

City Council Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2021
Jacksonville, Alabama

The City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met for a Council Meeting on January 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. virtually via Zoom meeting. Council President Tony K. Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:23 p.m. Upon roll call, the following Council Members were present: Coty Galloway, Andrew Green, Sherry Laster, and Terry Wilson. Mayor Johnny L. Smith, City Administrator Albertha Grant, City Attorney Richard Rhea, and City Clerk Brenda Sandoval were present.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Laster, to approve the Minutes from the December 21, 2020 Regular Work Session and Council Meeting. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA.

City Administrator noted there were amendments to the Agenda as follows:

Main Agenda:

Add:

Item 10a: Consideration of Resolution approving the City of Jacksonville's participation in the State of Alabama Sales and Use Tax Holiday as authorized by Alabama Act No. 2012.256 for the Year 2021.

Item 14a: Consider action to approve the use of up to 80 hours of Emergency Sick Leave (ESL), with pay, for all City and Water Works, Gas and Sewer Board employees to begin January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021.

A motion was made by Council Member Green, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. The Council President asked for comments concerning current Agenda items. There was none.

SUSPEND THE RULES FOR THE IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE THAT COMPLETELY AMENDS AND REPLACES SECTION 22-37, AXLES, TO BE SECTION 22-37, ESTABLISHING TRUCK ROUTES AND LIMITING HEAVY VEHICLE TRAFFIC ON CITY STREETS.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve suspending the rules for the immediate consideration of an ordinance that completely

amends and replaces Section 22-37, Axles, to be Section 22-37, Establishing Truck Routes and Limiting Heavy Vehicle Traffic on City Streets, in the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

ORDINANCE THAT COMPLETELY AMENDS AND REPLACES SECTION 22-37, AXLES, TO BE SECTION 22-37, ESTABLISHING TRUCK ROUTES AND LIMITING HEAVY TRAFFIC ON CITY STREETS.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve an Ordinance that completely amends and replaces Section 22-37, Axles, to be Section 22-37, Establishing Truck Routes and Limiting Heavy Traffic on City Streets, in the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA SALES AND USE TAX HOLIDAY AS AUTHORIZED BY ALABAMA ACT NO. 2012-256 FOR THE YEAR 2021.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve a Resolution for the City of Jacksonville's participation in the State of Alabama Sales and Use Tax Holiday as authorized by Alabama Act No. 2012-256 for the Year 2021. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

BID REPORT FOR BID NO. 21-04, TRANE SYSTEM SCHEDULED SERVICES & MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR EQUIPMENT AND CONTROLS AT THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX;

RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID NO. 21-04 TO TRANE U.S. INC., DBA TRANE. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to accept the Bid Report for Bid No. 21-04, Trane Systems Scheduled Service & Maintenance Agreement for Equipment and Controls at the Public Safety Complex and approve a Resolution to award Bid No. 21-04 to Trane U.S. Inc., dba Trane, at a cost of \$46,828.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign any necessary documents. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

HOME INSPECTION REPORT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1001 10th AVENUE, NE, JACKSONVILLE, ALABAMA.

A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to accept the Home Inspection Report for the property located at 1001 10th Avenue, NE, Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

AGREEMENT FOR EXAMINATION SERVICES WITH RIVERTREE SYSTEMS, INC. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Laster, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement for Examination Services with Rivertree Systems, Inc., per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

ANNUAL 2021 SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH CORNERSTONE WARRANTY, SERVICE & SUPPLY. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Laster, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Annual 2021 Service and Maintenance Agreement with Cornerstone Warranty, Service & Supply for security locking system and security control at the Public Safety Complex, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

EMERGENCY SICK LEAVE (ESL), WITH PAY, FOR ALL CITY AND WATER WORKS, GAS AND SEWER BOARD EMPLOYEES. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve the use of up to 80 hours of ESL, with pay, for all City and Water Works, Gas and Sewer Board employees to begin January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

TERMINATION OF POLICE OFFICER EVAN ONTIVEROS DUE TO THE UNFORTUNATE OFF-DUTY ACCIDENT. A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to approve the termination of Police Officer Evan Ontiveros due to the unfortunate off-duty accident rendering him incapable of performing the duties and responsibilities of a Police Officer, effective December 29, 2020. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: Council Member Taylor, Council Member Galloway, Council Member Laster, and Council Member Wilson; Nays: None; Abstains: Council Member Green. The Council President announced the motion carried.

CONSOLIDATED ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS. A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve the following:

PURCHASES OVER \$5,000.00.

1. FIRE.

- a. \$12,033.84 to Sunbelt Fire for the purchase of firetruck equipment (fire tax).
- b. \$192,755.00 to Demers Ambulance USA, Inc. for the purchase of a new Demers Type I MXP170 Ambulance (H-GAC Contract).

OTHER PERSONNEL ITEMS.

1. EMPLOYMENT.

- a. Christopher John Nastally, Police Officer, Range 18, effective upon compliance with Ordinance NO. 273, due to the termination of Evan Ontiveros.

2. RECLASSIFICATION.

- a. Christian Lopez, Part-Time Firefighter/EMT, Range 11, effective January 20, 2021. Mr. Lopez is currently a Full-Time Firefighter/EMT.

Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: Council Member Taylor, Council Member Galloway, Council Member Laster, and Council Member Wilson; Nays: None; Abstains: Council Member Green.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR GENERAL ITEMS. The Council President asked for comments concerning general items. There was one.

- Clara Valtorta, 604 9th Ave NE: Public comment sent via email. Explained to the Council her idea of hiring someone as a Public Information Officer to take care of the City's social media accounts and relaying important information to the citizens. Mrs. Valtorta suggested using interns. Included the idea of hiring someone who does PR and grant writing, since grant writing is a topic that comes up often in complaints and suggestions.

COUNCIL MEMBER REMARKS. The Council President asked for comments. There was one.

- Council Member Green first wanted to relay the message that Council Member Galloway had lost his connection at this time. Also, wanted to express his approval of the idea of using students to help the City move forward in the social media world.

MAYOR'S REPORT.

- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day:** Monday, January 18, 2021; City Offices closed.

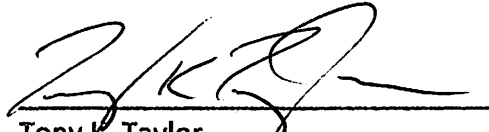
OTHER BUSINESS. The Council President asked if there was any other business.

- City Administrator Grant verified through City Attorney Richard Rhea that Council Member Green can abstain from voting on the Consolidated Administrative Items. City Attorney stated that when a vote is cast, the members have three options on how to vote and he is in his right to abstain.
- Mayor Smith wanted to let the Council know he will be speaking at the virtual Exchange Club Meeting on Thursday, January 14, 2021 and Mrs. Grant will be hosting the meeting. If anyone would like to attend to let her know and an invite can be sent out.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Laster, to adjourn the meeting. The Council President announced the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.




Brenda Sandoval
City Clerk


Tony K. Taylor
Council President

