

**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting
held Monday, April 21, 2014, at 7:00 P.M.
in the Council Chambers, 11 North 3rd Street,
Jacksonville Beach, Florida.**



AS AMENDED

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Charlie Latham called the meeting to order.

OPENING CEREMONIES:

Invocation was by Council Member Vogelsang; followed by the Salute to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor: William C. Latham

Council Members:	Keith Doherty	Steve Hartkemeyer	Christine Hoffman
	Tom Taylor	Phil Vogelsang	Jeanell Wilson

Also present were City Manager George Forbes, City Department Directors, City Clerk Judy Bullock, and Cathy Martinich, City Clerk's Office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, and passed, to approve the following minutes, as presented:

- **Regular City Council Meeting held April 7, 2014**
- **City Council Workshop held April 7, 2014**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Pro-Tem Tom Taylor –

- Mr. Taylor attended a Community Town Meeting at Fletcher High School, called by Duval County School Board Member, Fel Lee, and said it was well attended by council members, parents, and students.
- Mr. Taylor attended a meeting at the American Legion and said there would be another Memorial Day Celebration held in Mayport, at the Atlantic Boulevard and Mayport Road Post.
- Mr. Taylor represented Mayor Latham at a meeting called by Bill Guilliford, Jacksonville City Council, at the Jacksonville University (JU) Campus, to discuss possible improvements

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to the Town Village of Mayport. Mr. Guilliford has proposed that the Marine Science Center partner with the Duval County School Board, to be the first project.

Mayor Latham –

- Mayor Latham said progress has been made with the drainage concerns and A1A flooding issues, after meeting with Senators Gibson and Bean, Representatives Adkins and Fuller in Tallahassee. Mayor Latham thanked Senator Audrey Gibson for the introduction to Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Secretary Prasad. Mayor Latham has requested \$600,000 in state funding from Secretary Prasad, for an engineering study to determine the work needed to fix the drainage issues on A1A. He also met with FDOT District 2 Secretary Evans, and discussed meeting with City Staff to coordinate a plan and timeline for the project.
- Mayor Latham attended the 40th Anniversary Celebration of Pablo Towers on Friday, April 11th.
- Mayor Latham participated in “Lauren’s Walk”, with Founder Lauren Book, Sheriff Rutherford, and Tax Collector Mike Corrigan. Lauren is in her fifth year of walking from Key West to Tallahassee, to bring awareness to fight child abuse.
- Mayor Latham met with Kurtis Loftis and his team as they worked on advanced preparation of the 2014 “Deck the Chairs” holiday event. He thanked City Manager George Forbes for his assistance on the project. Mr. Forbes said that he would be bringing a request to the Council on a future agenda, to approve \$25,000 that the City would pay toward the decorations.
- Mayor and Kathryn Latham attended the Fourth Fleet Change of Command where Admiral Harris was relieved by Admiral Balance.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS

- Ken Marsh, 2027 Gail Avenue, Jacksonville Beach

Mr. Marsh made a recommendation to the Council to consider extending the downtown district from 13th Street South to 22nd Street South, for CAPE Officers to patrol. His concerns were for safety and parking.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

- (a) Proclamation of February 17, 2014, as VFW Post 3270 Day.

Mayor Latham read and presented the Proclamation to members of VFW Post 3270. Mayor Latham, Council Members, City Manager, and the City Clerk were given a 75 year commemorative pin.

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- (b) Proclamation of the week of May 10 – 17, 2014, as National Beach Safety Week.

Mayor Latham read and presented the Proclamation to Rob Emhaiser and Max Ervanian, who represented the United States Lifesaving Association (USLA).

CITY CLERK

CITY MANAGER

- (a) **Monthly Financial Reports – Month of March 2014**

It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to approve the Monthly Financial Reports, for the month of March 2014.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Doherty, Hartkemeyer, Hoffman, Taylor, Vogelsang, Wilson, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

- (b) **Approve the Use of Field Improvement Fees for Repairs at Wingate Park Football Fields**

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to approve the use of field improvement fees for repairs at the Wingate and South Beach football fields as described in the memorandum from the Director of Parks and Recreation, dated April 10, 2014.

Mr. Forbes explained that there are many teams that play the football fields through the season and he is requesting the Council approve the use of donations to repair the fields at the end of the season. Discussion took place about the cost of artificial turf as compared to the current grass and maintenance being used.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Hartkemeyer, Hoffman, Taylor, Vogelsang, Wilson, Doherty, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

- (c) **Approve the Use of Paws Park Membership Fees for Landscape Maintenance at Paws Park**

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to approve the use of membership fees for landscape maintenance at Paws Park, as described in the memorandum from the Director of Parks and Recreation, dated April 10, 2014.

Speakers:

- Sandy Golding, 1203 North 18th Avenue, Jacksonville Beach

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Ms. Golding thanked Mr. Meadors for talking with her about this agenda item, asked about park maintenance, as well other options for the use of membership funds.

- Pat Villa, 14365 Cedar Island Road, Jacksonville

Ms. Villa concurred with Ms. Golding's comments, asked if maintenance fees could be spent on an as-needed basis, or if the City could maintain the park for less than the contracted vendors.

Mr. Forbes said the City does provide maintenance to some municipal grounds, but RFP's were also collected and various contractors have been hired. Discussion ensued about the work done on the recent park improvements, continued maintenance costs and vendors.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Hoffman, Taylor, Vogelsang, Wilson, Doherty, Hartkemeyer, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

(d) Award Bid Number 1314-04 Titled Three-Phase Protective Relay Test Set to the Lowest Bidder Meeting Bid Specifications, *Doble Engineering Company*

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to award Bid Number 1314-04 titled, "Three Phase Protective Relay Test Set" to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, *Doble Engineering Company*.

Mr. Forbes discussed the Federal regulations Beaches Energy is required to follow, and explained the function of the relay. He said the equipment is an expensive, but required item the City must purchase. Discussion continued about the brands of equipment available.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Taylor, Vogelsang, Wilson, Doherty, Hartkemeyer, Hoffman, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

(e) Award Bid Number 1314-05 Titled Automatic Transfer Source (ATS) Pad Mount Switchgear to the Lowest Bidder Meeting Engineering Specifications, *Engineer Sales Company*

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to award Bid Number 1314-05 titled, "Automatic Transfer Source Pad Mount Switchgear" to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, *Engineer Sales Company*.

Mr. Forbes said that Beaches Energy Services reliability is one of the best in the State of Florida. He outlined the exceptional equipment and servicing the department provides. He explained the feeds that provide service to the hospital, and the importance of continuous, reliable power that must be provided.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Vogelsang, Wilson, Doherty, Hartkemeyer, Hoffman, Taylor, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

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- (f) **Award RFP Number 08-1314, “Concrete Continuous Service for 60 Months” to the Lowest, Qualified Respondent, *Line & Grade Contracting, LLC***

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to award Request for Proposals Number 08-1314, “Concrete Continuous Service for 60 Months” to the lowest, qualified respondent, *Line and Grade Contracting, a Limited Liability Corporation*, as explained in the memorandum from the Public Works Director, dated April 10, 2014.

Mr. Forbes explained that this is a standard bid item and that anytime repairs are necessary, the City can contact them. Discussion ensued about the contract and pricing.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Wilson, Doherty, Hartkemeyer, Hoffman, Taylor, Vogelsang, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

- (a) **RESOLUTION NO. 1928-2014 – Public Hearing**

Mayor Latham requested that the City Clerk read Resolution No. 1928-2014, by title only; whereupon Ms. Bullock read the following:

“A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT AREA FOR THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLORIDA, AS AMENDED, ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1969, BY ADDING NEW PROJECT ELEMENTS, AS IDENTIFIED IN EXHIBIT A. DETAILED SCOPE OF WORK, TO THE DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT AREA COST PROGRAMMING AND PHASING SECTION OF THE DOWNTOWN VISION PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

The following citizens spoke in favor of the Resolution:

- Mr. John Galarneau, 2002 Grove Street, Jacksonville Beach

Mayor Latham opened, then closed, the Public Hearing.

Mr. Forbes explained that this is an amendment to the Redevelopment Plan, extending the Plan an additional thirty (30) years. He reviewed the slides detailing the projects that would be planned.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to adopt Resolution No. 1928-2014, amending the Downtown Community Redevelopment Plan Cost Programming and Phasing Section to add the reconstruction of certain street ends

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and alleyways and a centralized stormwater management system for the part of the district south of Beach Boulevard, and for other purposes, as outlined in Exhibit “A”, of the Resolution.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Doherty, Hartkemeyer, Hoffman, Taylor, Vogelsang, Wilson, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

(b) RESOLUTION NO. 1929-2014 – Public Hearing

Mayor Latham requested that the City Clerk read Resolution No. 1929-2014, by title only; whereupon Ms. Bullock read the following:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE JACKSONVILLE BEACH CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE JACKSONVILLE BEACH DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT AREA, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED, ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1969, BY ADDING A PERMANENT DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY POLICING INNOVATION COMPONENT TO BE KNOWN AS THE DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY ASSISTED POLICING EFFORT (DOWNTOWN CAPE), AS IDENTIFIED IN EXHIBIT A. *DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY ASSISTED POLICING EFFORT – A PLAN FOR A SAFER FUTURE*, TO THE DOWNTOWN VISION PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Public Hearing

Mayor Latham opened a Public Hearing on Resolution No. 1929-2014, and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or in opposition of the Resolution.

The following citizens spoke in favor of the Resolution:

- Bruce Thomason, PO Box 50556, Jacksonville Beach
- Jon McGowan, 5 North 17th Avenue, Jacksonville Beach
- John Galarneau, 2002 Grove Street, Jacksonville Beach
- Ken Marsh, 2027 Gail Avenue, Jacksonville Beach
- Brenda Shields, 315 18th Street North, Jacksonville Beach
- Robert Tilka, 3584 Trident Court, Jacksonville Beach
- Sandy Golding, 1203 North 18th Avenue, Jacksonville Beach

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- Kurtis Loftis, 2815 St. Martins Court, Jacksonville Beach

Seeing no one else that wished to speak in favor or in opposition of Resolution No. 1929-2014, Mayor Latham closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Forbes reviewed the Resolution emphasizing that the downtown area has progressed substantially, and it is a very popular place to come visit.

Discussion ensued regarding the additional CAPE Officers, funding for the officers and equipment necessary for development of a safer downtown community.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to adopt Resolution No. 1929-2014, increasing the number of assigned officers from five to nine, and establishing this Community Policing Innovation (Downtown CAPE Unit), as a permanent part of the Jacksonville Beach Downtown Community Redevelopment Plan as provided in Exhibit "A", of the Resolution.

Roll call vote: Ayes -Hartkemeyer, Hoffman, Taylor, Vogelsang, Wilson, Doherty, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

(c) RESOLUTION NO. 1931-2014

Mayor Latham requested that the City Clerk read Resolution No. 1931-2014, by title only; whereupon Ms. Bullock read the following:

“A RESOLUTION TO AMEND SECTION 2. BANNER SIGNS AND SECTION 4. SEASONAL SALES SIGNS OF RESOLUTION 1864-2010 TO MODIFY STANDARDS FOR THE PLACEMENT OF TEMPORARY BANNER SIGNS AND CERTAIN SEASONAL SALES SIGNS WITHIN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to adopt Resolution No. 1931-2014, amending Resolution No. 1864-2010 to modify standards for the placement of temporary banner signs and to extend the permissible times allowed for signage for the seasonal sale of firewood.

Mr. Forbes talked about the current regulations for banners and the changes made.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Hoffman, Taylor, Vogelsang, Wilson, Doherty, Hartkemeyer, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

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ORDINANCES

(a) ORDINANCE NO. 2014-8052 – First Reading

Mayor Latham requested that the City Clerk read Ordinance No. 2014-8052, by title only; whereupon Ms. Bullock read the following:

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLORIDA BY AMENDING ARTICLE IV, SECTION 21-53. ‘DURATION OF SALES ACTIVITIES’ OF CHAPTER 21 PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS, TO MODIFY THE PERMISSIBLE DATES FOR FIREWOOD SALES; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hartkemeyer, to adopt Ordinance No. 2014 - 8052, amending Chapter 21, Section 21-53 ‘Duration of Seasonal Sales Activities’ of the Code of Ordinances of Jacksonville Beach, to extend the permissible times for the sale of firewood.

Mr. Forbes explained the Ordinance changes dates for the firewood sales to be extended another five to six weeks.

Roll call vote: Ayes - Taylor, Vogelsang, Wilson, Doherty, Hartkemeyer, Hoffman, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Wilson announced that the Sandcastle Contest would be held this coming Saturday and the Beaches Parade would begin at 2:00pm on Sunday.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business coming before the Council, Mayor Latham adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Submitted by: Cathy Martinich
City Clerk’s Office

Approval:

/s/William C. Latham

William C. Latham, Mayor

Date: May 5, 2014