

**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting  
held Monday, May 18, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.  
in the Council Chambers, 11 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street,  
Jacksonville Beach, Florida.**



**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Charlie Latham called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**OPENING CEREMONIES:**

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

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor: William C. Latham

Council Members: Lee Buck                      Keith Doherty                      Christine Hoffman  
                                 Bruce Thomason                      Phil Vogelsang (*absent*)                      Jeanell Wilson

Also present was City Manager George Forbes and City Clerk Laurie Scott.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Hoffman, and passed unanimously, to approve the following minutes as presented:

- City Council Workshop held May 4, 2015
- Regular City Council Meeting held May 4, 2015

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Council Member Hoffman announced the recent addition of the 1873 Oesterreicher-McCormick Homestead to the Beaches Museum & History Park.

Council Member Hoffman announced the upcoming Fletcher All-Class Reunion scheduled for May 30, 2015.

Mayor Latham made the following announcements and comments:

- He attended the Dial-A-Ride reception at the Atlantic Beach Country Club on May 7, 2015.
- He expressed his gratitude to Chief Pat Dooley, police officers and staff for coordinating the Police Memorial Service held on May 16, 2015.

- He attended a fundraiser for the 4-H and Future Farmers of America organizations at the Cattleman's Auction in Jacksonville.
- He announced that City Council held a workshop on the 2015 Downtown Action Plan prior to tonight's City Council Meeting.
- He announced that tomorrow is Election Day in Duval County and encouraged everyone to get out and vote.

Council Member Wilson announced the upcoming Mayport Redevelopment Assessment Area meeting scheduled for May 21, 2015.

### **COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS:**

#### **Speakers:**

- Fernando Meza, 607 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Jacksonville Beach, discussed a Beach Clean Up initiative, his concerns about the 4-COP-SRX beverage licenses, and security preparation for the upcoming Memorial Day holiday.
- Reverend Kenneth Adkins, Issachar Media Group, 841 Prudential Drive, Jacksonville, stated his company represents local businesses and residents. He was asked to bring before the City Council their safety and security concerns for the upcoming Memorial Day holiday.

### **MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:**

#### **CITY CLERK:**

#### **CITY MANAGER:**

##### **(a) North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Presentation**

Ms. Denise Bunnewith, Planning Director, gave a PowerPoint presentation (on file) on the upcoming projects by the TPO.

Council Member Thomason asked for clarification on the Landscaping Project for Beach Boulevard from San Pablo to South 12<sup>th</sup> Street.

Ms. Bunnewith stated she will provide the name of the Project Manager to Mr. Forbes to assist in answering the questions about the Landscaping Project.

Council Member Thomason asked about the funding for the Drainage Project for SR A1A (3<sup>rd</sup> Street) from Seagate Avenue to Beach Boulevard.

**(b) Accept the Monthly Financial Reports for the Month of April 2015**

**Motion:** It was moved by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Hoffman, to approve the Monthly Financial Reports for the Month of April 2015 as submitted by the Chief Financial Officer.

**Roll call vote:** Ayes – Buck, Doherty, Hoffman, Thomason, Wilson, and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

**(c) Approve a Long-term Lease to St. Johns County for Space on the Monopole Communications Tower at the Butler Substation**

**Motion:** It was moved by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Hoffman, to approve the Long-term Lease to St. Johns County for Space on the Monopole Communications Tower at the Butler Substation as described in the memorandum from the Property and Procurement Officer dated May 4, 2015.

Mr. Forbes explained the City owns the Monopole Tower at the Butler Substation on South Beach Parkway. The City has acquired St. Johns County as a new tenant for the Monopole Communications Tower. Their equipment will be added to the tower to assist in reading their meters. The Lease will be a five (5) year Lease Agreement that can be extended in five (5) year increments for a total of twenty years.

Council Member Wilson inquired as to the number of leases the City currently has for the Monopole Communications Tower, and the rates of the contracts.

Mr. Forbes stated that the City has seven (7) leases. He explained the rates are determined by the amount of devices the tenants have on the tower and their location on the tower. He advised the rates are within a competitive range.

**Roll call vote:** Ayes – Doherty, Hoffman, Thomason, Wilson, Buck and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

**(d) Approve the Council Budget Workshop Schedule**

**Motion:** It was moved by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Hoffman, to approve the Budget Workshop Schedule as proposed by the City Manager in the memorandum dated May 12, 2015.

Mr. Forbes explained that he was presenting the Budget Workshop Schedule to the City Council to provide them with advance notice of the upcoming dates and times for their review.

**Roll call vote:** Ayes – Hoffman, Thomason, Wilson, Buck, Doherty and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**ORDINANCES:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Submitted by: Laurie Scott  
City Clerk

Approval:

/s/ William C. Latham  
William C. Latham, MAYOR

Date: June 1, 2015