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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-622

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F; TEU

Date of Analysis: September 11, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; CIP Amendment

Bill Summary: The ordinance reappropriates \$1,234,335.00 from the Drainage System Rehabilitation Project within the Stormwater Capital Projects fund to provide funding for four specific drainage projects, the Herschel Street Culvert Project, the Nolan Street Drainage Improvements Project, the Reed Street Drainage Improvements Project, and the Oakwood Street Drainage Improvements Project, as initiated by B.T. 15-100; it provides a carryover of funds to fiscal year 2015-2016; it amends the 2015-2019 five-year Capital Improvement Program, approved by Ordinance 2014-467-E, to provide funding for the projects entitled "Herschel Street Culvert," "Nolan Street Drainage Improvements," "Reed Street Drainage Improvements," and "Oakwood Street Drainage Improvements; provides for City oversight by the Engineering Division of the Department of Public Works.

Background Information: The Herschel Street culvert is failing; some of the metal culvert has rusted away; both headwalls are cracked. The roadway has settled along the curbs, creating standing pockets of water. The channel is choked with debris and sediment. The proposed solution is to close the road, remove the failed culvert, and replace it with a precast culvert. The Nolan Street Drainage Improvements improves drainage for Nolan Street, Shearer Avenue and Arney Street. The current drainage system is a combination of ditches and shallow pipes. The pipes are too shallow to permit proper drainage. The project corrects the drainline elevations and provides adequate drainage for these streets. The Reed Street Drainage Improvements project corrects drainage issues along Reed Street that tend to flood several garages and localized flooding along the road. This project is complicated in that there are wetlands involved which elevates the difficulty in obtaining a St. Johns River Water Management District permit. Ultimately, the plan is to control the elevation of the Reed Street pond and improve drainage on Reed Street. The Oakwood Street Drainage Improvements are needed because there is no existing drainage infrastructure. A drainage study was initiated that validated several options that would expand the infrastructure and resolve the flooding issue. A piped system will be constructed that will collect drainage from the bottom of the hill where the flooding occurs and deliver it to an existing storm drain manhole two blocks away.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Engineering Division

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$1,234,335.00.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-623

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

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, TEU

Date of Analysis: September 10, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; carry-over authorization; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$89,518.69 from the Tree Protection Trust Fund to the Public Works Department's tree maintenance budget to maximize the funding for maintenance provided from that trust fund.

Background Information: Ordinance Code Section 111.760 provides that the City may fund up to 25% of its total tree maintenance expenses each year using funds deposited in the Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund. During the current fiscal year 2 ordinances (2014-752-E and 2015-270-E) were passed appropriating additional funds to the Public Works Department's tree removal budget and increasing the department's budget authorization for that function. This bill appropriates additional funding from the Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund to bring its percentage of funding for the tree maintenance and related expense function back up to the maximum 25% funding level.

Policy Impact Area: Tree maintenance

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$89,518.69 from the Tree Protection Trust Fund.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0624

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

Date of Introduction: August 25, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: September 8, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$25,000 in private contribution funds from Florida Animal Friend, Inc.; and provides for a carryover of funds to FY 2015-2016.

Background Information: The appropriation will provide funds for spray and neuter services.

Policy Impact Area: Regulatory Compliance Department, Animal Care and Protective Services

Fiscal Impact: The appropriation of \$25,000 as indicated by B.T. 15-103.

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-625

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F; RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: September 11, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The ordinance appropriates \$15,000 from the Florida Department of Transportation to purchase support materials for the City's Adopt-A-Road and other neighborhood and special volunteer cleanup programs and projects designed to educate citizens about litter and litter prevention, as initiated by B.T. 15-104.

Background Information: The funds would enable the purchase of support materials such as gloves, bags. Litter pick-up tools, signs and printing materials for litter prevention. The grant period began October 1, 2014 and ends September 30, 2015. This is a reimbursement grant; the City will be reimbursed after the September 30, 2015 deadline. Keep Jacksonville Beautiful received the original, signed letter from the Florida Department of Transportation on February 3, 2015.

Policy Impact: Regulatory & Compliance Department

Fiscal Impact: The ordinance appropriates \$15,000.00.

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0627

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

Date of Introduction: August 25, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: September 8, 2015

Type of Action: Adopting and amending the 2030 Comprehensive Plan

Bill Summary: This bill adopts 2015B Series Text Amendment to the future Land Use Element of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan as it relates to adding the right to proceed into Phase II and III of the Consolidated Downtown DRI as to any project for which a project specific Notice of Proposed Change (NOPC) is adopted acknowledging such project shall be governed by the City Mobility Fee System; and provides a disclaimer that the amendment granted herein shall not be construed as an exemption from any other applicable laws.

Background Information: The Planning and Development Department initiated certain revisions and modifications to the text in accordance with the procedures and requirements in order to facilitate the appropriate and timely implementation of the plan, and has provided the necessary documentation to support and justify the amendments. A public hearing was held regarding the proposed amendment, with due public notice being provided; all comments received during the public hearing were reviewed and considered by the City Council.

Policy Impact Area: Planning and Development Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-630

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

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RDCPHS

Date of Analysis: September 10, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; carry-over authorization; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$89,100 in Nocatee Development of Regional Impact hurricane shelter mitigation fees collected by the City but not properly allocated to the Fire and Rescue Department to fund upgrades to primary and secondary hurricane shelters in the City. The bill authorizes carry-over of the funds into FY15-16 and designates the Fire and Rescue Department as the City's oversight agency for the project.

Background Information: The Nocatee DRI was amended in 2010 to eliminate from the development order the requirement that residential units in the DRI would have "safe rooms", in return for which the developer agreed to pay a total of \$1.9 million to Jacksonville and St. Johns County (on a proportional basis based on the location of residential units) to allow for the improvement of hurricane shelters. The Nocatee developers have paid hurricane shelter mitigation payments totaling \$89,100 over the course of (three years FY12-13, FY13-14 and FY14-15) that were never transmitted to the Fire and Rescue Department as intended. This bill transmits those hurricane mitigation fees to the JFRD for use.

Policy Impact Area: Hurricane shelter planning

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$89,100 in Nocatee Development of Regional Impact hurricane shelter mitigation fees.S

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-631

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Schellenberg

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: September 10, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; carry-over authorization; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$1,050,000 from the Loblolly Wetlands Mitigation Fund to 14 district council member discretionary funds (\$75,000 apiece) for use in park capital improvement projects. It authorizes carry-over of unexpended funds to future fiscal years and requires that the funds be committed to expenditure by June 30, 2019. The bill designates the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department as the oversight agency for the funds.

Background Information: The Loblolly Wetlands Mitigation Fund was created in 2003 in conjunction with the purchase of 4,878 acres of land on the Westside and the formation of the Loblolly wetlands mitigation bank to provide wetlands credits to mitigate for the effects of Better Jacksonville Plan projects on regulated wetlands. The enacting legislation provided that credits would be applied first to BJP projects, then "excess credits" could be sold to other users and the revenues deposited into the mitigation fund for future capital improvements for conservation and park uses as appropriated by City Council. A Master Recreation Improvement Plan was commissioned by the City in 1992 to meet the requirements of the Recreation and Open Space Element of the City's newly-adopted Comprehensive Plan which identified and evaluated the condition of all of the City's recreational assets. Another comprehensive inventory and evaluation of recreational facilities and their conditions was performed by the Parks, Recreation and Entertainment Department in 2004.

Ordinance 2013-264-E appropriated \$2.8 million to create 14 council district park improvement funds of \$200,000 apiece.

Policy Impact Area: Park capital improvements

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$1,050,000 from the Loblolly Wetlands Mitigation Fund to fund 14 district council member discretionary park capital funds of \$75,000 apiece.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-632

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F; RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: September 11, 2015

Type of Action: Lease Renewal Authorization

Bill Summary: The ordinance approves and authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the City, that certain Sovereignty Submerged Lands Fee Waived Lease Renewal (BOT No. 16227289) between the City of Jacksonville and the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida for the purpose of operating a 78-slip public marina in conjunction with an upland park and sports complex for a 5-year term at no cost.

Background Information: The purpose of the Lease is to allow for the operation of an existing 78-slip public marina with semi-annual boat shows and other special events. The marina is to be used exclusively for the mooring of recreational vessels in conjunction with an upland park and sports complex, without fueling facilities, with a sewage pumpout facility if such meets the regulatory requirements of the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection or the State of Florida Department of Health, and without liveaboards. The 5-year renewal lease is for the Metro Park Marina at no cost.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Real Estate

Fiscal Impact: Minimal

Analyst: Jackson

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-633

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: September 11, 2015

Type of Action: R/W Closure

Bill Summary: The ordinance closes, abandons and/or disclaims a portion of the right-of-way of General Avenue between Blair Avenue and Morgan Avenue, as established in Plat Book 64, page 92, General Avenue, of the public records of Duval County, dated November 30, 2007, in Council District 12, at the request of Publix Supermarkets, Inc., subject to reservation unto the City of Jacksonville and JEA of an easement over the closed right-of-way for ingress and egress and for all utilities.

Background Information: The applicant (Publix Supermarkets, Inc.) requested the closure to allow for the applicant's future development of the site. This request was sent to various state, municipal, and utility agencies which might have an interest in the matter and there were no objections. The City has no present or future need for the right-of-way.

Policy Impact: Public Works/Real Estate

Fiscal Impact: The applicant has paid a \$1,688.00 closure application processing fee.

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor:

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: September 11, 015

Type of Action: R/W Closure

Bill Summary: The ordinance closes, abandons and/or disclaims a portion of a right-of-way for drainage and utilities adjacent to 3813 Barmer Drive, as established in Plat Book 27, page 26, Cedar Hills, of the public records of Duval County, dated July 13, 1956, in Council District 10, at the request of Thomas H. Goldsbury, Chief of the Building Inspection Division, subject to reservation unto the City of Jacksonville of an easement over the closed right-of-way for ingress and egress and for all utilities for the purpose of clearing the title of an encroachment of an outbuilding that was permitted and inspected during construction.

Background Information: The closure is requested for the purpose of clearing the title to RE# 016664-0000, 3813 Barmer Drive. The property owner, Paul E. Brown ("owner"), constructed an outbuilding

Policy Impact: Public Works/Real Estate

Fiscal Impact: No closure application fee has been paid as the applicant is a government agency exempt from the closure application fee.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0635

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President pursuant to Chapter 380, *Ordinance Code*

Date of Introduction: August 25, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: September 8, 2015

Type of Action: Approval of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CON)

Bill Summary: This bill makes findings that Clean Debris Processing and Asphalt Shingle Recycling Facility would serve the public convenience and provide needed services to the citizens of Duval County; approves the application of Duval Asphalt Products, Inc., for an initial Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity; and provides for conditions of the certificate.

Background Information: The Clean Debris Processing and Asphalt Shingle Recycling Facility is located at 6822 West 12th Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32254. The specific operating conditions of the certificate are in Exhibit 1. The comments and recommendations of representatives of the Public Works Department, the Florida Department of Health, the Planning and Development Department and the Environmental Quality Division are incorporated in Exhibit 2.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department, Regulatory Compliance Department, Planning and Development Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0636

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President pursuant to Chapter 380, *Ordinance Code*

Date of Introduction: August 25, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: September 8, 2015

Type of Action: Approval of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CON)

Bill Summary: This bill makes findings that Clean Debris Processing and Asphalt Shingle Recycling Facility would serve the public convenience and provide needed services to the citizens of Duval County; approves the application of Duval Asphalt Products, Inc., for an initial Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity; and provides for conditions of the certificate.

Background Information: The Clean Debris Processing and Asphalt Shingle Recycling Facility is located at 7544 Philips Highway, Jacksonville, Florida 32256. The specific operating conditions of the certificate are in Exhibit 1. The comments and recommendations of representatives of the Public Works Department, the Florida Department of Health, the Planning and Development Department and the Environmental Quality Division are incorporated in Exhibit 2.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department, Regulatory Compliance Department, Planning and Development Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-637

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

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, TEU

Date of Analysis: September 10, 2015

Type of Action: Authorization of easement conveyance

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes conveyance of 2 permanent utility easements from the City to the Clay Electric Co-op to permit the utility to provide electrical service to the Trail Ridge Landfill site.

Background Information: The two easements total approximately one acre. The Clay Electric Co-op will be providing service to the Trail Ridge Landfill site to power dewatering pumps at the borrow pit south of the main disposal cells, replacing the current system using a diesel generator to power the pumps, which is manpower-intensive. The JEA does not have any electric service lines in the far southwestern corner of the city and the Clay Co-op serves that area from a distribution line running along Maxville Macclenny Road (County Road 228).

Policy Impact Area: Trail Ridge Landfill operations

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-0638

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Wilson

Date of Introduction: August 25, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: September 8, 2015

Type of Action: Renaming Fletcher Morgan Park

Bill Summary: This bill approves renaming Fletcher Morgan Park located at 6736 Beach Boulevard, Jacksonville, Florida 32216, in Council District 4, to "San Souci Baseball Park".

Background Information: Fletcher Morgan Park is within the neighborhood boundaries of Sans Souci. The park has become one of the busiest ball fields in the city. Over the past fifty (50) years, the park has been primarily utilized for baseball activities by the Sans Souci Athletic Association. The park was initially named after a state legislator, Fletcher Morgan, from Jacksonville. Consideration in renaming the park is based on the contributions of the Sans Souci Athletic Association in the surrounding neighborhood.

Policy Impact Area: Public Works Department, Regulatory Compliance Department, Planning and Development Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-639

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

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: September 10, 2015

Type of Action: Authorization of parking license agreement; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill authorization of a parking license agreement between the City and Amkin West Bay, LLC (owner of the EverBank Center on Bay Street) for 850 parking spaces in the City's Water Street parking garage and to make certain licensee improvements to the facility. The bill designates the Office of Public Parking as the City's oversight agency for the agreement.

Background Information: Citizens Property Insurance Company has announced that it will be consolidating 1,038 workers from across the state into a new facility in the EverBank Center on Bay Street in downtown Jacksonville. A material consideration for Citizens in choosing downtown Jacksonville as its location is the availability of parking for the 1,000+ employees. This bill authorizes a license agreement with Amkin West Bay, LLC, the owner of the EverBank Center, to lease the right to park 850 company and employee vehicles in the Water Street Garage, although not in specifically reserved spaces. The license agreement also provides Amkin with a right of first refusal to license additional available parking spaces in the future as such spaces may become available. The term of the agreement is for 5 years (through 2020) at a rate of \$45 per month per licensed and used space, adjusting annually by the lesser of 3% or the CPI Index for All Urban Consumers. The agreement provides that Amkin shall pay an option price of 10% of the then-current lease rate per month for any licensed but unused spaces (850 spaces minus the number of active access cards in use that month).

The agreement grants to Amkin the right to make certain "Licensee Improvements" at its expense to accommodate the storage of several oversized vehicles (including emergency response trailers) on the ground floor of the garage. These licensee improvements include installation of security fencing and gates around the vehicle storage space, modification of an existing curb and installation of an interior ramp. Upon completion the licensee improvements shall become property of the City.

Policy Impact Area: Downtown economic development; public parking

Fiscal Impact: The license agreement provides for a rental fee of \$45 per month per active space, adjusting annually by the lesser of 3% or the CPI Index. Unused spaces will be charged an option price of 10% of the then-current lease rate per month.

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-640

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

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, R

Date of Analysis: September 10, 2015

Type of Action: Ordinance Code waiver

Bill Summary: The bill waives the provisions of Ordinance Code Section 129.101 to permit an appointed official's salary to be more than two pay grades higher than the authorized pay grade to permit a salary increase for the City Treasurer due to increases in job responsibilities.

Background Information: Ordinance Code Section 129.101 – Pay Grades, Salary Ranges, and Salaries – authorizes the Director of the Employee Services Department to recommend assignment of each appointed official in the Executive Branch to one of the existing pay grades based upon market surveys, internal equity and other relevant factors. The Mayor has final authority to assign appointed officials to pay grades. The section also provides that when an appointed official's job duties change materially, the Director of Employee Services shall recommend assignment to a new pay grade commensurate with the responsibilities; the final placement decision is the Mayor's. The section specifically prohibits reassignment of a position to pay grade more than 2 grades higher than its original level.

The City Treasurer is assuming additional duties following the departure of the City's investment manager.

Policy Impact Area: Pay grade waiver

Fiscal Impact: The waiver will allow the Treasurer position's maximum salary to increase from \$131,875.80 (pay grade 1909) to \$166,125.60 (pay grade 1912). The maximum salary without the waiver would be \$153,820 (pay grade 1911).

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-0641

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Gulliford

Date of Introduction: August 25, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 8, 2015

Type of Action: Support of amending the Zip Code Boundary

Bill Summary: This resolution supports Atlantic Beach, Florida's quest for a Zip Code Boundary Review by the United States Postal Service to change the last line of the address from Atlantic Beach to Jacksonville for properties which are not within the City of Atlantic Beach, Florida.

Background Information: The current Zip Code system was created in 1960s and does not aligned with the municipal boundaries. Some citizens (Jacksonville residents) are concerned that they receive their mail from post office in Atlantic Beach, and their mailing address reflects the name and Zip Code of this post office rather the jurisdiction which they live. In addition, citizens are frustrated with the inability to receive police services in a timely manner through the City of Atlantic Beach and have to be referred to another jurisdiction.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, Fire & Rescue Department, Planning & Development Department

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Mitchell

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-644

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of William S. Spann as Director of the Military Affairs and Veterans Department.

Background Information: Sec. 22.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Military Affairs and Veterans Officer shall have a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college or university and have at least five years of administrative experience in at least one of the areas of responsibility.

Cmdr. Spann received a bachelor's degree from Kenyon College and retired from the Navy in 2003 with 20 years of service. He has been employed with the City of Jacksonville since July as Director of Public Affairs. His prior employment includes Vice President of Procurement with *WG Pitts Company* (2013-2015), Chief Executive Officer with the *International Premium Cigars & Pipe Retailers Assn.* (2011-2013), Chief of Staff at the *Florida Office of Financial Regulation* (2009-2011), and President/Chief Executive Officer of *Associated General Contractors of Greater Florida* (2006-2009)

Policy Impact Area: Military Affairs and Veterans Department operations

Fiscal Impact: The salary range for this position is \$94,214 - \$153,819 per year and, according to information provided by the Mayor's Office, Cmdr. Spann will receive \$115,000 annually.

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-645

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Rocelia Roman de Gonzalez, as a member of the Jacksonville Human Rights Commission, for a first three year term ending December 31, 2017.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Human Rights Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 60, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to promote and encourage fair treatment and equal opportunity for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, marital or familial status; and promote mutual understanding and respect among all economic, social, racial, religious and ethnic groups; and endeavor to eliminate discrimination against, and antagonism between, religious, racial and ethnic groups and their members. Section 60.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the 20 members of the commission shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council, and shall reside or be employed in the City for their entire term.

Ms. de Gonzalez received a master's degree in education from Fordham University and is an ADA Compliance Director with the *University of North Florida*. She has previously served on the Library Board of Trustees. Ms. De Gonzalez resides in Council District #11.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Human Rights Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-646

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Lee Arsenault, as a member of the Subdivision Standards and Policy Advisory Committee, as a representative of the home-building industry, filling the seat formerly held by Charles Arnold, for a term ending November 30, 2016.

Background Information: Section 654.142(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the Subdivision Standards and Policy Advisory Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council, and that one of the members shall be a representative of the home-building industry.

Mr. Arsenault is a licensed general contractor and a Senior Project Executive with *New Leaf Construction, Inc.* He resides in the Royal Lakes area within Council District #11.

Policy Impact Area: Subdivision Standards & Policy Advisory Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-647

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Joshua A. Garrison as a member of the Subdivision Standards and Policy Advisory Committee, as a representative of the Underground Utility Contractor profession, filling a seat formerly held by James Grady, for a term ending November 30, 2018.

Background Information: Section 654.142(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the Subdivision Standards and Policy Advisory Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council. Ordinance 2015-203-E, changed the category Mr. Garrison is filling from a representative of Private Utilities to a representative of the Underground Utility Contractor profession.

Mr. Garrison holds an underground utility and excavation contractor license and is the CEO / Co-Owner of *Miranda Contracting, Inc.* He resides in the Riverside area within Council District #14.

Policy Impact Area: Subdivision Standards & Policy Advisory Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Merritt

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 9, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Stewart Galligher, as a member of the Construction Trades Qualifying Board, filling the seat formerly held by Ted Bishop, as a journeyman craftsman, for a term ending September 30, 2016.

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 the eighteen members of the Construction Trades Qualifying Board shall be residents of Duval County, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council, and three of the members shall be journeyman craftsmen.

Mr. Stewart is a licensed Journeyman HAR and is employed with *Brooks Air Systems*. He resides in the Whitehouse area within Council District #13.

Policy Impact Area: Construction Trades Qualifying Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-649

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Michael M. "Marc" Padgett, to the Downtown Investment Authority Board, as a person with business management experience, replacing Melody Bishop, for a term ending June 30, 2018.

Background Information: The Downtown Investment Authority is established pursuant to Chapter 55, Part 3, *Ordinance Code*, and charged as the sole development and community redevelopment agency for Downtown for the City of Jacksonville pursuant to Chapter 163, Part III, *Florida Statutes*. Section 55.307(b)(1), *Ordinance Code*, provides that five of the nine members of the board be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council, in various categories, including a person with management experience.

Mr. Padgett holds certified general contractor and construction financial officer licenses. He is President of *Summit Contracting Group, Inc.* and resides in the Beacon Hills area within Council District #2.

Policy Impact Area: Downtown Investment Authority Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-650

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Joni A. Poitier, as a member of the Civil Service Board, for a second three-year term ending June 30, 2018.

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

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

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

Policy Impact Area: Civil Service Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Merritt

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Carol C. Worsham, as a member of the Downtown Development Review Board, as a downtown owner representative, for a second two-year term ending June 30, 2017.

Background Information: The Downtown Development Review Board is established pursuant to Section 656.361.7, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to review and make decisions with respect to all applications for development and redevelopment within the Downtown Overlay Zone. The nine voting members of the board are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, in various categories including downtown property owners or owners of or full time employees at a business or professional office located within the downtown area.

Ms. Worsham received a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture from the University of Florida and is a Florida registered landscape architect. She is Vice President of *HDR, Inc.*, an architecture / engineering firm with a local office located in downtown. Ms. Worsham resides in the Venetia area within Council District #14.

Policy Impact Area: Downtown Development Review Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Merritt

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Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Reappointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Frederick N. Jones, AICP, as a member of the Downtown Development Review Board, for a second two-year term ending June 30, 2017.

Background Information: The Downtown Development Review Board is established pursuant to Section 656.361.7, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to review and make decisions with respect to all applications for development and redevelopment within the Downtown Overlay Zone. The nine voting members of the board are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, in various categories including urban planners.

Mr. Jones received a master's degree in urban and regional planning from Florida State University and is a Senior Planner / Project Manager with *Reynolds, Smith and Hills*. He resides in Neptune Beach within Council District #13.

Policy Impact Area: Downtown Development Review Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2015-653

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 4, 2015

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Carol S. Brock, as a member of the Public Service Grant Council, filling the seat formerly held by Melissa Adams, for a term ending December 31, 2016.

Background Information: The Public Service Grant Council is established pursuant to Chapter 118, *Ordinance Code*, and charged with the review and evaluation of all Public Service Grant applications and responsibility for making funding recommendations to the Mayor and City Council for Public Service Grants. Section 118.803, *Ordinance Code*, provides that seven of the members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council.

Ms. Brock received a master's degree in public administration from the University of North Florida and is an educator at Lone Star Elementary. She resides in the Beacon Hills area within Council District #2.

Policy Impact Area: Public Service Grant Council operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Merritt

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-654

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Gulliford

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, R

Date of Analysis: September 10, 2015

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 106 – Budget and Accounting Code – to create a new Sec. 106.506, Automobile allowance: Supervisor of Elections to provide a \$500 per month allowance.

Background Information: The Ordinance Code formerly provided for automobile allowances for all the Constitutional officers in differing amounts. When the former Supervisor of Elections opted to utilize a City fleet vehicle rather than take a monthly allowance, the section relating to an allowance for the Supervisor was deleted from the Code. The new Supervisor of Elections has opted to take a monthly auto allowance rather than drive a fleet vehicle, so the monthly allowance language needs to be restored. The Code currently provides for a vehicle allowance for the Tax Collector of \$300 per month; for the Clerk of the Courts of \$250 per month; and for the Property Appraiser of an amount “not to exceed the maximum amount per month in accordance with the mileage guidelines established in the City's Vehicle Use and Allowance Policy.”

Policy Impact Area: Supervisor of Elections operations

Fiscal Impact: The bill authorizes a monthly auto allowance of \$500.

Analyst: Clements

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2015-655

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

Date of Introduction: September 8, 2015

Committee(s) of Reference: F, RCDPHS

Date of Analysis: September 10, 2015

Type of Action: Appropriation; carry-over authorization; designation of oversight agency; request for one cycle emergency action

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$128,629.07 from the JIA Community Redevelopment Area cash carryover account to a non-departmental expenditure account to provide supplemental funding to the Recapture Enhanced Value (REV) economic development grant to RAMCO for the River City Marketplace project. The funds are authorized to carry-over to FY2015-16 and the Office of Economic Development is designated as the City's oversight agency for the project. One cycle emergency action is requested on the bill.

Background Information: In 2004 the City approved an economic development agreement with RAMCO Jacksonville LLC to incentivize construction of the River City Marketplace shopping center on Duval Road near the Jacksonville International Airport, including a REV grant based on a percentage of property taxes paid by the developer each year. In FY14-15 the City appropriated \$415,000 of JIA CRA tax increment revenue to pay the REV grant, which proved insufficient as both RAMCO's real and personal property tax levies increased substantially during calendar year 2014. The Office of Economic Development has requested appropriation of an additional \$128,629.07 to cover the additional REV grant cost from the JIA CRA's cash carryover account.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development; REV grant funding

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$128,629.07 from the JIA Community Redevelopment Area cash carryover account

Analyst: Clements