

**CITY OF JACKSONVILLE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 17, 2022
6:00 P.M. - 6:11 P.M.**

REGULAR MONTHLY REPORT/CODE ENFORCEMENT

Council Member Bolden moved, seconded by Council Member Ray to approve the regular monthly report as presented for February 2022.

Assigned Calls	90
<u>Self-Initiated Calls</u>	<u>173</u>

Follow Up Inspections	345	Apartment Complexes Inspected	0
Three Day Notice	167	Red Tags Issued	11
Seven Day Letter	111	Search Warrants	1
Citations Issued	20	Rehabbed Structures	2
Vehicles Tagged	47	Structures Condemned	0
Vehicles Towed	15	Demolition by City	0
Garbage Cans Tagged	2	Demolition by Owner	3
Basketball Goals	4	Parking Violations	0
Structures Inspected	4	Grass Mowed	0

REGULAR MONTHLY REPORT/ANIMAL CONTROL

Council Member Bolden moved, seconded by Council Member Ray to approve the regular monthly report for February 2022.

ADOPTION FEES/FINES	\$ 1,430.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	<u>0.00</u>
TOTALS	\$ 1,430.00

ROLL CALL: Council Member: Dietz, Bolden, Blevins, Sansing, Ray, and Twitty voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

- WATER DEPARTMENT:**
- WASTEWATER DEPARTMENTS:**
- FIRE DEPARTMENT:**
- STREET DEPARTMENT:**
- POLICE DEPARTMENT:**
- SANITATION DEPARTMENT:**
- PARKS & RECREATION:**
- PLANNING COMMISSION:**
- COMMITTEE(S):**

GENERAL: a. CDBG 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Mayor Johnson introduced the new CDBG Director Benita Bosier.

Director Bosier stated she is an Army Veteran, served 4 years active duty overseas, and 14 years in the Arkansas National Guard. She added that she brings 16 years of Federal Grants Management experience from the State level coming from the Arkansas Department of Health, managing 356 million dollars in COVID dollars. She said she has never had an incident with Federal funds, saying that she has maintained relationships with Federal departments, adding that she brings that experience to the City of Jacksonville.

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Consultant Theresa Watson answered that she served 20 years as CDBG Director.

She noted corrections in the report on page 1, second paragraph the demolition was one project with 4 units. She then noted a correction on page 2 regarding those stats being 4 instead of 1, making the percentage 133.33% and under the expected year program it should be 400%.

Council Member Ray moved to accept the CDBG 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report as presented.

In response to a question from Council Member Blevins, Ms. Watson answered that the homeless count was done in 2022 and will be reported in next year's report. She then answered that the 2022 count was 15 households which netted a total count of 42 individuals.

Council Member Ray questioned if additional monies would be granted from the Government since the pandemic is almost over.

Ms. Watson stated that they received notification Tuesday, the Bill for this year's allocation has been signed for 2022 and CDBG was cut 4.5%, meaning that more than likely the City of Jacksonville will receive less than the \$200,000.00 received last year. She explained that the Government cut the funding to fund an Economic Development program, surmising that they may put the money back in next year. She then answered that the amount of the cut is determined by a formula and one of the criteria it is based on is population, poverty and other factors to determine each entitlement.

Council Member Ray called for a question to the motion.

Council Member Ray moved, seconded by Council Member Bolden to accept the CDBG 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

b. ORDINANCE 1689 (#8-22)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT FOR FIBER OPTIC CABLE, DATA MANAGEMENT, DIGITAL INFORMATION SERVICES, AND ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY WITH UNITE PRIVATE NETWORKS LLC; AND, FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Council Member Bolden moved, seconded by Council Member Blevins to place Ordinance 1689 on **FIRST READING. ROLL CALL:** Council Member Dietz, Bolden, Blevins, Sansing, Ray, and Twitty voted AYE. (0) voted NAY. **MOTION CARRIED. Whereupon City Attorney Friedman read the heading of Ordinance 1689.**

Mayor Johnson stated that Unite Private Networks, LLC is a broadband provider, that he believes is mostly going to serve commercial businesses. He then answered that it will be a franchise type of arrangement with the City.

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Council Member Sansing moved, seconded by Council Member Bolden to **APPROVE** Ordinance 1689 on **FIRST READING**. **ROLL CALL**: Council Member Dietz, Bolden, Blevins, Sansing, Ray, and Twitty Rains voted AYE. **MOTION CARRIED**.

ORDINANCE 1689 (#8-2022) will be placed on second reading at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

c. Introduction of Chamber of Commerce C.E.O. Melanie Baden

Council Member Twitty requested the item be pulled from the agenda for a later time.

APPOINTMENTS: PLANNING COMMISSION

Council Member Ray moved, seconded by Council Member Sansing to approve the reappointment of Jeff Twitty, Tanner Ruple, and Bill Hall for terms to expire 01/01/2025. **MOTION CARRIED**.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Council Member Ray moved, seconded by Council Member Twitty to approve the reappointment of Valerie Perry for a term to expire 05/09/2026. **MOTION CARRIED**.

PUBLIC FACILITIES BOARD

Council Member Ray moved, seconded by Council Member Sansing to approve the reappointment of Steven Pawloski for a term to expire 10/24/2026. **MOTION CARRIED**.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Without objection, Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:11 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED**.

Respectfully,

Susan L. Davitt
City Clerk-Treasurer

MAYOR BOB JOHNSON