 in any City fiscal year. The firm agrees to comply with the City's travel reimbursement policies should travel be necessary.

Policy Impact Area: City Council legal assistance for legislative purposes

Fiscal Impact: The City Council appropriated \$75,000 via Ordinance 2013-367-E to pay for the services of a legislative counsel.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2013-518

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members Clark, Gulliford and Jones

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

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

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Appropriation; emergency 1-cycle approval request

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$150,000 from the Council Special Operating Reserve Account to the Sports and Entertainment Board to provide funding to advertise and promote the Florida Country Superfest to be held in Jacksonville in June, 2014. Emergency action on 1 cycle is requested in order to provide evidence of substantial City support for the event to the promoter prior to the booking of performers for the event, which normally takes place a year prior to such large events.

Background Information: The Florida Country Superfest is a 2-day, multi-act country music festival to be held at EverBank Field June 14 and 15, 2014. The City's Sports and Entertainment Board applied to the Tourist Development Council for \$300,000 to market the event throughout the Southeast, primarily in Florida, Georgia and South Carolina. The TDC approved an allocation of \$100,000 to the event up-front and an additional \$100,000 after the completion of the event if the festival meets its hotel room night target (the promoters guarantee 7,500 room nights and anticipate 10,000).

Policy Impact Area: Economic activity promotion

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$150,000 from the Council Special Operating Reserve Account.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2013-519

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Clark

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2013

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, LUZ

Date of Analysis: July 25, 2013

Type of Action: Vacation of plats

Bill Summary: The bill vacates and annuls 11 platted lots within the Glen Kernan Golf and Country Club off of Hodges Boulevard.

Background Information: State law provides that municipalities may annul and vacate platted lots via resolution if the vacation of the plats does not affect the property rights of any person, which these vacations and annulments do not. The annulment of the plats will revert these lots into the larger common area owned by the Glen Kernan Golf and Country Club. The bill reserves any easements that may exist in the vacated lots for the City's future use.

Policy Impact Area: Real estate development

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements