

JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023
JACKSONVILLE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
315 S. RAGSDALE
6:00 PM

Meeting Items

**5:15 PM 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

**551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS - CITY ATTORNEY
ANNUAL REVIEW**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Randy Gorham 6:00 pm

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

INVOCATION

Joshua Nicks of The People's Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE US & TEXAS FLAGS

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

**A) EMPLOYER OF THE MONTH PRESENTED BY
JEDCO PRESIDENT SHANE PACE - SUPER 1 FOODS**

**Mrs. Sherry McDonald presented Mr. Chris Felt of Super 1
Foods with the Business of the Month award.**

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

**Ms. Lilly Flanders came forward with concerns regarding
the library. She would like the library to have a more inviting
theme and additional seating. She would like to see
improvements to the restrooms. She stated she feels the turtle
enclosure is too small. She would also like to see public skills
training programs at the library.
Mr Charles Flanders came forward stating there is a need
for homeschoolers to use school facilities. He asked the
council to take into consideration the negative impact of
corporations coming into our community, not just the
positive aspects.**

**A) PRESENTATION OF THE 2021-2022 FINANCIAL
AUDIT BY PATILLO, BROWN, AND HILL
B) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
REGARDING THE FINDINGS OF THE AUDIT**

**Mr. Cameron Aaron, with Patillo, Hill and Brown presented
the council with the 2021-2022 audit. Mr. Aaron stated the
audit has an unmodified, or clean, opinion. Mr Aaron said
they found no deficiencies in our internal controls.
Councilman Tim McRae made a motion to accept the
findings of the audit. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin.
All voted "Aye"**

**ANY ACTION OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION IF
NECESSARY**

No action was taken.

**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**

**City Manager James Hubbard told the council the dates on
the sports associations licensing agreement had some dates
changed from what is in their packet. Councilman Hubert
Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes. Second, by
Councilwoman Mindy Gellock. All voted "Aye"**

**MINUTES APPROVAL - FEBRUARY 14, 2023 REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING; MARCH 3, 2023 SPECIAL
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING; MARCH 9, 2023
AGENDA WORKSHOP**

**APPROVE A RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE
MEETING FREQUENCY OF THE FINANCE
COMMITTEE**

**APPROVE AN ORDINANCE CODIFYING AMBULANCE
FEES**

**APPROVE A STREET CLOSURE FOR THE GLOW RUN,
THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023 AT 5:30 PM**

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APPROVE AN ORDINANCE CANCELLING THE MAY 6, 2023 MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND DECLARING ALL CANDIDATES ELECTED

APPROVE A RESOLUTION ADOPTING FISCAL AND BUDGETARY POLICIES

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION APPROVING THE SPORT LEAGUE LICENSING AGREEMENTS WITH JACKSONVILLE BASEBALL/SOFTBALL AND SOCCER ASSOCIATIONS

A) CONTINUATION OF A PUBLIC HEARING - HEAR AND RECEIVE INPUT REGARDING A REQUESTED ZONE CHANGE FROM "B" ONE AND TWO FAMILY TO "C" MULTI FAMILY WITH SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR 1521 E. RUSK TO ALLOW FOR AN ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY

B) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION AN ORDINANCE GRANTING THE REQUESTED REZONING AND SPECIAL USE PERMIT

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION AWARDDING THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL OF THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK FOR THE REMODEL OF THE CIVIC CENTER

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO WELL NUMBER FIVE

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION APPROVING A VENDOR TO ACT AS THE CITY DEPOSITORY

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION BOARD APPOINTMENTS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES - SEE EXHIBIT "A" IN THE MEETING PACKET

Mayor Randy Gorham told everyone the public hearing was still open, carrying over from our February meeting. City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the requested zone change and special use permit with the city council. Mr. Hubbard said three members of the planning and zoning board all voted for the zone change. Mr. Mike McEwen said to be sure they do an environmental site assessment. Mayor Randy Gorham stated he was abstaining from this vote because his property backs up to this property and that creates a conflict of interest. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin pointed out this property has been vacant for several years.

Mr. Charles Flanders asked if they could come in and do something other than a convalescent home. Mr. Hubbard said they could do anything allowed under the requested zoning of "C" multi-family. Mr. Flanders said he was not in favor of the request. Mayor Randy Gorham closed the public hearing at 6:31 pm. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock said she is not comfortable with not knowing for sure what the intended use could ultimately be. Mr. James Hubbard said this request could be denied and the applicant could pursue a planned development designation. This would allow the council to impose whatever restrictions they wished in regards to the use of the property. Councilman Tim McRae stated he would like to see the planned development option pursued. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to deny the requested zone change and special use permit. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson. Councilman Tim McRae said he would like to revisit the request because he would like to see the property operating as a nursing home.

Mr. McRae stated this is not saying no to the nursing home, it is just saying no to the zoning change. All voted "Aye" 4-0

City Manager James Hubbard told the council that the city received four proposals and staff is recommending taking no action on the item to allow for more time to review the proposals. No action was taken.

City Manager James Hubbard told the council that well #5 had some sort of power surge that had damaged the pump. Mr. Hubbard stated the city did receive an affidavit stating the damage came from a power surge, so this should be paid for through an insurance claim. Mr. Hubbard said the bid opening for the project will be on Friday. Mr. Hubbard stated that staff is seeking the authorization so work can begin as soon as possible after the bid opening. Mr. Hubbard stated the contractor would have four weeks after the award of the bid to complete the project.

City Manager James Hubbard told the council the city goes out for depository proposals every five years. Mr. Hubbard said this year the city received two proposals. Mr. Hubbard said Prosperity Bank, our current bank, and Austin Bank both submitted proposals and staff is recommending awarding the contract to Austin Bank. Councilman Tim McRae made a motion to award the depository contract to Austin Bank. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin. All voted "Aye"

City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the various boards and commissions with the council. Mr. Hubbard reviewed the various appointments and re-appointments with the council. Councilman Tim McRae made a motion to approve the appointments and re-appointments. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin asked about residency in regards to the Keep Jacksonville Beautiful board because one appointment is moving to Athens, even though he is keeping his home here. City Clerk Greg Lowe stated there are no residency requirements in the

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING FOR 45 DAYS THE EFFECTIVE DATE PROPOSED BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS – BEAUMONT/EAST TEXAS DIVISION, IN ITS APPLICATION FILED ON OR ABOUT MARCH 2, 2023, PURSUANT TO SECTION 104.301 OF THE GAS UTILITY REGULATORY ACT.

OPEN FORUM FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CITY MANAGER REPORT

ADJOURN

KJB by-laws.

City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the purpose of the resolution with the council. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to approve the resolution delaying the CenterPoint GRIP rate increase by 45 days. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin. All voted "Aye"

None

City Manager James Hubbard told everyone the Sea Scout Park was recently cleaned up. Mr. Hubbard reminded everyone of the March 25 clean up day. Mr. Hubbard stated the remaining lake lots are up for sale. Mr. Hubbard introduced a new clean up program to everyone. He said there would be a yard debris pick up every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

6:45 pm

Randy Gorham, Mayor
City of Jacksonville

Greg Lowe, City Clerk