

JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 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

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

Councilman Hubert Robinson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE US & TEXAS FLAGS

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATION –

**BUSINESS OF THE MONTH PRESENTED BY JEDCO
PRESIDENT SHANE PACE - FEDERAL HEATH**

**Mrs. Sherry McDonald with JEDCO presented Federal
Heath employees with the award.**

**A PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING APRIL 9-15 AS
NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS
WEEK PRESENTED BY MAYOR RANDY GORHAM**

**Mayor Randy Gorham presented members of the emergency
telecommunicators department with a resolution proclaiming
April 9-15 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators
Week.**

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 2023 AS CHILD
ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IN JACKSONVILLE -
PRESENTED BY MAYOR RANDY GORHAM TO
RAMONA JOHNSON, COMMUNITY EDUCATOR WITH
CRISIS CENTER OF ANDERSON AND CHEROKEE
COUNTIES**

**Mayor Randy Gorham presented Ms. Ramona Johnson with
a resolution Declaring April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention
Month in Jacksonville.**

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

**Mrs. Kathleen Stanfill came forward to comment on how
proud she is of how certain parts of Jacksonville are looking.**

**A) SECOND READING OF A RESOLUTION IN
SUPPORT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
INCENTIVES**

**B) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE
ACTION A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES**

**City Manager James Hubbard read the resolution at 6:12
pm. Mr. Hubbard reviewed the projects covered by the
resolution. They included an amount not to exceed \$150,000
to Bois D'Arc International Inc. for the creation and
retention of 29 jobs, an amount not to exceed \$175,000 for the
purchase of real property at 218 E. Commerce St. to provide
additional parking downtown and an amount not to exceed
\$49,000 for a feasibility study for a multi-purpose event
center in Jacksonville. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin made a
motion to approve the resolution in support of economic
development incentives. Second, by Councilwoman Mindy
Gellock. All voted "Aye"**

**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 Councilman Tim McRae. All
voted "Aye"**

**MINUTES APPROVAL - MARCH 14, 2023 CITY
COUNCIL MEETING; APRIL 6, 2023 AGENDA
WORKSHOP**

**APPROVE A STREET CLOSURE FOR THE TACO
COOKOFF MAY 6, 2023**

**RESOLUTION STATING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL
HAS REVIEWED THE INVESTMENT POLICY AND
INVESTMENT STRATAGIES**

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**APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY'S
USE OF PURCHASING COOPS**

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

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION
AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE FILTER
UPGRADE AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT**

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION
AWARDING THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT
RISK FOR THE CIVIC CENTER REMODEL**

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION
AWARDING THE DEMOLITION CONTRACT FOR
CONDEMNED STRUCTURES**

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION
AWARDING THE CONTRACT OF THE
REHABILITATION WORK ON WELL #3 GROUND
STORAGE TANK**

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION
SELLING THREE OF THE CITY'S FLEET VEHICLES**

POLICY UPDATES - NEPOTISM AND PART-TIME EMPLOYEE HOLIDAY PAY AND PTO

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WITH POSSIBLE ACTION A RESOLUTION FOR SUBMISSION OF A 2023-2024 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS. THE GRANT FUNDS, IF AWARDED, WILL BE USED TO FUND A SYCAMORE STREET SEWER IMPROVEMENT AND A NICHOLS GREEN PARK SEWER MAIN REPLACEMENT.

OPEN FORUM FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to authorize the city manager to negotiate and execute a license agreement for the rodeo arena. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson. All voted "Aye"

City Manager James Hubbard told council the bid for the filter replacement came in at \$311,500 and the project was budgeted at \$261,000. Mr. Hubbard said Public and Community Services Director Randall Chandler had postponed two other projects to make up the difference. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin made a motion to approve the award of the contract as recommended by the staff. Second, by Councilwoman Mindy Gellock. All voted "Aye"

City Manager James Hubbard told the council staff had issued a request for proposal in regards to the remodel of the civic center. Mr. Hubbard stated the staff is recommending SCI Construction be awarded the contract. Councilman Tim McRae made a motion to award the contract to SCI Construction. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson. All voted "Aye"

City Manager James Hubbard told council 20 homes had been condemned by the board of adjustments and this item is the result of a bid request issued by the staff. Mr. Hubbard said two different companies are being recommended for two separate groups of houses. Mr. Hubbard stated the bids came back at \$120,000 and there was \$50,000 in the budget. Mr. Hubbard said JEDCO is adding an additional \$50,000 to assist in the demolitions. Mr. Hubbard said these demolitions would run across fiscal years. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to award the demolitions as recommended by the staff. Second, by Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin. All voted "Aye"

City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the timeline of the project with the council. Mr. Hubbard told the council the bids ranged from \$369,550 to over \$1,000,000. Mr. Hubbard said this was more than what was budgeted and fund reserve would be used to pay the difference. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin made a motion to award the contract as recommended by the staff. Second, by Councilman Tim McRae. All voted "Aye"

Councilman Tim McRae recused himself from the discussion and the vote on this item. City Manager James Hubbard said the bid for the fleet vehicles included a buy-back clause. Mr. Hubbard reviewed the price for each vehicle with the council. Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin made a motion to approve the sale of the vehicles. Second, by Councilman Hubert Robinson. All voted "Aye" 4-0

Assistant City Manager ReNissa Wade reviewed the changes to the policies with the council. Councilwoman Mindy Gellock made a motion to approve the changes to the policies. Second, by Councilman Tim McRae. All voted "Aye"

City Manager James Hubbard told the council this resolution approves the application for a 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant for two sewer improvement projects on Sycamore St. and Nichols Green Park. Councilman Tim McRae made a motion to approve the resolution. Second, by Councilwoman Mindy Gellock. All voted "Aye"

Mayor Pro tem Rob Gowin pointed out the BBQ fest was a success. Police Chief Joe William said it raised over \$14,000.

City Manager James Hubbard said Bella's Heart donated

beds to the animal shelter. Mr. Hubbard said the clean up day was a huge success and fourteen thirty yard rolloffs were filled. Mr. Hubbard told everyone the rescue camp was coming up June 12-14. Mr. Hubbard told everyone the swearing in ceremony for Mayor and Council would be at the May council meeting.

6: 30 pm

Randy Gorham, Mayor
City of Jacksonville

Greg Lowe, City Clerk

ADJOURN