

**City Council Meeting Minutes  
January 23, 2023  
Jacksonville, Alabama**

The City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met for a Council Meeting on January 23, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Court Room at the Public Safety Complex, 911 Public Safety Drive, Jacksonville, Alabama. Council President Tony K. Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:39 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 Attorney Richard Rhea, and City Clerk Brenda Long were present.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES.** A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve the Minutes from the January 9, 2023, 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 17a: Consider action to authorize the Mayor to sign the Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of two (2) Diesel Exhaust Fans for each Fire Station.***

***Delete:***

***12. Consider action to authorize the Mayor to sign the Professional Services Agreement with TTL, for Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring at the Landfill, per the attached.***

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Green, 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.

**PROCLAMATION/RECOGNITION.** Read by Council Member Laster and presented to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS.** The Council President asked for comments concerning current Agenda items. There was one.

- Marita Watson: President of the BOE spoke on the topic of the City of Jacksonville Scholarships.

**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION FOR YAMATO STEAK HOUSE.**

The Council President announced the Public Hearing regarding the rezoning of the Retail On-Premise and Lounge Liquor License application of Yamato AL Inc (Stanley Tung), d/b/a Yamato Steak House located at 105 Mountain Street, NW, Jacksonville, Alabama. Public Hearing started at 7:47 p.m. with Council President asking for comments. There was one.

- Stanley Tung, owner of Yamato Steak House: Spoke on behalf of the Liquor License for Yamato Steak House.

The Council President closed the Public Hearing at 7:48 p.m.

**LIQUOR LICENSE FOR YAMATO STEAK HOUSE.** A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Laster, to approve the Retail On-Premise and Lounge Liquor License application of Yamato AL Inc. (Stanley Tung), d/b/a Yamato Steak House located at 105 Mountain Street, NW, Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**BID NO. 23-04 AND RESOLUTION NO. R-2163-23.** A motion was made by Council Member Green, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to accept the Bid Report for Bid No. 23-04, Purchase and Delivery of ADA Mobile Restroom Trailer(s) and approve Resolution No. R-2163-23 awarding Bid No. 23-04 to J & B Luxlavs. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**TTL AGREEMENT.** Deleted.

**EAST ALABAMA REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FY2023 GRANT AGREEMENT.** A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to authorize the Mayor to sign the FY2023 Grant Agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission Area Agency on Aging, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**DR. JOSHUA WILLIAMS MEDICAL DIRECTOR AGREEMENT.** A motion was made by Council Member Green, seconded by Council Member Laster, to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Dr. Joshua Williams to serve as medical director for the Fire Department, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION NORTH ALABAMA SAFE STREET TASK FORCE**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.** A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Green, to authorize the Chief of Police to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Federal Bureau of Investigation North Alabama Safe Street Task Force, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION NORTH ALABAMA SAFE STREET TASK FORCE COST**

**REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT.** A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Laster, to authorize the Chief of Police to sign the Cost Reimbursement Agreement with the Federal Bureau of Investigation North Alabama Safe Street Task Force, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**JPWP NO. 23-113.** A motion was made by Council Member Green, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to approve JPWP No. 23-113, Community Center HVAC Installation, Phase I, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT.** A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of two (2) Diesel Exhaust Fans for each Fire Station. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**CITY OF JACKSONVILLE SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES.** A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Laster, to approve the revised City of Jacksonville Guidelines for High School students, per the attached. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**EMPLOYMENT.** A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Laster, to approve the employment of the following:

- a. Breanna Finley, Part-Time Laborer in PARD, effective January 25, 2023, due to the reassignment of Ja Taj Morris.

Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**RESIGNATION.** A motion was made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Galloway, to accept the resignation of the following:

- a. Houston Conger, Part-Time Firefighter/EMT, effective January 9, 2023.

Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried.

**RETIREMENT.** A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Green, to accept the retirement notification of the following:

- a. Easton Parker, Laborer in Street Dept., effective March 1, 2023.

Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None. 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:

**RECORDS DISPOSAL.**

**1. FIRE.**

- a. Fire/Emergency Medical Service Patient Care Reports 2012-2015.
- b. Fire Hydrant Master List 2010-2013.
- c. Fire Hydrant Inspection Reports 2002, 2006, 2008-2009, 2011.
- d. Apparatus Inspection Reports 2006, 2008, 2010.
- e. Employee Work Schedules 2011-2016.
- f. Employee Certification Files 2010-2013, 2015.
- g. Unsuccessful Applications 2016.
- h. Records Documenting Fire Department Payrolls 2011-2013.
- i. Training Files 2012-2016.
- j. Pre-Payroll Reports 2015-2017.
- k. Leave and Attendance Records Timesheets 2015-2017.

**BOARD/COMMITTEES.**

**1. APPOINTMENTS.**

- a. Joseph Munster, Zoning Board of Adjustment, to fill the unexpired term of Quinn Wilson, with term to expire April 2024.
- b. Karen Gregg, Commercial Development Authority, with term to expire March 2027.
- c. Dawn Wilcek, Planning Commission, with term to expire May 2028.

**2. REAPPOINTMENTS.**

- a. Ray Creek, Zoning Board of Adjustment, with term to expire April 2025.

Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: All; Nays: None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR GENERAL ITEMS.** The Council President asked for comments concerning general items. There was none.

**COUNCIL MEMBER REMARKS.** The Council President asked for comments. There were two.

- Council Member Green, in honor of January being National Board Member Month, thanked the BOE for their leadership in the City School system.
- Council Member Laster invited everyone to the Black History Month celebration, February 19, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. at the Jacksonville Community Center.

**MAYOR'S REPORT.**


- Thanked everyone for being here.

**OTHER BUSINESS.** The Council President asked if there was any other business. There was none.

**CONSIDER ACTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.** A motion was made by Council Member Galloway, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to adjourn into an Executive Session under the provisions of the Code of Alabama Section 36-25A-7(a)(6) to discuss consideration of the purchase, sale, or lease of real property and Section 36-25A-7(a)(7) to discuss preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce regarding economic development. Upon roll call vote of the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: Council President Taylor, Council Member Galloway, Council Member Green, Council Member Wilson, and Council Member Laster; Nays: None. The Council President announced the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Brenda Long  
City Clerk

  
Tony K. Taylor  
Council President