## MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA AUGUST 3, 2021 9:00 A.M.

Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) of St. Johns County, Florida, held in the auditorium at the County Administration Building, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida.

Present: Jeremiah R. Blocker, District 4, Chair Henry Dean, District 5, Vice Chair Christian Whitehurst, District 1 Jeb S. Smith, District 2 Paul M. Waldron, District 3 Patrick McCormack, County Attorney Crystal Smith, Deputy Clerk

Also present: Brad Bradley, Deputy County Administrator Chief of Staff; Joy Andrews, Deputy County Administrator of Strategic Affairs

Absent: Hunter S. Conrad, County Administrator

(08/03/21 - 1 - 9:00 a.m.) CALL TO ORDER

Blocker called the meeting to order.

(08/03/21 - 1 - 9:00 a.m.) ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll. Commissioners Blocker, Dean, Whitehurst, Smith, and Waldron were present.

(08/03/21 - 1 - 9:01 a.m.) INVOCATION

Pastor Matt McCloghry, Colonial Church, gave the invocation.

(08/03/21 - 1 - 9:03 a.m.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commander John Mountcastle, United States Coast Guard, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

(08/03/21 - 1 - 9:03 a.m.) PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE

Russ Martin, Director of Operations, St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, spoke on emergency preparation; provided the website to Emergency Management: Sjcemergencymanagement.com; and spoke on school safety.

(9:06 a.m.) Joe Giammanco, Emergency Management Director, provided an update on COVID-19. He noted the total number of positive cases, Flagler Hospital statistics, vaccination rate in the County, uptick in testing, and provided location information for testing.

(9:09 a.m.) Dean questioned if the testing locations offered free testing, spoke on the school policy regarding masks, and encouraged the public to consider getting vaccinated. Giammanco responded.

(9:13 a.m.) McCormack noted an emergency order by Governor DeSantis pertaining to school mask mandates.

(9:14 a.m.) Whitehurst questioned whether there was any information on current COVID-19 patients that had been vaccinated and were contracting the virus and spoke on a vaccine study. Giammanco explained that about 90 percent of current hospitalized patients were unvaccinated.

(9:17 a.m.) Chief Jeff Prevatt, provided an update on Fire Rescue's current status of internal COVID-19 cases.

(08/03/21 - 2 - 9:17 a.m.) DELETIONS TO THE CONSENT AGENDA

McCormack informed the Board that a revision was made to the short title and the first whereas paragraph of the Resolution for Consent Agenda Item 17, as follows:

A Resolution by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to award Bid No. 21-14R, Bishop Estates Signing Improvements - FDOT LAP 441220-1-58-01, to traffic control products of Florida, Inc., as the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder, and to execute an agreement for completion of the work. WHEREAS, the County is moving forward with the Bishops Estates Signing Improvements, through the FDOT LAP Agreement #441220-1-58-01, where the scope of work for the project includes provision of any and all labor, materials, and equipment required to construct the Signing Improvements along Bishop Estates Road from San Jose to Race Track; Orange Avenue from Race Track to Bishop Estates, in St. Johns County, Florida, in accordance with Bid No. 21-14R.

(08/03/21 - 2 - 9:20 a.m.) APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

## Motion by Dean, seconded by Waldron, carried 5/0, to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended.

Yea: Dean, Waldron, Smith, Blocker, Whitehurst Nay: None

- 1. Motion to approve the Cash Requirement Report
- 2. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-310**, approving the final plat for Arbors at Rivertown, Phase Two

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-310**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PLAT FOR ARBORS AT RIVERTOWN, PHASE TWO

3. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-311**, approving the final plat for Bartram Ranch, Phase 3

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-311**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PLAT FOR BARTRAM RANCH, PHASE 3

4. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-312**, approving the final plat for Silver Landing

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-312**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PLAT FOR SILVER LANDING

5. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-313**, accepting a Final Release of Lien, Warranty, Easement for Utilities, and a Bill of Sale associated with the water and sewer systems, to serve Trailmark East Parcel, Phase 1, located off County Road 13A

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-313

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A FINAL RELEASE OF LIEN, WARRANTY, EASEMENT FOR UTILITIES, AND A BILL OF SALE ASSOCIATED WITH THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS, TO SERVE TRAILMARK EAST PARCEL, PHASE 1, LOCATED OFF COUNTY ROAD 13A

6. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-314**, accepting a Final Release of Lien, Warranty, and Bill of Sale and Schedule of Values, conveying all personal property associated with the water system, to serve ARC Hurricane Shelter, located off State Road 16

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-314

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A FINAL RELEASE OF LIEN, WARRANTY, AND BILL OF SALE AND SCHEDULE OF VALUES, CONVEYING ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATED WITH THE WATER SYSTEM, TO SERVE ARC HURRICANE SHELTER, LOCATED OFF STATE ROAD 16

7. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-315**, approving and authorizing the chair of the Board, on behalf of the County, to execute an easement to Florida Power & Light Company, to provide electrical service to the new multipurpose ballfield, as part of the Davis Park Expansion Project

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-315

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, TO EXECUTE

## AN EASEMENT TO FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO THE NEW MULTIPURPOSE BALLFIELD, AS PART OF THE DAVIS PARK EXPANSION PROJECT

8. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-316**, approving the terms of an Easement for Utilities, for installation of a reclaimed water and sewer force mains, near the intersection of A1A North and Palm Valley Road

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-316**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TERMS OF AN EASEMENT FOR UTILITIES, FOR INSTALLATION OF A RECLAIMED WATER AND SEWER FORCE MAINS, NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF A1A NORTH AND PALM VALLEY ROAD

9. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-317**, accepting a Final Release of Lien, Warranty, and Bill of Sale and Schedule of Values, conveying all personal property associated with the water and sewer systems, to serve Deerpark Industrial, Lot 3, located off State Road 207

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-317

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A FINAL RELEASE OF LIEN, WARRANTY, AND BILL OF SALE AND SCHEDULE OF VALUES, CONVEYING ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATED WITH THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS, TO SERVE DEERPARK INDUSTRIAL, LOT 3, LOCATED OFF STATE ROAD 207

10. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-318**, authorizing the county administrator, or his designee, to award Bid No. 21-77, State Road (SR) 207 Water Main Extension, Phase 2, to Metro Equipment Service, Inc., as the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder, and to execute an agreement, in substantially the same form and format as attached, for the completion of the project as provided in Bid No. 21-77, for a lump sum price of \$1,477,325

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-318

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO AWARD BID NO. 21-77, SR 207 WATER MAIN EXTENSION, PHASE 2, TO METRO EQUIPMENT SERVICE, INC., AS THE LOWEST, RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, AND TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR COMPLETION OF THE WORK

11. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-319**, accepting a Final Release of Lien, Warranty, Easement for Utilities, Special Warranty Deed, and a Bill of Sale, conveying all personal property associated with the water, sewer, reuse, pump station and sewer force mains systems, to serve Beacon Lake, Phase 3A, located off County Road 210W

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-319**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A FINAL RELEASE OF LIEN, WARRANTY, EASEMENT FOR UTILITIES, SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED, AND A BILL OF SALE, CONVEYING ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATED WITH THE WATER, SEWER, REUSE, PUMP STATION AND SEWER FORCE MAINS SYSTEMS, TO SERVE BEACON LAKE, PHASE 3A, LOCATED OFF COUNTY ROAD 210W

12. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-320**, declaring the public purpose and reasonable necessity for exercising the right and power of eminent domain, to acquire certain real property along County Road (CR) 210, between C.E. Wilson Road and the west line of Twin Creeks Development of Regional Impact (DRI), for the widening of the roadway; and authorizing the county attorney to initiate condemnation proceedings as necessary

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-320**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, PUBLIC DECLARING THE PURPOSE AND REASONABLE NECESSITY FOR EXERCISING THE RIGHT AND POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY ALONG CR 210, BETWEEN C.E. WILSON ROAD AND THE WEST LINE OF TWIN CREEKS DRI, FOR THE WIDENING OF THE ROADWAY: AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY INSTITUTE CONDEMNATION ATTORNEY ТО **PROCEEDINGS IF NECESSARY** 

13. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-321**, authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to execute a Consent to Assignment Agreement, in substantially the same form and format as attached hereto, providing for an assignment and assumption of Master Contract No. 18-MCC-CUR-08942, to Revere Control Systems, Inc.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-321**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO ASSIGN THE CONTRACT WITH CURRY CONTROLS COMPANY, UNDER RFQ NO. 17-79, SCADA SYSTEM SERVICES TO REVERE CONTROL SYSTEMS, INC.

14. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-322**, authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to enter into negotiations with England-Thims & Miller, Inc., as the top ranked firm under RFQ No. 21-87, Longleaf Pine Parkway Widening, to 4-Lanes from Veterans Parkway to Roberts Road Design & Permitting, and upon successful negotiations, to award and execute a contract in substantially the same

form and format as attached, for completion of the work, or to conduct negotiations with the next successively ranked firms, as necessary, until an agreement is reached

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-322

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH ENGLAND-THIMS & MILLER, INC., AS THE TOP RANKED FIRM UNDER RFQ NO. 21-87, LONGLEAF PINE PARKWAY WIDENING, TO 4-LANES FROM **VETERANS PARKWAY TO ROBERTS ROAD DESIGN &** PERMITTING, AND UPON SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATIONS, AWARD AND EXECUTE A **CONTRACT FOR COMPLETION OF THE WORK** 

- 15. Motion to declare the attachments as surplus and authorize the county administrator, or his designee, to dispose of same in accordance with the Purchasing Policy 308 and Florida Statute 274
- 16. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021–323**, authorizing the county administrator, or his designee, to award Bid No. 21-100, Signalization Replacement at Intersection of US 1/Shore Drive–HMGP 4283-012-R to Chinchor Electric, Inc., as the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder, and to execute a contract in substantially same form and format, as attached hereto, for completion of the project as provided in Bid No. 21-100, for a lump sum cost of \$570,815.26

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-323

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO AWARD BID NO. 21-100; AND TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH CHINCHOR ELECTRIC, INC., FOR SIGNALIZATION REPLACEMENT AT INTERSECTION OF US 1 / SHORE DRIVE - HMGP 4283-012-R

17. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-324**, authorizing the county administrator, or his designee, to award Bid No. 21-14R, Bishop Estates Signing Improvements – FDOT LAP 441220-1-58-01, to Traffic Control Products of Florida, Inc., as the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder, and to execute a contract in substantially same form and format as attached hereto, for completion of the project, for a lump sum cost of \$128,936.83

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-324**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO AWARD BID NO. 21-14r, BISHOP ESTATES SIGNING IMPROVEMENTS - FDOT LAP 441220-1-58-01, TO TRAFFIC CONTROL PRODUCTS OF FLORIDA, INC., AS THE LOWEST, RESPONSIVE,

## **RESPONSIBLE BIDDER; AND TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR COMPLETION OF THE WORK**

18. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-325**, authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to execute a contract, subject to the terms and conditions attached hereto, with ZOLL Medical Corporation, providing for cardiac equipment preventive maintenance for an initial term of 3 years, at a total price of \$34,425

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-325**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH ZOLL MEDICAL CORPORATION FOR PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE OF ALL ZOLL CARDIAC CARE EQUIPMENT USED BY ST JOHNS COUNTY FIRE RESCUE

19. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-326**, authorizing the county administrator, or his designee, to award Bid No. 21-95, Fire and/or Burglar Alarm Systems Installation, Service, Inspection, and Monitoring to Village Key and Alarm, Inc., d/b/a VKA Security, as the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder, and to execute a contract, in substantially the same form and format as attached, for the provision of the services

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-326**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO AWARD BID NO. 21-95, FIRE AND/OR BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEMS INSTALLATION, SERVICE, INSPECTION AND MONITORING TO VILLAGE KEY AND ALARM, INC., D/B/A VKA SECURITY, AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR PERFORMANCE OF THE SERVICES

20. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-327** authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to enter into negotiations with Pomeroy Appraisal Associates of Florida, CBRE, Inc., Centerline Group, LLC; Lampe, Roy & Associates, Inc.; Weigel-Veasey Appraisers, Inc.; and Red Oak Appraisal Company, Inc., under RFP No. 21-82, Appraisal & Appraisal Related Services, and upon successful negotiations, award and execute agreements, in substantially the same form and format as attached hereto, for completion of the work

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-327**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO AWARD RFP NO. 21-82; AND TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH ALL SIX FIRMS FOR AS NEEDED APPRAISAL & APPRAISAL RELATED SERVICES 21. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-328**, authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to declare Microwave Networks, Inc., equipment as standardized equipment for St. Johns County Fire Rescue interoperable radio systems, and to enter into a pricing agreement with Microwave Networks, Inc., for the repair of equipment, as appropriately budgeted in each Fiscal Year. Purchases within budget shall not require additional BOCC approval for the execution and issuance of purchase orders for standardized equipment and repair

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-328**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO STANDARDIZE MICROWAVE NETWORKS, INC., EQUIPMENT FOR SJC FIRE RESCUE INTEROPERABLE RADIO SYSTEMS, AND TO EXECUTE A PRICING AGREEMENT WITH MICROWAVE NETWORKS, INC., FOR AS NEEDED EQUIPMENT REPAIR

22. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-329**, ratifying the executed agreement with M&M Commercial Cleaning Concepts, to perform the required services specified under Bid No. 21-65, Trash Collection Services at SJC Parks & Properties, at an annual cost of \$125,226.40

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-329

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO REASSIGN AWARD OF BID NO. 21-65, TO M&M COMMERCIAL CLEANING CONCEPTS, AS THE SECOND LOWEST RESPONSIBLE, RESPONSIVE BIDDER, AND TO RATIFY AN AGREEMENT FOR PERFORMANCE OF TRASH COLLECTION SERVICES AT ST. JOHNS COUNTY PARKS AND PROPERTIES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BID

23. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-330**, recognizing and appropriating unanticipated revenue of \$30,000, donated by Creeks Athletic Association; authorizing the transfer of up to \$140,000, from the NW Tower Committee reserve; and authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to piggyback the Omnia Partners Contract No. 2017001134, and execute a contract, in substantially the same form and format as the attached, with PlayCore Wisconsin, Inc., dba GameTime, in the amount of \$180,509, for completion of the project

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-330**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE UNANTICIPATED REVENUE OF \$30,000, TRANSFER \$140,000, FROM NW TOWER RESERVES FUNDS, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PIGGYBACK OF THE OMNIA PARTNERS CONTRACT NO. 2017001134, AND EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH PLAYCORE

#### WISCONSIN, INC., DBA GAMETIME FOR COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT

24. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-331**, recognizing and appropriating a donation of \$485 from T-Mobile for a one-time purchase of a movie license to facilitate the Parks and Recreation Department's Movie in the Park Special Event series

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-331

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET TO RECEIVE UNANTICIPATED REVENUE; AND AUTHORIZING ITS APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE BY THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

- 25. Motion authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to execute and issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Courtesy Transport Services, LLC, in substantially the same form and format as attached, to be effective until July 20, 2024
- 26. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-332**, approving the terms, conditions, provisions, and requirements of a Construction Reimbursement Agreement Addendum with the State of Florida's Department of Transportation (FDOT), to extend the grant until December 31, 2022, for signalization improvements at the intersections of US-1 with Shore Drive and Lewis Point Road; and authorizing the chair to execute the addendum on behalf of the County

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-332

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, **PROVISIONS**, AND REOUIREMENTS OF Α CONSTRUCTION REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT ADDENDUM WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO EXTEND THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AGREEMENT TO DECEMBER 31, 2022, **SIGNALIZATION** FOR **IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF US-1** WITH SHORE DRIVE AND LEWIS POINT ROAD; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ADDENDUM ON BEHALF OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY

- 27. Motion to authorize the county administrator to execute the Resolution of the North Florida Utility Coordinating Group Regarding Lakes Brooklyn and Geneva Minimum Levels and Associated Recovery Strategy Litigation, in substantially the same form as attached
- 28. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-333**, amending and revising the Arts, Culture and Heritage Funding Panel bylaws, in order to remove the non-resident member requirements

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-333**

## A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING REVISIONS TO THE BYLAWS OF THE ARTS, CULTURAL AND HERITAGE FUNDING PANEL

29. Motion to approve Minutes:
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(08/03/21 - 10 - 9:20 a.m.) ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE REGULAR AGENDA

Waldron requested to add the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant, red folder item, as Regular Agenda Item 1a.

(08/03/21 - 10 - 9:21 a.m.) APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

## Motion by Waldron, seconded by Dean, carried 5/0, to approve the Regular Agenda, as amended.

Yea: Waldron, Dean, Smith, Whitehurst, Blocker Nay: None

(08/03/21 - 10 - 9:22 a.m.) 1A. SHUTTERED VENUE OPERATORS GRANT

Gabe Pellicer, Cultural Events Director, provided information on the grant request, and noted the deadline to sign the grant was that day.

(9:26 a.m.) Motion by Dean, seconded by Waldron, carried 5/0, to approve the terms, conditions, and requirements of a U.S. Small Business Administration Shuttered Venue Operators Grant (SVOG), in the amount of \$5,984,568; and authorizing the chair or county administrator, to execute the Notice of Award; and to apply for a SVOG Supplemental Grant.

Yea: Dean, Waldron, Whitehurst, Smith, Blocker Nay: None

(9:27 a.m.) Dean expressed his appreciation to Gabe Pellicer and his staff.

(9:27 a.m.) Christine Valliere, Assistant County Attorney, entered the meeting.

(08/03/21 - 10 - 9:28 a.m.)

1 PUBLIC HEARING - DRI MOD 2021-01, RIVERTOWN DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT (DRI). REQUEST TO AMEND THE RIVERTOWN DRI TO EXTEND THE DATES BY WHICH THE DEVELOPER IS REQUIRED TO CONSTRUCT A FOUR-LANE PORTION OF COUNTY ROAD (CR) 223 FROM CR 210 TO LONGLEAF PINE PARKWAY, EXTEND COMMENCEMENT DATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF REQUIRED AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS, REVISE THE CONTRIBUTION SCHEDULE TO THE COUNTY FOR "DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE", EXTEND PHASING AND BUILD OUT DATES BASED ORDERS, REFLECT ON LEGISLATIVE EXTENSION AND AMENDMENTS TO **SECTION** F.S. REGARDING 380.06(6), THE REQUIREMENT FOR BIENNIAL MONITORING REPORTS. THIS ITEM WAS HEARD BEFORE THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY AT THEIR

# REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 17, 2021, AND WAS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY A VOTE OF 6-1

Proof of publication of the notice of public hearing on DRI MOD 2021-01, Rivertown DRI, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on May 21, 2021.

Ex parte communication: Whitehurst met on July 22, with Ellen Avery-Smith, Jacob O'Keefe, and staff and discussed the project and market trends. Waldron met on July 22, with Ellen Avery-Smith, Jacob O'Keefe, and staff and discussed the project, the timelines that were agreed to, the reasoning for wanting to change the timelines, and Waldron's concerns with wanting to change some of the timelines. Dean met on July 21, with Ellen Avery-Smith and Jacob O'Keefe and discussed the terms and conditions of the project and impacts of the changed dates. Smith met on July 22, with Ellen Avery-Smith, Jacob O'Keefe, and Teresa Bishop and discussed the present state of the modification and the reasons for the request. Blocker met on July 8, with Ellen Avery-Smith and Jacob O'Keefe and discussed the timeline modification, and impact on the county that the infrastructure needs would have.

(9:31 a.m.) Ellen Avery-Smith, Esq., Rogers Towers, 100 Whetstone Place, representing the applicant, presented details of the request, via PowerPoint.

(9:39 a.m.) Dean requested clarification on the timeline delay for the project. Avery-Smith explained the process to follow; said the guidelines had taken four to five months and the DRI development order had a stopper in it for a certain number of platted units. Jacob O'Keefe, 13901 Sutton Park Drive South, Suite 200, Jacksonville, provided additional comments explaining the timeline change from the development aspect and that there was no way to accelerate the process.

(9:45 a.m.) BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, spoke in opposition of the project.

(9:48 a.m.) Waldron questioned the issue for the payment on affordable housing. Avery-Smith explained the request was subject to the legislative extensions and the date extension was based on that law. Discussion ensued on the payment being made early and current constraints to meet the timeline deadlines.

(9:56 a.m.) Blocker spoke on the possibility of further catastrophic events. Avery-Smith noted that in the DRI development order the developer had to put money down for the inspection fees and bond for Veterans Parkway.

(9:58 a.m.) McCormack requested clarification on the construction of Veterans Parkway. Avery-Smith explained the two-lane portion of the road was under construction by Mattamy Homes. McCormack questioned if there would be an issue in removing the \$75,000 and paying it as it was required. O'Keefe stated it would not be an issue if it would help them to move forward. Discussion ensued on whether the bond on the roadway failed at some point.

(10:03 a.m.) Whitehurst questioned the current phasing table being pushed out. Avery-Smith responded.

(10:06 a.m.) Motion by Whitehurst, seconded by Smith, carried 5/0, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-334, based upon five findings of fact, as provided in the staff report; and acknowledging the provision that the payment of the \$75,000 not be extended.

Yea: Whitehurst, Smith, Dean, Blocker, Waldron Nay: None

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-334**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING AND RESTATING RESOLUTION NOS. 2004-45, 2014-326 2010-286, AND 2017-132, ORDER DEVELOPMENT FOR **RIVERTOWN**, DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT, UNDER CHAPTER 308, FLORIDA STATUTES, AUTHORIZING DEVELOPMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 4,170 ACRES NORTHWEST ST. JOHNS COUNTY; ESTABLISHING **MITIGATION** REQUIREMENTS FOR REGIONAL IMPACTS, **INCLUDING MITIGATION** FOR TRANSPORTATION AND RECREATION IMPACTS; FINDING THE MODIFICATION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A SUBSTANTIAL DEVIATION; AND **ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE** 

(08/03/21 - 12 - 10:07 a.m.)

2. PUBLIC HEARING, COMPAMD 2020-09, INDIAN BRANCH FARMS. REQUEST FOR A SMALL-SCALE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION OF APPROXIMATELY 33.5 ACRES OF LAND FROM RURAL/SILVICULTURE (R/S) TO RESIDENTIAL-A (RES-A). THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY HEARD THIS ITEM AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING ON JUNE 17, 2021, WHERE THEY VOTED TO RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT WITH A 5-2 VOTE

Proof of publication of the notice of public hearing on COMPAMD 2020-09, Indian Branch Farms, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on May 21, 2021.

Shannon Acevedo, Matthews Design Group, 7 Waldo Street, representing the applicant, presented the details of the request, via PowerPoint.

(10:15 a.m.) Melissa Stratton, 5425 Church Road, spoke in opposition of the request due to concerns with the increase in homes, the width of Church Road, and drainage.

(10:18 a.m.) William Cronin, 904 Brookhaven Drive, stated he was not in opposition of the project; however, had some concerns with the road.

(10:19 a.m.) Colly Stole, 450 Indian Branch Ranch Road, spoke on his concerns with the future of Church Road.

(10:20 a.m.) Janet Patten, representing St. Johns County Civic Round Table, spoke on her concerns with new homes being built on septic tanks, and submitted a letter from the Civic Round Table, *Exhibit A*.

(10:22 a.m.) BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, expressed her appreciation toward the residents that voiced their opinions.

(10:24 a.m.) Smith requested Acevedo to address the public's concerns and stated his concerns were with flooding. Acevedo explained an engineered plan would be worked on to address Indian Branch Ranch Road and it would comply with the section of the Land Development Code (LDC) 60407B, which would allow for existing rights-of-way to meet a certain standard when there were nine or less dwelling units. She noted the plan would be to pave the first 100 feet and have a 20-foot-wide stabilized surface to support

an emergency vehicle with a cul-de-sac radius big enough for an emergency vehicle. Discussion ensued on access and drainage concerns.

(10:30 a.m.) Dean explained he felt comfortable having the septic tanks on 5-acre minimum lots. Blocker requested clarification on the septic tank concerns. Acevedo explained the applicant was not looking for a variance for the septic tanks and would comply with LDC requirements, and that there were no utilities close by.

(10:32 a.m.) Motion by Smith, seconded by Dean, carried 5/0, to enact Ordinance No. 2021-45, approving COMPAMD 2020-09, Indian Branch Farms, based on four findings of fact, as provided in the staff report.

Yea: Smith, Dean, Blocker, Whitehurst, Waldron Nay: None

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2021-45

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS, STATE OF FLORIDA, AMENDING THE 2025 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE NO. 2010-38, AS AMENDED, TO CHANGE THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION FROM RURAL SILVICULTURE (R/S) TO RESIDENTIAL-A (RES-A) FOR APPROXIMATELY 33.5 ACRES OF LAND, LOCATED ALONG INDIAN BRANCH RANCH ROAD; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; FINDINGS OF CONSISTENCY; SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(08/03/21 - 13 - 10:33 a.m.)

3. PUBLIC HEARING - CDD AMD-2021-05, TROUT CREEK CDD. PETITION TO AMEND THE TROUT CREEK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (CDD), TO ADD APPROXIMATELY 452.62 ACRES. IF APPROVED, THE CDD WILL ENCOMPASS APPROXIMATELY 1450.52 ACRES AND WILL SERVE THE ASHFORD MILLS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD). THE CDD IS LOCATED IN COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS 1 AND 2

Proof of publication of the notice of public hearing on CDD AMD-2021-05, Trout Creek CDD, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on July 12, 2021.

Katie S. Buchanan, Hopping Green & Sams, P.A., 119 S. Monroe Street, Suite 300, Tallahassee, representing the applicant, presented the details of the request, via PowerPoint.

(10:38 a.m.) Anna Ryan, 324 Beale Avenue, spoke in opposition of the request with concerns on the lack of transparency.

(10:42 a.m.) Carla Justice, 155 Beale Avenue, spoke in opposition of the request with concerns on the lack of transparency.

(10:45 a.m.) Danfer Vera, 309 Glenneyre Circle, submitted documentation of 325 residents that were requesting the Board to deny the request, *Exhibit A*. (10:55 a.m.) Subsequently, he spoke in opposition of the request.

(10:45 a.m.) Frank Murphy, 247 Dalton Circle, spoke on his concerns with the applicant increasing the boundary by 50 percent.

(10:47 a.m.) Ronnie Murphy, 247 Dalton Circle, spoke in opposition of the request.

(10:50 a.m.) Steve Pena, 371 Glenneyre Circle, spoke in opposition of the request with concerns on the lack of transparency.

(10:51 a.m.) Kathleen Sajkowski, 180 Rivercliff Trail, questioned whether the Board structure for the CDD would change, if the Board approved the change to amend the additional 550 acres and if any change to the number of residential units required separate planning board hearings; and submitted her questions for the record, *Exhibit B*.

(10:52 a.m.) Daryl Boyko, 145 Rivercliff Trail, spoke in opposition of the request.

(10:56 a.m.) Gene Beck, 255 Beale Avenue, spoke in opposition of the request.

(11:00 a.m.) BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, read written public comment on behalf of Lyne Moody, 331 Beale Avenue, *Exhibit C*.

(11:03 a.m.) Vincent Sajkowski, 180 Rivercliff Trail, spoke in opposition of the request with concerns of the unknown.

(11:04 a.m.) McCormack addressed the questions that were asked by Kathleen Sajkowski and noted the expansion itself would not alter the Board structure. Additional comments were provided by Buchanan and Ryan Stillwater, Prosser, explaining the bulk of the improvements to the CDD boundaries. Discussion ensued on the expansion areas and the different uses.

(11:09 a.m.) Blocker requested a response to public comment concerns. Buchanan explained there were regular district board meetings that were advertised in the newspaper and were scheduled bi-monthly.

(11:11 a.m.) Smith questioned how the developer planned to fund improvements within the non- CDD area, if the request was denied. Buchanan explained the improvements would no longer be funded by the CDD and the developer would most likely look into an internal financing source or reevaluate the improvements. Discussion ensued on the kayak launch, financial burden to residents with the expansion, development rights for future expansion, and the number of homes that were entitled for the neighborhood. McCormack clarified there was no intent to increase the number of units that were not already approved and explained there were statutory criteria pertaining to the CDD, which was provided in the staff report and that staff had reviewed the six findings of fact.

(11:27 a.m.) Motion by Smith, seconded by Dean, carried 4/1, with Blocker dissenting, to enact Ordinance No. 2021-46, granting the petition for the expansion of the Trout Creek Community Development District.

Yea: Smith, Dean, Whitehurst, Waldron Nay: Blocker

## ORDINANCE NO. 2021-46

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS, STATE OF FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2014-44, AND GRANTING THE PETITION FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE TROUT CREEK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 190, FLORIDA STATUTES (2020); DESCRIBING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE AMENDED DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE (08/03/21 - 15 - 11:28 a.m.)

4. PUBLIC HEARING - REZ 2021-12, CONTENT A1A REZONING. REQUEST TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 0.44 ACRES FROM COMMERCIAL NEIGHBORHOOD (CN) TO RESIDENTIAL MANUFACTURED/MOBILE HOME OR SINGLE FAMILY (RMH(S)) TO ALLOW FOR TWO SINGLE FAMILY HOMES. THIS ITEM WAS HEARD BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY AT THEIR REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 3, 2021. THE AGENCY VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL, 7-0

Proof of publication of the notice of public hearing on REZ 2021-12, Content A1A Rezoning, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on May 7, 2021.

Ex Parte communications: Whitehurst disclosed that he received an email, name not provided, regarding the impact of the rezoning to her property value.

(11:29 a.m.) Steve Ladrido, 167 Pescado Drive, Regional Director for Caldwell Bankers, presented the details of the request, via PowerPoint.

(11:31 a.m.) Motion by Waldron, seconded by Dean, carried 5/0, to enact Ordinance No. 2021-47, based on four findings of fact, as provided in the staff report.

Yea: Blocker, Dean, Smith, Waldron, and Whitehurst Nay: None

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2021-47

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS, STATE OF FLORIDA, REZONING LANDS, AS DESCRIBED HEREINAFTER, FROM THE PRESENT CLASSIFICATION OF ZONING COMMERCIAL **RESIDENTIAL**, **NEIGHBORHOOD** (CN)TO MANUFACTURED/MOBILE HOME OR SINGLE FAMILY (RMH(S)); MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT; REQUIRING **RECORDATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE** DATE

(08/03/21 - 15 - 11:32 a.m.)

5. PUBLIC HEARING - VACROA 2021-04, A PUBLIC HEARING TO VACATE AN UNOPENED/UNIMPROVED RIGHT-OF-WAY, WITHIN THE ATCHESON SUBDIVISION. THE APPLICANT REQUESTS A VACATION OF A SECTION OF UNOPENED/UNIMPROVED CYPRESS AVENUE, ALSO KNOWN AS CYPRESS STREET, BETWEEN LOTS 17 AND 18, WITHIN THE ATCHESON SUBDIVISION. BASED ON STAFF'S REVIEW THUS FAR, TRAFFIC PATTERNS WILL NOT BE NEGATIVELY IMPACTED, AND NO PARTY WILL BE UNREASONABLY AFFECTED BY THE REQUESTED VACATION

Proof of publication of the notice of public hearing on VACROA 2021-04, Cypress Avenue, a petition to vacate a portion of Cypress Avenue aka Cypress Street right-of-way, within the Atcheson Subdivision, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on July13, 2021.

Ralph Gambale, Applicant, 715 Rodriquez Street, presented the details of the request, via PowerPoint.

(11:33 a.m.) Motion by Smith, seconded by Dean, carried 5/0, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-335, approving VACROA 2021-04, Cypress Avenue, a petition to vacate a portion of Cypress Avenue aka Cypress Street right-of-way, within the Atcheson Subdivision.

Yea: Blocker, Dean, Smith, Waldron, and Whitehurst Nay: None

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-335

#### A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, VACATING A PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOWN AS CYPRESS AVENUE

(08/03/21 - 16 - 11:35 a.m.)

6. FIRST READING - LDC AMENDMENTS - FAMILY FARMS. LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT - FAMILY FARMS. THE ATTACHED DRAFT ORDINANCE PROPOSES MODIFICATIONS TO THE TEXT OF SECTIONS 5.04.02 "DESIGN RULE", 5.04.06 "EXEMPTIONS TO PLANNED RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PRD) REQUIREMENTS", AND 6.08.17 "FAMILY FARMS." THE SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 17, 2021. THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY HEARD THIS ITEM AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING ON JULY 15, 2021, AND VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL, WITH A 6-0 VOTE

Proof of publication of the notice of public hearing on LDC Amendments – Family Farms, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on July 7, 2021.

Joseph Cearley, Special Projects Manager, presented the details of the amendments, via PowerPoint.

(08/03/21 - 16 - 11:39 a.m.)

FIRST READING - LDC AMENDMENTS - WORKFORCE HOUSING. LAND 7. DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT - WORKFORCE HOUSING. THE ATTACHED DRAFT ORDINANCE PROPOSES MODIFICATIONS TO THE TEXT OF SECTIONS 5.11.00 "WORKFORCE HOUSING ZONING DESIGNATION" AND ARTICLE XII, "DEFINITIONS." THE SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 17, 2021. THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY HEARD THIS ITEM AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING ON JULY 15, 2021, AND VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL, WITH A 6-0 VOTE

Proof of publication of the notice of public hearing on LDC Amendments – Workforce Housing, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on July 15, 2021.

Joseph Cearley, Special Projects Manager, presented the details of the LDC Amendments, via PowerPoint. He provided a history and spoke on the proposed amendments. He also provided four options for the Board to consider, 1) a percentage of the Annual Median Income (AMI), 2) cannot exceed 80-120 percent of the AMI, 3) the Construction Pricing Index (CPI) would compound annually, and 4) place a numerical figure of \$240,000 in the LDC that would be amended in the future, or any other option that the Board may suggest.

(11:43 a.m.) BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, spoke on the number of required public hearings being reduced; the inability for developers to construct workforce housing for

\$210,000 by increasing the price of non-workforce housing; the formula used for calculating the AMI; and made a suggestion to use \$240,000 as the workforce housing price in the LDC and then the developers could increase the sale price of other units in the development to increase their bottom line.

(11:47 a.m.) Discussion ensued on the presented options, the cost of construction, whether the construction cost index (CCI) could be negative and directed staff to move forward with the second reading and to clarify the language with the ability for the cost to decrease.

(08/03/21 - 17 - 12:02 p.m.)

FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2022 RECOMMENDED BUDGET AND PROPOSED 8. MILLAGE RATES. THE ANNUAL COUNTY BUDGET PROCESS REQUIRES A NUMBER OF STEPS, RANGING FROM ITS PREPARATION THROUGH ADOPTION, PER FLORIDA STATUTES (F.S. 129.03(3) AND F.S. 200.065, TRUTH IN MILLAGE REQUIREMENTS). THE TRUTH IN MILLAGE (TRIM) PROCESS INFORMS TAXPAYERS AND THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS BY WHICH LOCAL TAXING AUTHORITIES DETERMINE AD VALOREM (PROPERTY) TAXES. ON JULY 20, 2021, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECEIVED THE FY 2022 RECOMMENDED BUDGET, BALANCED WITH EXPENDITURES AND ADEQUATE RESERVES WITHIN EACH COUNTY FUND EQUAL TO PROJECTED FUND REVENUES. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET REPRESENTS A FUNDING LEVEL THAT CAN REASONABLY ASSURE THE ACHIEVEMENT OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY'S OPERATIONAL NEEDS WHILE MINIMIZING THE TAX IMPACT ON ITS CITIZENRY. AN ELECTRONIC VERSION (IN PDF FORMAT) OF THE WORKBOOK MAY BE FOUND ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AT: AND WWW.SJCFL.US/OMB. FOLLOWING THE DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATION OF A RECOMMENDED BUDGET, THE COUNTY IS OBLIGATED TO PROVIDE CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING THAT BUDGET TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER. THIS INFORMATION INCLUDES: 1) THE FY 2021 MILLAGE RATES; 2) THE FY 2022 PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES; 3) THE FY 2022 ROLLED-BACK RATES; AND 4) THE DATE, TIME, AND MEETING PLACE OF THE TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING. THIS INFORMATION IS PLACED ON DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE DR-420 FORMS AND FORWARDED TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER. THOSE FORMS PROVIDE THE BASIS FOR THE "TRIM" NOTICE MAILED BY THE PROPERTY APPRAISER TO PROPERTY OWNERS IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY. THE BCC WILL NEED TO APPROVE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES (SEE THE ATTACHED SHEET) FOR THE COUNTY'S TRIM MAILING, AND APPROVE SEPTEMBER 7, 2021, AT 5:01 P.M., IN THE COUNTY AUDITORIUM AS THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE FY 2022 ANNUAL BUDGET. FOR PRACTICAL PURPOSES, ONCE THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATES ARE SET, THEY CAN STILL BE DECREASED BUT NOT INCREASED

Jesse Dunn, Director, Office of Management and Budget, presented the details of the recommended budget and proposed millage rates, via PowerPoint, which included the 5th cent tax increase, and the multi-year capital grant carryforward. He reviewed the property tax revenue, rolled back rates for FY 2022, fuel taxes, half-cent sales tax, Tourist Development Tax, budget summaries, capital improvement projects, and millage fund reserves.

(12:12 p.m.) BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, questioned the rolled back rates, travel expenses; then, questioned last years recommended budget.

(12:15 p.m.) Dean questioned whether there would be a beach renourishment project started FY 2022, that would require an assessment. Andrews responded. Dunn added additional comments regarding the beach renourishment MSTU's.

(12:22 p.m.) Motion by Dean, seconded by Whitehurst, carried 5/0, to approve the proposed millage rates for Fiscal Year 2022, as reflected in the staff presentation.

(12:23 p.m.) Motion by Smith, seconded by Dean, carried 5/0, to authorize the completion and execution of the Fiscal Year 2022 Form DR-420's by the county administrator, with the approved proposed millage rates and the establishment of September 7, 2021, at 5:01 p.m., in the County Auditorium, as the first public hearing for the adoption of the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Fiscal Year 2022 Budget.

(08/03/21 - 18 - 12:25 p.m.) PUBLIC COMMENT

William Hennesy, 5461 4th Street, voiced his concerns with the homeowner adjacent to the Palmetto Road Boat Ramp and showed a map of the area, *Exhibit A*.

(12:29 p.m.) BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, spoke on the memorial that was relocated to Trout Creek that had been vandalized. She also mentioned that a City of St. Augustine's politician stated that zip code 32084 was designated to the city limits of the City of St. Augustine and clarified that the 32084 zip code was also designated for other parts of the County. Additionally, she said that general public comment belonged at the beginning of the meeting.

(08/03/21 - 18 - 12:33 p.m.) COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

#### Commissioner Smith

Smith provided an agriculture report. Additionally, he summarized his meeting with Carl Blow, Commissioner with Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND), on July 23, 2021, regarding the permitting for the Palm Valley West boat ramp. Blow encouraged the Board to send a letter to Federal Representatives Rutherford, Rubio, and Scott, requesting that the Army Corps of Engineers review and grant the necessary permit, due to FIND, on September 20, 2021, in order to move the project forward. *Consensus was given to send a letter to congressional representatives Rutherford, Rubio, and Scott, requesting to expedite the permit for the Palm Valley West boat ramp.* 

## Commissioner Dean

(12:36 p.m.) Dean commended Blocker for running a swift and productive meeting.

#### Commissioner Waldron

(12:37 p.m.) Waldron mentioned Karen Brunner's retirement and thanked her for her 31 years of service. Additionally, he congratulated Ryan Murphy, from Ponte Vedra Beach, for his gold, silver, and bronze medals for swimming in the Olympics; and Caleb Dressel, from Clay County for his five gold medals in swimming.

#### Commissioner Whitehurst

(12:38 p.m.) Whitehurst requested that Shawna Novak, Director of Health and Human Services, provide an update on the rental assistance program. Novak provided an overview of the program. Whitehurst asked how to make sure that the program didn't

deincentivize people from getting back to work. Novak spoke on the caps placed per household and that there was a tie back to COVID-19.

(12:41 p.m.) Waldron asked whether it would be viable to have the Carrier Source Advisory Board contact HHS to assist in job placements. Novak responded.

#### Commissioner Blocker

(12:42 p.m.) Blocker spoke on the efforts and challenges, regarding the issues with the residential waste collection and read from the summary of the residential waste collection issues, *Exhibit A*. He also noted that he had completed the county administrator's evaluation and that the county attorney's hiring committee would be evaluating applications for the county attorney position. Blocker said that McCormack was working on a list of outstanding issues including redistricting, several litigation cases, and other pending matters. Additionally, he spoke on the 200th Anniversary Celebration.

(08/03/21 - 19 - 12:48 p.m.) COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

No report.

(08/03/21 - 19 - 12:48 p.m.) COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report.

(08/03/21 - 19 - 12:48 p.m.) CLERK OF COURT'S REPORT

No report.

(08/03/21 - 19 - 12:48 p.m.) ADJOURN

With there being no further business to come before the Board, Blocker adjourned the meeting at 12:48 p.m.

#### <u>REPORTS</u>:

- 1. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 592887-592891, totaling \$123,648.95 (07/28/21)
- 2. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 592892-592898, totaling \$3,131.56 and Voucher Register, Voucher Nos. 59032-59034, totaling \$755.11 (07/29/21)
- 3. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Voucher Register, Voucher Nos. 59035-59036, totaling \$8,301.92 (07/29/21)
- 4. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 592899-593050, totaling \$,575,284.75 and Voucher Register, Voucher Nos. 59037-59122, totaling \$2,602,850.69 (08/03/21)
- 5. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 593051-593080, totaling \$25,393.16 and Voucher Register, Voucher Nos. 59123-59167, totaling \$56,461.30 (08/04/21)

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_August 17\_\_\_\_\_, 2021

BOARD OF COUNTY, COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA B R. Blocker, Chair Jeremiah

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