

**City Council  
Work Session Minutes  
Jacksonville, Alabama  
October 10, 2022**

The Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met on October 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Court Room of the Public Safety Complex, 911 Public Safety Drive SW, Jacksonville, Alabama for a Regular Work Session. Council President Tony Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. The following Council Members were present: Coty Galloway and Terry Wilson. The following Council Members were absent: Andrew Green and Sherry Laster. Mayor Johnny L. Smith, City Administrator Albertha Grant, City Attorney Richard Rhea, and City Clerk Brenda Long were present.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES.** No changes to the minutes.

**SIDEWALK PROJECT GRANT – MARK STEPHENS.** Received letter awarding the Grant for the sidewalk project, an extension along George Douthit and James Hopkins. Grant funding is \$800,000.00 with the city paying approximately \$200,000.00. Hopefully will begin in late spring and be a summer project.

**JPWP #21-100, RESURFACING HENRY ROAD SW AND COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE SW TO FAIRWAY DRIVE SW – MARK STEPHENS.** Project came in above cost. City portion has increased to \$275,600.00 and will need to add Amendment #3 to the JPWP to move forward with the project. Council agrees to add this to the agenda for voting tonight.

**CITY HALL UPDATE – MARK STEPHENS.** Earthwork is complete. Retaining wall contractor should be in town the middle of next week. Currently, they are about a month ahead of schedule.

**COMMUNITY SIGN UPDATE – MARK STEPHENS.** Presented Council with a proof of what the first sign for the Eastwood Community will look like. Total cost for each sign is \$219.20. Eastwood will have 3 signs.

**HVAC AT COMMUNITY CENTER – JANIS BURNS.** Met with Randy Horton with Mechanical Engineers. Cost to redo the HVAC will be approximately \$240,000.00 with up to an 8.5% engineer fee. Engineer recommended starting over and putting into the Community Center the same thing we are putting into the new City Hall. This will need to be bid out. Council agrees to have Janis move forward with bidding the project out.


**2023 SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS TAX HOLIDAY.** Council agrees to participate in the 2023 Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday. Will add to the agenda at the October 24, 2022, meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS.**

- Council Member Wilson asked about the possibility of digging a well to keep water in the pond at the Public Safety Complex. Mark Stephens was asked to check with the well digger and get back with the Council.
- Janis Burns asked about the date for JaxFest. Council decided to celebrate it on Monday, July 3, 2023.
- Fire Chief Kadle asked when the city will be celebrating Halloween. Mayor Smith stated it will be on October 31, 2022.

**ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Brenda Long  
City Clerk

  
Tony Taylor  
Council President

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