

JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2024
JACKSONVILLE CITY HALL EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
315 S. RAGSDALE
12:00 PM

Meeting Items

CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Mayor Randy Gorham Present: Mayor Randy Gorham, Mayor Pro tem Tim McRae, Councilman Rob Gowin, Councilwoman Mindy Gellock, and Councilwoman Letitia Horace
INVOCATION	Mayor Randy Gorham, City of Jacksonville, Texas performed the invocation
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION	No one came forward.
REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE AGENDA FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 08 DAY OF OCTOBER, 2024 (SEE ATTACHED PROPOSED AGENDA) NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN – ITEMS MAY BE REMOVED OR ADDED TO THE PROPOSED AGENDA BY CITY COUNCIL, CITY MANAGER, CITY ATTORNEY OR CITY CLERK AS NEEDED ANY TIME BEFORE THE OFFICIAL POSTING OF MEETING AGENDA	City Manager James Hubbard reviewed the upcoming Tuesday, October 8, 2024, agenda with the City Council. No action was taken. The highlights are as follows: 1. JEDCO will present the Business of the Month to Cherokee Ranch Golf Club 2. The City Council is scheduled to approve the 2025 Holiday Calendar and provide direction regarding the observance of Veterans Day or move the City Council Meeting set for the same day. The City Council had a general discussion and seemed to have general consent to move the day of observation for Veterans Day to Monday versus Tuesday. The final decision will be made at the October 8, 2024, City Council meeting. 3. Staff to declare several items for surplus (Fire Department - Ambulance and Police Department 2 pursuit vehicles). Based on age and previous disposal revenues, it is expected that the ambulance will sell for \$65-80k, whereas the pursuit vehicles are estimated at \$5k each. All revenue received will go into the Vehicle Equipment Replacement Fund. 4. Staff is requesting the approval of the purchase of three (3) pursuit rated vehicles which were approved during the budget process. 5. Request that the City Council approve a write-off value of \$59,000. Last year the approval request was \$49,000. Although the request is higher than last year, it is lower than the historical average. The City experienced years as high as \$200,000. The City Manager assured the City Council that efforts will continue to be made to secure repayment of the debt. Individuals that have a write-off will not be allowed to re-instate services without full payoff. It should be noted that the City is reviewing how to handle rental property as many addresses have multiple write-offs due to renters leaving without paying the bill. Another strategy being considered is sending the write-offs to collections. Comment - Mayor Gorham - North Cherokee holds the owner of the home responsible for the meter tap. They require a \$50.00 deposit in addition to the \$150.00 membership fee. Just something to consider. 8. Neal Holland was present to give an update regarding the construction of the Sunnysdale Street lift station SEP project. The City received an enforcement action from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to remedy an issue in the area. This project will bring the City into compliance with the enforcement action. Additionally, the fine assessed by the enforcement action has been approved to be applied to the cost of the project. 9. Requested zone change from B (one and two family) to G (commercial) with a special use permit to allow for mental health and substance abuse facility. The item was presented before the Planning and Zoning Commission. All members were in attendance and all members voted against the change. The neighbors were present and spoke against the

item and plan to do the same at the October 8, 2024, City Council meeting.

Comment - Councilman Letitia Horace - I have met with the applicant and spoken with my constituents. Based on both inputs I do not feel that I can support the application.

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, DISCUSSION

None

ADJOURN

Mayor Randy Gorham adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.