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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2017-0725

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Introduced by Land Use and Zoning Committee

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: October 19, 2017

Type of Action: Proposed text amendment to Transportation and Future Land Use Elements of the *2030 Comprehensive Plan*

Bill Summary: This bill proposes text amendments to the *2030 Comprehensive Plan*. Policy 2.3.6 of the Transportation Element and Policy 1.3.6 of the Future Land Use Element to be transmitted through the State's expedited state review process to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, as the State Land Planning Agency, the Northeast Florida Regional Council, the Florida Department of Transportation, the St. Johns River Water Management District, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Department of State's Bureau of Historic Preservation, the Florida Department of Education, and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

Background Information: The Planning and Development Department has initiated certain revisions and modifications to the text of the *2030 Comprehensive Plan* and provided the necessary supporting data and analysis to support and justify the amendment. The Jacksonville Planning Commission, the Land Use and Zoning (LUZ) Committee and City Council held public hearings on this proposed amendment which is relating to access for non-residential parcels with frontage along two or more roadways. Access to newly developed and redeveloped non-residential parcels will be limited to protect the functionality of the City's transportation network (one access per roadway from the higher functional class road with higher daily traffic limited to right turn in/right turn out only). Exemptions may be granted by the Traffic Engineering Division and the Planning and Development Department.

Policy Impact Area: Non-residential roadway access limitations

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Hampsey

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2017-727

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

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 26, 2017

Type of Action: Appropriation; transfer of part-time hours

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$556,431.94 (\$536,654.32 received from auction of parcels on the City's Affordable Housing Inventory List and \$19,777.62 in HUD miscellaneous revenue) to provide disaster recovery funding for Duval County low income residents impacted by Hurricane Irma. It transfers 1,000 part-time hours within the Neighborhoods Department from CDBG administration to the disaster recovery effort to staff the program.

Background Information: The funding will provide the following assistance to eligible households (either homeowners or landlords who rent to low-income renters): purchase of emergency supplies for weather-damaged homes; interim repairs to avoid further damage (i.e. tree and debris removal); construction of or repairs to wells where public water is not available; payment of insurance deductibles for rehab to homes; security deposits and rental assistance for eligible recipients who were displaced from their homes due to the storm. Eligibility is determined by household income (up to 140% of median household income in Jacksonville). The income upper limit is \$63,140 for a household of 1, \$72,240 for a household of 2, \$81,200 for a household of 3, up to \$119,140 for a household of 8. Priority in fund distribution will go to elderly and disabled residents, and lower income applicants over higher income applicants.

This appropriation is in addition to \$427,699.80 in State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funds and \$264,635.57 in Rental Rehabilitation Loan Program funds also being administratively allocated to Hurricane Irma relief for eligible low income households.

Policy Impact Area: Hurricane Irma recovery assistance

Fiscal Impact: This appropriation of \$556,431.94 plus \$427,699.80 in SHIP funds and \$264,635.57 in Rental Rehab Program funds will make a total of \$1,248,767.31 available for hurricane recovery assistance, of which \$17,100 will be allocated to administrative support.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-728

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Land Use and Zoning Committee

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: October 25, 2017

Type of Action: Ruling on appeal of Final Order by Planning Commission

Bill Summary: This resolution rules on the appeal of approved Zoning Exception Application (E-17-78). The request was filed by Robert M. Harris, Trust, for the property located at 1905 Hendricks Avenue, District 5; and adopts the findings and conclusions. The Planning Commission (PC) approved the application on September 21, 2017, with no conditions, to allow outdoor sale and service which will include beer and wine.

Background Information: The appeal contests the addition of outside seating and service. The appellant owns property within 350 feet of subject property and has standing for an appeal. The business is Bold Bean, a coffee shop, in the San Marco area. Parking is limited and overflow has been allowed in the Southside Baptist Church parking lot.

Policy Impact Area: Planning & Development Department, Planning Commission, outdoor sales & service

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-729

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Land Use and Zoning Committee

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: October 25, 2017

Type of Action: Ruling on appeal of Final Order by Planning Commission

Bill Summary: This resolution rules on the appeal of approved Zoning Exception Application (E-17-78). The request was filed by the Southside Baptist Church of Jacksonville, concerning the property located at 1905 Hendricks Avenue, District 5; and adopts the findings and conclusions. The Planning Commission (PC) approved the application on September 21, 2017, to allow outdoor sale and service which will include beer and wine.

Background Information: Bold Bean, a coffee shop, had an agreement with Southside Baptist Church to allow overflow parking on their lots. The applicant stated to the PC that the church was aware of Bold Bean's service of beer and wine. On October 3, 2017, Southside Baptist Church issued a letter to Bold Bean terminating the agreement due to liability issues. The overflow parking is located across the street from the coffee shop.

Policy Impact Area: Planning & Development Department, Planning Commission, outdoor sales & service

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-730

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

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 26, 2017

Type of Action: Authorization to issue mortgage revenue bonds

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the issuance by the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority (JHFA) of its single family homeowner mortgage revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 to fund mortgage loans originated by local lending institutions for purchase or rehabilitation of new or existing single family homes, or for purchasing mortgage-backed securities, or for refunding outstanding bonds of the JHFA previously issued for these purposes.

Background Information: The bill would authorize the JHFA to make application to the Florida Division of Bond Finance for an allocation of private activity bond volume cap from the regional pool in which our county participates, without having a specific use in mind at this time. The funds when allocated could then be made available to interested lenders to originate reduced-interest mortgages for home purchases or home renovations in Jacksonville, or could be converted to other eligible affordable housing purposes. According to the Housing and Community Development Division, because of the historically low interest rates in recent years, use of these bonds to provide lower interest rates for homebuyers has not been necessary, so they have been subsequently converted to multi-family uses or for Mortgage Credit Certificates for homebuyers. The language regarding mortgage-backed securities is included in the authorization because that is generally how mortgages are handled in the marketplace – loans originated by banks are bundled into mortgage-backed securities and sold for investment purposes. The language in the authorization allows mortgages assisted with these bonds to be treated in that manner.

Policy Impact Area: Affordable housing

Fiscal Impact: No financial liability to the City; debt service on the bonds is the responsibility of the borrower.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-731

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

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 26, 2017

Type of Action: Authorization to issue mortgage revenue bonds

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the issuance by the Jacksonville Housing Finance Authority (JHFA) of its multifamily housing revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$16,500,000 on behalf of Powers Avenue Apartments, Ltd. to fund construction of the Pine Grove Apartments as affordable housing for persons of low, middle or moderate income.

Background Information: The apartment complex is to be located at Powers Avenue and Toledo Road and will consist of 168 one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments, with 151 of the units (90%) reserved for renters with low income and 17 units (10%) reserved for renters with extremely low income. Total estimated construction cost is \$18,159,052; total financial cost (bond counsel, issuance costs, origination fee, etc.) is \$1,400,451; general development cost is \$3,750,127; the developer fee is \$4,195,750 (\$3,572,615 of which will be deferred); and the land cost is \$2,500,000, for a total project cost of \$30,005,470. The JHFA bonds will cover 52% of the project cost, with the remainder being provided by affordable housing grants and tax credits and other borrowing.

Policy Impact Area: Affordable housing production

Fiscal Impact: None to the City; responsibility for all debt service lies with the borrower.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2017- 0732

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

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 19, 2017

Type of Action: Resolution requesting Opinion from the Florida Attorney General

Bill Summary: This bill requests an opinion from the Florida Attorney General specific to the definition of “student” in regards to the requirement for school crossing guards.

Background Information: A Duval Delegation legislator requested legislation of local impact to Jacksonville (J-bill) to expand the presence of the crossing guards to include 6th grade which would incorporate middle schools in Duval County. Currently, according to Florida Statute Section 1006.23, the term “student” means “any public elementary school student whose grade level does not exceed grade 6”. In Duval County, 6th grade students attend middle, not elementary, schools. This legislation requests an opinion as to whether 6th grade students in middle school are considered “students” or whether the term “student” only includes students up to 5th grade in K-5 Elementary Schools.

Policy Impact Area: Student grade level for school crossing guard requirements

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Hampsey

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-733

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Dennis and Co-sponsors Bowman and Carter

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: October 25, 2017

Type of Action: Urging Florida Department of Transportation to rename a bridge

Bill Summary: This resolution urges the Florida Department of Transportation to name Bridge Number 720664 on U.S. 90 / S.R. 10 between Robinson Avenue and Acorn Street in Duval County for Harry Frisch; and directs the Chief of Legislative Services to forward a copy of the resolution to the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation and to the members of the Duval Legislative Delegation.

Background Information: Harry Frisch, a native of Austria, immigrated to the United States in 1953. He and his family settled in Jacksonville and started a fish market that has grown into an international business. Mr. Frisch has made significant investments that remain to be vital resources in the community such as the Jacksonville Farmer's Market, the water taxis, and the Beaver Street Foundation. The small family business that started decades ago on Beaver Street is now one of the largest frozen seafood importers and distributors in the U.S today, and the company remains on Beaver Street. Mr. Frisch has been a cornerstone of economic growth and stability in our community. He has supported various nonprofits organizations with countless contributions. Bridge Number 720664 is the gateway to Beaver Street Fisheries, and it should be named the Harry Frisch Bridge.

Policy Impact Area: Planning & Development Department, Street Naming

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-737

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 20, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Lindsey C. Brock III, to the Jacksonville Waterways Commission, replacing Ralph C. Hodges, as a member of the General Public, for a first term ending December 31, 2019.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Waterways Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 95, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study and make recommendations to the Council with respect to the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River and all tidal waters in Duval County; formulate an overall plan for dealing with any problems that exist concerning the St. Johns River; devise methods of developing future uses of the St. Johns River; serve as the Duval County committee to review rules proposed by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission governing speed and operation of motorboats to protect manatees; advise governmental units and the public concerning the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River; and act as a coordinating agency for programs and activities affecting the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River. Section 95.103(c), *Ordinance Code*, provides that nine of the members of the Jacksonville Waterways Commission shall be members of the general public appointed by the Council.

Mr. Brock received a law degree from Thomas M. Cooley Law School and a master's of law degree in admiralty from Tulane University School of Law. He is a Shareholder at *Rumrell, McLeod & Brock, P.A.* Mr. Brock has served on the Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission and the St. Johns River Ferry Commission. He resides in the Beacon Hills area within Council District #2.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Waterways Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-738

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 20, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the appointment of Rhodes Robinson to the Tree Commission, as a member of an environmental organization from the At-Large Group 2 residency area, for an initial term ending December 31, 2019.

Background Information: The Tree Commission is established as an advisory board pursuant to Chapter 94, *Ordinance Code*, and empowered to study, make recommendations, and formulate an overall plan with respect to the planting of trees and the health of the City's tree canopy which includes maintenance of an inventory of the urban tree canopy, conducting educational outreach programs, preparing and analyzing maps, identifying issues relating to health of public trees, recommend and develop opportunities for the City's grant writing office to aide in solicitation of donations to support the tree canopy, perform an annual audit of funded projects to be included in an annual report to the Mayor's Office and City Council. Finally, it is the duty of the Commission to review expenditure proposals for planting projects and formulate a priority list, based on established criteria for recommendation to the Council.

Section 94.103, *Ordinance Code*, provides that three of the seven members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Council from the general public. Members should possess a specialized knowledge about trees and, to the extent possible; members should represent each Council At-Large residency area and come from various categories, including member of an environmental organization.

Mr. Robinson received a master's degree in wildlife biology from North Carolina State University and is a Certified Environmental Professional and Professional Wetland Scientist. He owns *Environmental Services, Inc*, an environmental consulting company. Mr. Robinson is a member of the Society of Wetland Scientists and the Association of State Wetland Managers. He resides in the Girvin area within Council District #3.

Policy Impact Area: Tree Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-739

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 20, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Joyce J. Conway, to the Building Codes Adjustment Board, replacing Brian J. Register, for a first full term ending September 30, 2020.

Background Information: The Building Codes Adjustment Board is established pursuant to Chapter 56, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study building codes and recommend to Council needed amendments thereto as may be found necessary or desirable; hear and decide building code enforcement appeals; and authorize building code variances where authorized by law. Section 56.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the nine members of the board are appointed by the Council.

Ms. Conway is the President of *Permits Made Simple*. She participates in a number of industry and community organizations including the Northeast Florida Builders Association and Rotaract. Ms. Conway resides in the Downtown area within Council District #7.

Policy Impact Area: Building Codes Adjustment Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-740

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 20, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the appointment of Benjamin P. Wasson, to the Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission, filling the seat formerly held by Theodore J. Wendler, for a first term ending June 30, 2019.

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 county and six of the 18 members shall be appointed by the Council President and confirmed by the Council.

Mr. Wasson received a master's degree in business administration from Southern Illinois University Carbondale and is a Custom Engineer/Project Analyst with *Advent Software*. He resides in the Sandlewood area within Council District #3.

Policy Impact Area: TRUE Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2016-741

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 20, 2017

Type of Action: Reappointment

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints Ryan D. Fryman to the Building Codes Adjustment Board, for a second term ending September 30, 2020.

Background Information: The Building Codes Adjustment Board is established pursuant to Chapter 56, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study building codes and recommend to Council needed amendments thereto as may be found necessary or desirable; hear and decide building code enforcement appeals; and authorize building code variances where authorized by law. Section 56.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the nine members of the board are appointed by the Council.

Mr. Fryman received a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of North Florida and is a Florida licensed Professional Engineer. He is a Principal/Senior Electrical Engineer with *TLC Engineering for Architecture, Inc.* and resides in the San Jose Forest area within Council District #5.

Attendance: According to information provided by the staff for the board, Mr. Fryman has attended 75% (15 of 20) of the meetings during his current term.

Policy Impact Area: Building Codes Adjustment Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-742

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Sheriff

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 23, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation with Retroactive Effective Date

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Sheriff's appointment of Nick Burgos as Chief of the Patrol West Division, within the Sheriff's Office, retroactively effective to October 7, 2017.

Background Information: Section 37.102(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that Division Chiefs within the Sheriff's Office shall have a college degree or at least five years' training and experience and shall be confirmed by the Council before the appointment becomes permanent.

Assistant Chief Burgos has been employed with the Sheriff's Office since 1996, working his way up from Police Officer to Police Lieutenant in 2013, a position he held until his appointment as Assistant Chief in 2015. In addition to various law enforcement training courses, Assistant Chief Burgos received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice administration from Mountain State University.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Sheriff's Office operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Human Resources, the salary range for this position is \$85,465 - \$139,535 annually.

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-743

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Sheriff

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 20, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation with Retroactive Effective Date

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Sheriff's appointment of Mathew Nemeth as Chief of the Patrol East Division, within the Sheriff's Office, retroactively effective to October 7, 2017.

Background Information: Section 37.102(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that Division Chiefs within the Sheriff's Office shall have a college degree or at least five years' training and experience and shall be confirmed by the Council before the appointment becomes permanent.

Chief Nemeth has been employed with the Sheriff's Office since 1996, working his way up from Police Detective to Lieutenant in 2008, a position he held until his appointment as Police Assistant Division Chief in 2014. He received a master's degree in business administration from the University of Phoenix and has completed various law enforcement training courses.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Sheriff's Office operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Human Resources, the salary range for this position is \$85,465 - \$139,535 annually.

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-744

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Sheriff

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 23, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation with Retroactive Effective Date

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Sheriff's appointment of Cary T. Cowan as Chief of Professional Standards, within the Sheriff's Office, retroactively effective to October 7, 2017.

Background Information: Section 37.102(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the division chiefs, within the Office of the Sheriff, shall have a college degree or at least five years' training and experience.

Assistant Chief Cowan has been employed with the Sheriff's Office since 1996, working his way up from Police Officer to Police Lieutenant in 2009, a position he held until his appointment as Assistant Chief in 2015. In addition to various law enforcement training courses, Assistant Chief Cowan received a master's degree in strategic studies from the U.S. Army War College.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Sheriff's Office operations

Fiscal Impact: According to Human Resources, the salary range for this position is \$85,465 - \$139,535 annually.

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-745

Sponsor: Council President Brosche

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 20, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Robert P. Birtalan, to the Jacksonville Waterways Commission, filling a seat formerly held by Gary L. Anderson, as a member of the General Public, for a partial term ending December 31, 2018.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Waterways Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 95, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study and make recommendations to the Council with respect to the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River and all tidal waters in Duval County; formulate an overall plan for dealing with any problems that exist concerning the St. Johns River; devise methods of developing future uses of the St. Johns River; serve as the Duval County committee to review rules proposed by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission governing speed and operation of motorboats to protect manatees; advise governmental units and the public concerning the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River; and act as a coordinating agency for programs and activities affecting the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River. Section 95.103(c), *Ordinance Code*, provides that nine of the members of the Jacksonville Waterways Commission shall be members of the general public appointed by the Council.

Mr. Birtalan received a certification in Industrial Electrical Repair from the Department of Labor. He retired as Director of Operations Mayport after a 30-year career at *BAE Systems*. Currently, he is the Owner of *Birtalan Production Consulting, LLC* and Co-Owner of *The St. Johns Marine Group*. He has previously served on the Jacksonville Area Ship Repair Association and the Northside Business Leaders. Mr. Birtalan resides in the Beacon Hills area within Council District #2.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Waterways Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-746

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 23, 2017

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of April Green as a member of the JEA Board, filling a seat formerly held by Edward E. Burr, for a first full term ending February 28, 2021.

Background Information: The JEA is established pursuant to Article 21, *Jacksonville Charter*, and authorized to own, manage and operate a utilities system within and without the City of Jacksonville. The JEA is created for the express purpose of acquiring, constructing, operating, financing and otherwise have plenary authority with respect to electric, water, sewer, natural gas and such other utility systems as may be under its control now or in the future. Section 21.03(a), *Jacksonville Charter*, provides that the seven members of the JEA Board are to be city residents and electors appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council.

Ms. Green, a Duval County voter, is the Chief Operating Officer with *Baxter Technology* and Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer with *Bethel Baptist Institutional Church*. She is active on a number of community boards including the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce and the B.E.S.T. Academy. Ms. Green resides in the Deerwood area within Council District #11.

Policy Impact Area: JEA Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Shoup

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2017-747

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

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 26, 2017

Type of Action: Approving housing assistance plan; authorization to execute documents and submit plan

Bill Summary: The bill adopts the City's Local Housing Assistance Plan for FY18-19 through FY20-21 as developed by the Housing and Community Development Division of the Neighborhoods Department and recommended by the Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission. It authorizes the Mayor to execute and deliver documents and certifications required by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation as related to the Plan, and to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms and conditions of said Plan.

Background Information: Local governments in Florida desiring to use State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Act funds are required to develop a one-to-three year Local Housing Assistance Plan outlining how funds will be used and how funds will be allocated among the allowable strategies. The proposed housing strategies include: purchase assistance with rehabilitation; owner occupied rehabilitation; disaster repair/mitigation for owners; acquisition/rehabilitation for owners; new construction for ownership; rehabilitation for rental; disaster repair/mitigation for rental properties; and new construction for rental. Other non-financial strategies to incentivize production and maintenance of affordable housing include: expedited permitting; ongoing review of local policies, ordinance and regulations to evaluate their impact on housing costs; modification or waiver of fees or alternative fee payment methods; allowance of flexibility in densities for affordable housing; allowance of affordable accessory residential units in residential zoning districts; a printed inventory of government-owned lands that are suitable for affordable housing; support of development near transportation hubs, major employment centers and mixed-use developments; and lien forgiveness for parcels donated to or purchased by non-profits for affordable housing purposes.

Policy Impact Area: Affordable housing strategies

Fiscal Impact: The LHAP roughly estimates a SHIP allocation of \$3,946,988 in FY18-19, of which 65.62% will be allocated to home ownership strategies, 23.82% to rental housing strategies, and 10% to administrative costs. In FY19-20 the projected allocation is \$4,946,988 with 74.19% allocated to home ownership, 19% to rental and 10% to administration. For FY20-21 the projected allocations are \$5,946,988, 68.02% for home ownership, 24.55% for rental and 10% for administration.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2017-748

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

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 25, 2017

Type of Action: Amend *Ordinance Code*

Bill Summary: This bill amends Chapter 111 (Special Revenue and Trust Accounts), Part 3 (Public Safety and Courts), *Ordinance Code*; and creates a new Section 111.398 entitled "Courts Programs Trust Fund" to receive gifts, grants, donations, contributions, and other sums of money to be used to provide funding for various programs of the Courts of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, including programs to aid young people in their recovery from drug dependencies and in dealing with social situations within their families.

Background Information: The Courts of the Fourth Judicial Circuit often receive financial contributions that cannot be designated. Therefore, creating the self-appropriating trust fund will allow for a separate index code to deposit all sums of money to earn or accrue interest. The money will benefit various programs in the Fourth Judicial Circuit such as providing aid to young people in their recovery from drug dependencies and in dealing with social situations within their families.

Policy Impact Area: Court Programs, Special Revenue Trust Funds, Juvenile Justice, Recovery program

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2017- 0749

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

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 20, 2017

Type of Action: Appropriation, position approval and designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of \$65,000 to pay part of the salary and benefits for a planner assigned to the Emergency Preparedness Division. The Emergency Preparedness Division will oversee the project.

Background Information: This appropriation will pay part of the salary and benefits for a planner assigned to the Emergency Preparedness Division who will complete the annual Hazardous Analysis survey on designated facilities located within Duval County. The Hazardous Analysis survey will evaluate the compliance of designated facilities and identify the chemical inventory. The period of performance for the grant will be July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Policy Impact Area: Emergency Preparedness Division staffing

Fiscal Impact: \$65,000 (\$29,183.00 from the Florida Division of Emergency Management and a match of \$35,817.00 from the Reserve for Federal Programs) as initiated by B.T. 17-144

Analyst: Hampsey

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2017- 0750

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

Date of Introduction: October 24, 2017

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 24, 2017

Type of Action: Appropriation, agreement authorization, CIP amendment and designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of \$50,000 in reimbursement grant funds from the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection. The Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) Grant Award Agreement is authorized for the Touchton Road Park Project. The 2017-2021 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program is amended to provide funding for the project. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services will provide oversight.

Background Information: The City has been awarded \$50,000 for the Touchton Road Park Project through Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program. The funding must be used by July of 2019. The purpose of the appropriation is to provide funding for adult exercise equipment for the soon to be developed Touchton Road Park. The adult exercise equipment will be adjacent to the playground equipment. The funding for the park infrastructure, which includes a parking lot, stormwater, trail, park benches and playground equipment, will not be fully realized until the 2017- 18 Fiscal Year and must be completed in order for the adult exercise equipment to be installed. Touchton Road Park will serve the high density Tinseltown Southside neighborhood and is located on Touchton Road between Southside Boulevard and Belfort Road.

Policy Impact Area: Touchton Park exercise equipment

Fiscal Impact: \$50,000 as initiated by B.T. 17-145 in reimbursement grant funds from the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection through the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program

Analyst: Hampsey