

**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting  
Held Tuesday October 3, 2005 at 7:00 P.M.  
In the Council Chambers, 11 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street,  
Jacksonville Beach, Florida.**



**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Fland Sharp.

**Roll Call**

Mayor: Fland Sharp

Council members: Lee Buck Penny Christian Rick Knight  
Dick Matthews Martha Ann Sibley Linda Spence

Also present were City Manager George Forbes, City Attorney Steve Stratford and City Clerk Heidi Reagan.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence, seconded by Ms. Christian, and passed, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 19, 2005 as presented.

**Courtesy of Floor to Visitors**

No one wished to speak under Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors.

**City Manager “a”**

**A proposal from Ms. Jennifer Johnson to cast a bronze statue of two surfers and donate it to the City.**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Christian to accept the proposal from the J. Johnson Gallery to cast a bronze statue of two surfers and donate them to the City at no cost to the City, and authorize the City Manager and Mayor to execute the documents necessary to accept this donation and to locate a suitable place for the artwork.

Bruce Dempsey from the Johnson Gallery read the letter from Ms. Johnson offering the gift of the statues to the City of Jacksonville Beach. Mr. Dempsey described the process of making the statue and stated it takes approximately one-year for the entire process. He stated that the artist, Seward Johnson is currently holding an exhibition of his work at the Cummer Gallery. He pointed out that this artist is not only known nationally, but internationally as well.

A discussion followed in which several of the Council members expressed their gratitude to the Johnsons for this very generous gift. Mr. Knight stated that he felt the best place for this artwork is

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Latham Plaza. The Mayor explained that the two locations being considered for the statue are the pier area and Latham Plaza.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Buck, Christian, Knight, Matthews, Sibley, Spence and Mayor Sharp.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**City Manager “b”**

**Jacksonville Sea & Sky Spectacular Air Show November 4, 5 and 6.**

Presentation: Commander Dahl of the U.S. Navy began by reviewing the show that has been planned.

Ms. O’Donnell reviewed the schedule for the days leading up to the Air Show and for the show itself. November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> are the main air show days. The Blue Angels will be practicing the Thursday and Friday before the show. Ms. O’Donnell stated that they are working with the local retailers to keep them informed. They will be meeting with the retailers on October 26<sup>th</sup> to update them on the specifics of the show, including a review of the schedule for road closures. There is also a website for the show – [www.jaxseaandsky.net](http://www.jaxseaandsky.net). Ms. O’Donnell also stated that the announcing of the show will be simulcast on WQIK 99.1 FM.

Commander Dooley reviewed the schedule of street closures and the perimeters that will be secure and/or closed. He also stated that they will work to protect the sea oats and keep the dune walkovers clear. Jacksonville Sheriff Office will be assisting in these efforts.

Discussion: Council member Matthews asked if the pier would be closed. The pier will be closed just during the show. Commander Dahl explained that the pier must be closed because they must have a clear area for the show. Commander Dooley stated that the pier will re-open as soon as the show is over. Mayor Sharp asked about the cranes that are in that area. Commander Dahl stated that the cranes must be lowered to the height of the building. It was also stated that the lifeguards will be assisting with keeping people out of the water in the area of the show.

Mr. Forbes stated that the offsite parking will be different than the last show in that the parking will be at TPC Sawgrass.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence, seconded by Ms. Sibley and passed to approve the air show special event to be held on November 4, 5 and 6, 2005.

Motion carried unanimously.

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**City Manager “c”**

**Participating with the Atlantic Beach Unit Price Contract for dune vegetation and sand fencing on the beach.**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Sibley to approve the City’s participation in the City of Atlantic Beach unit price contract for Dune Vegetation Installation with Aquatic Plants of Florida, Inc., and the installation of sea oats and sand fencing as explained in the Public Works Memorandum entitled, “Installation of Sea Oats & Sand Fencing along the Dune Line”, dated September 23, 2005.

Discussion: Mr. Forbes explained that now that the beach re-nourishment and dune walkover project is done we want to re-establish our dunes. This project will include planting of sea oats and installation of sand fencing. Mr. Forbes also explained that Roy Paxson obtained grant money to pay for 50% of this project.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Christian, Knight, Matthews, Sibley, Spence, Buck and Mayor Sharp.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**City Manager “d”**

**Replacement of an all-terrain vehicle for the Fire Department.**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Sibley, to approve the purchase of an all-terrain mobile emergency response vehicle for the Fire Department from the state contract.

Discussion: Mr. Forbes explained that the all-terrain vehicle is a small vehicle, similar to an oversized golf cart that can be used during special events because it can get into small areas. It is designed to accommodate a backboard for moving an injured person.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Knight, Matthews, Sibley, Spence, Buck, Christian and Mayor Sharp.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**City Manager “e”**

**Recommendation to Award Bids:**

**Bid #0405-22 – 34.5kV Group Operated Air Brake Switches**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Sibley, to award Bid 0405-22 to Hughes Supply, Inc., for the purchase of 34.5 kV Group Operated Air Break Switches.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Matthews, Sibley, Spence, Buck, Christian, Knight and Mayor Sharp.  
Motion carried unanimously.

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**Bid #0405-24 – Wood Poles – 12-36 Months Requirements**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Sibley to award Bid 0405-24 to the lowest bidders meeting specifications, as recommended in the Council Memorandum dated September 19, 2005, “Wood Poles for 12 – 36 Months Requirements”.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Sibley, Spence, Buck, Christian, Knight, Matthews and Mayor Sharp.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Bid #0405-25 – Wire and Cable – 12 Months Requirements**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Sibley to approve the award of wire and cable bids as recommended in a memo from Gary Quick dated September 22, 2005, entitled “Bid No. 0405-25 Approval of Wire and Cable – 12 Months Requirements”.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Spence, Buck, Christian, Knight, Matthews, Sibley and Mayor Sharp.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**Resolution No. 1731-2005**

Mayor Sharp requested that the City Clerk read Resolution No. 1731-2005 by title; whereupon Ms. Reagan read the following:

**“A RESOLUTION LEVYING AND IMPOSING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AGAINST THE PROPERTIES FRONTING OR ABUTTING UPON CERTAIN PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE SOUTH BEACH RESIDENTIAL AREA RESULTING IN SPECIAL BENEFIT THERETO; FIXING THE APPLICABLE AMOUNTS PER FRONTAGE FOOT AS THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVIED AND IMPOSED UPON SAME; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN RELATION THERETO.”**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Sibley to approve Special Assessment Resolution 1731-2005 as read by title.

Discussion: Mr. Forbes stated that he wanted to address both this item and the next one together because they’re both special assessments. He explained that several months ago the Council approved an ordinance that set up the special assessment of these properties, as the City is putting in water, sewer, roads, and drainage (as necessary). A public hearing was held before the Council voted to pass the ordinance. The ordinance authorized the City to do the work and then special assess the property owners on completion of the work. The first area to be assessed is the new South Beach

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Residential area between Riptide and South Beach Park, the second area is 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South west of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Mr. Forbes explained that the public is not required to pay the full assessment immediately. There are payment options available – payment of the full amount within 30 days at no interest or payment over 48 months at 8% interest. If the property owner doesn't pay, the City does not take the property away - a lien is placed on the property. These resolutions also require that in order to get a building permit (these properties are vacant) the assessment must be paid.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Buck, Christian, Knight, Matthews, Sibley, Spence and Mayor Sharp.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution No. 1732-2005**

Mayor Sharp requested that the City Clerk read Resolution No. 1732-2005 by title; whereupon Ms. Reagan read the following:

**“A RESOLUTION LEVYING AND IMPOSING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AGAINST THE PROPERTIES FRONTING OR ABUTTING UPON CERTAIN PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS ON SOUTH 33<sup>RD</sup> AVENUE RESULTING IN SPECIAL BENEFIT THERETO; FIXING THE APPLICABLE AMOUNTS PER FRONTAGE FOOT AS THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVIED AND IMPOSED UPON SAME; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN RELATION THERETO”.**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Sibley to approve Special Assessment Resolution 1732-2005 as read by title.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Christian, Knight, Matthews, Sibley, Spence, Buck and Mayor Sharp.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business coming before the Council, Mayor Sharp adjourned the meeting at 7:40P.M.

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Heidi Reagan  
CITY CLERK

Council Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_