

**JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2022
JACKSONVILLE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
315 S. RAGSDALE
6:00 PM**

Meeting Items

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Randy Gorham 6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Randy Gorham, Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin, Councilman Hubert Robinson, Councilwoman Mindy Gellock

Absent: Councilman Tim McRae

INVOCATION

Rev. Doug Wintermute of the First United Methodist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE US & TEXAS FLAGS

Mayor Randy Gorham led everyone in the pledges to the United States and Texas flags.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

**EMPLOYER OF THE MONTH PRESENTED BY JEDCO
PRESIDENT SHANE PACE - TEXAS NATIONAL BANK**

JEDCO President Shane Pace presented several representatives of Texas National Bank with the Employer of the Month award.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

No one came forward.

CONSENT AGENDA - ITEMS UNDER CONSENT AGENDA REQUIRE LITTLE OR NO DELIBERATIONS BY COUNCIL. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AUTHORIZES THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEES TO PROCEED WITH CONCLUSION OF EACH ITEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Councilman Hubert Robinson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin. All voted "Aye" 4-0

MINUTES APPROVAL - JANUARY 11, 2022 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING; JANUARY 11, 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

APPROVE A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND THE JACKSONVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO HOLD AN ELECTION AT THE JACKSONVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY 526 E. COMMERCE.

APPROVE A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A MAY 7, 2022 ELECTION FOR THE POSITIONS OF COUNCIL DISTRICTS TWO AND FOUR.

APPROVE AN EQUIPMENT RENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE FOR VOTING EQUIPMENT FOR THE MAY 7, 2022 ELECTION.

APPROVE THE SOCCER AND BASEBALL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL FACILITIES AND USE LICENSES.

APPROVE A JOINT REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, JACKSONVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND NORMAN LAW FIRM.

DECLARE ITEMS SURPLUS AND APPROVE STAFF SELLING OR DISPOSING OF THOSE ITEMS.

APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF BECCA YOCHAM TO THE KEEP JACKSONVILLE BEAUTIFUL BOARD. (DISTRICT 1 APPOINTMENT)

PRESENTATION OF THE RACIAL PROFILING REPORT BY POLICE CHIEF JOE WILLIAMS.

Police Chief Joe Williams presented the council with the report. Chief Williams told the council the report and presentation to the council is required by law. Chief Williams stated he believes the report shows there is no bias-

CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED PURCHASE OF THREE (3) 2021 CHEVROLET TAHOE POLICE PURSUIT VEHICLES NOT TO EXCEED \$180,000.

PUBLIC HEARING

A) CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR A REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A CELL TOWER AT 321 E. TENA. B) CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING THE REQUEST.

PUBLIC HEARING

A) PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR AND RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING A ZONE CHANGE REQUEST FROM "P"-PLANNED DEVELOPMENT" TO "C-MULTI-FAMILY LOW DENSITY AT 600 COLLEGE AVENUE. B) CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE GRANTING REQUESTED ZONE CHANGE.

PUBLIC HEARING

A) PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR AND RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING A ZONE CHANGE REQUEST FROM "E-MULTI-FAMILY" TO "A-SINGLE FAMILY" IN THE 400 BLOCK OF TALLEY NICHOLS DRIVE. B) CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE GRANTING REQUESTED ZONE CHANGE.

PUBLIC HEARING

A) PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR AND RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT REQUEST TO ALLOW FOR A RESIDENCE IN A COMMERCIAL BUILDING AT 400 W. LARISSA. B) CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE GRANTING REQUESTED SPECIAL USE PERMIT.

PUBLIC HEARING

A) PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING A MAY 7, 2022 REFERENDUM ELECTION ON A PROPOSED PROJECT THAT INVOLVES THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS KIWANIS PARK LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE LAKE JACKSONVILLE DAM. B) CONSIDER A RESOLUTION CALLING AN ELECTION REGARDING THE ABOVE REFERENCED REFERENDUM ELECTION.

PRESENTATION BY HILLTOP SECURITIES REGARDING THE SALE OF TAX NOTES.

based policing within the department.

City Manager James Hubbard told council this purchase would replace two of the F250's currently being used by command staff and one would replace a recently totaled vehicle. Mr. Hubbard stated this was not a budgeted expense but the American Rescue Plan - Corona Virus funds would be used. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin made a motion to approve the purchase. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson. All voted "Aye" 4-0

Mayor Randy Gorham explained this was a continuation of a hearing from the January meeting. Mayor Gorham said the applicant had withdrawn the request. Mayor Gorham closed the hearing at 6:11 pm.

City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the request with the council. Mayor Randy Gorham opened the hearing at 6:13 pm. No one came forward. Mayor Gorham closed the hearing at 6:14 pm. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to approve the ordinance granting the zone change. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson. All voted "Aye".

City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the request with the council. Mayor Randy Gorham opened the hearing at 6:15 pm. Mr. Mike McEwen came forward to speak in favor of the zone change. Mr. McEwen disclosed that he does stand to profit from the sale of the property if the request is granted. Mr. McEwen stated the developer is planning on putting single family homes in this location. Mayor Randy Gorham closed the hearing at 6:16 pm. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to approve the ordinance granting the zone change. Second, by Mayor Randy Gorham. All voted "Aye"

City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the request with the council. Mayor Randy Gorham opened the hearing at 6:17 pm. No one came forward. Mayor Gorham closed the hearing at 6:18 pm. Mayor Randy Gorham made a motion to approve the ordinance granting the special use permit. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson.

Discussion: Councilwoman Mindy Gellock said she felt the council needed more information. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin asked if the applicant could provide more information. Ms. Mary Trujillo, the applicant, came forward. Ms. Trujillo stated the city had asked that they tear the building down or make repairs to it. She said she made the decision to move her boutique to this location and has made repairs to the building. She said about 2/3 of the structure would be residence and 1/3 her boutique. Councilman Hubert Robinson asked if she had parking at this location. Ms. Trujillo stated there was existing parking and they have installed an additional parking area. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin asked who owned the lot to the north of the building. Ms. Trujillo stated she did. Mayor Randy Gorham said the concern we have is people living in a commercial building. Mayor Randy Gorham then withdrew his motion, as did Councilman Robinson with his second. Mayor Gorham then reopened the hearing at 6:30pm. Mayor Gorham made a motion to continue the hearing until the March 8, 2022 council meeting. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin. All voted "Aye" 4-0

City Manager James Hubbard explained this hearing is to receive public input in regards to holding a referendum election on the sale of property that is currently known as Kiwanis Park. Mayor Randy Gorham opened the hearing at 6:32 pm. No one came forward. Mayor Gorham closed the hearing at 6:33 pm. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to approve the resolution calling for a referendum on the sale of the lots. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin. All voted "Aye" 4-0

Mayor Randy Gorham explained this item would not be addressed tonight. No action was taken.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1612: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, TEXAS, TAX NOTE, SERIES 2022; AWARDING THE SALE OF SAID NOTE; LEVYING A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SAID NOTE; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE ABANDONING AN UNUSED PORTION OF WILSON STREET BETWEEN SOUTH BONNER AND SOUTH PATTON STREETS.

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE TERMS OF AND CONDITIONS OF A SALES AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE THE CLUBHOUSE AT CHEROKEE RANCH GOLF CLUB AND AUTHORIZING JAMES HUBBARD TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY CLOSING DOCUMENTS.

CONSIDER RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION GRANT PROJECT TO THE LOW BIDDER, BELT CONSTRUCTION, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,342,110.50, CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL BY THE JEDCO BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO INPUT ADDITIONAL MATCH NECESSARY ABOVE GRANT FUNDS.

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST TO CLOSE COMMERCE STREET FROM RAGSDALE TO NECHES STREET AND S. JACKSON UNDER THE OVERPASS FOR BBQ FEST APRIL 9, 2022.

OPEN FORUM FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM-PER OPEN MEETINGS ACT-PER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION:

551.071 CONSULT CITY ATTORNEY

551.072 REAL PROPERTY

RECONVENE FOR ANY ACTION IF NECESSARY

Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin left the chamber during the discussion and recused himself from the vote on this item. City Manager James Hubbard explained the area of Wilson St. this is addressing. Mayor Randy Gorham pointed out the city had never owned the property. City Attorney Brett Brewer confirmed this. Mr. Brewer stated no dedication of the street could be found and the only record of Wilson continuing west of Bonner is the M.L. Earl 1914 map which was the "proposed" layout of city streets in Jacksonville. Mayor Gorham said the city is just "abandoning" this portion so the Railroad can sell the property. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to approve the ordinance abandoning a portion of Wilson St. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson. All voted "Aye". 3-0
Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin returned to the chambers.

City Manager James Hubbard explained this authorized him to execute the closing documents for the purchase of the clubhouse at the golf course. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin made a motion to approve the resolution. Second, by Councilwoman Mindy Gellock. 3 "Aye's". one "Nay". Motion passes 3-1.

City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the history of the project with the council. Mr. Hubbard explained this was placed up for bid for the second time. The low bid this time was Belt Construction for \$1, 347, 110.50. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin made a motion to award the project to Belt Construction contingent upon JEDCO approving the additional grant match funds. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson.
Discussion: Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin asked how much above the original commitment by JEDCO would be needed. JEDCO President Shane Pace stated the project was \$420,000 above the original estimate. All voted "Aye" 4-0

City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the request with the council. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin made a motion to approve the street closure. Second, by Councilwoman Mindy Gellock. All voted "Aye" 4-0

Mayor Randy Gorham pointed out he and Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin have been attending the citizen's police academy and they are enjoying it very much.

City Manager James Hubbard told everyone our new emergency notice system "Rave" is up and running. Mr. Hubbard showed everyone the new library logo. Mr. Hubbard commended the sesquicentennial committee for their work and reviewed the event dates for this year's celebration. Mr. Hubbard confirmed the location of the new Starbucks.

6:50 PM

8:01 PM

Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to authorize the city attorney to negotiate an agreement to revise the industrial park lease for Coilco Tool & Die Inc. to 2% of the value of the land on the Cherokee County tax roll. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin. All voted "Aye" 4-0.

Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to authorize the city manager to purchase real property of .051 acres near Hwy. 79 East for administrative purposes. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin. All voted "Aye" 4-0.

8:03 PM

Randy Gorham, Mayor
City of Jacksonville

Greg Lowe, City Secretary

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