## How to look up a bill or monitor legislation online

1. First log on to the Internet

2. Then go to www.coj.net This is the City of Jacksonville homepage.

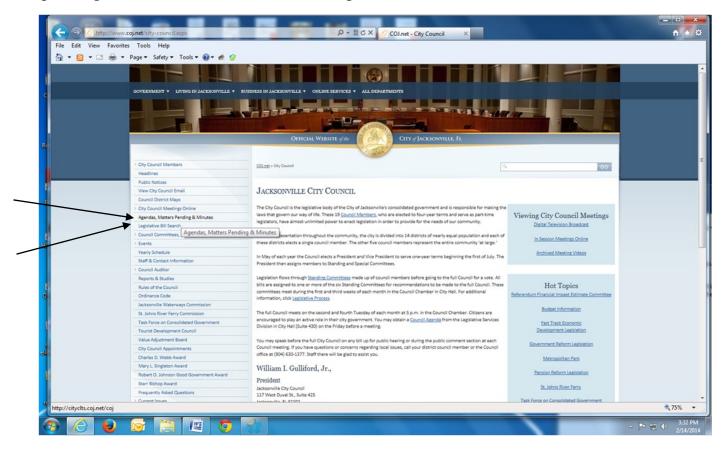
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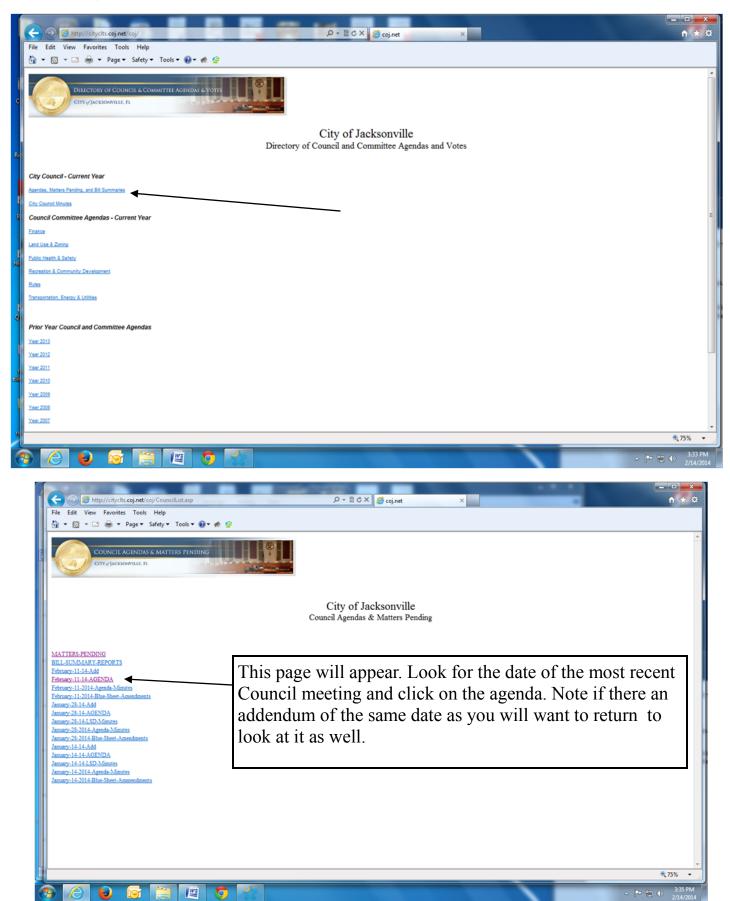
Click on the left tab "Government" and a drop down menu will appear. If you know the bill number you want to look up you can go straight to bill search at this point OR click on City Council for information on agendas, meetings, video archives, etc.



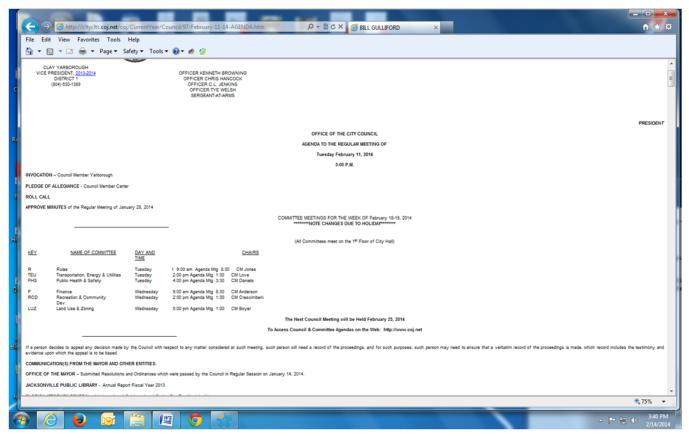
If you select City Council, you get this page. Note the choices include Agendas, Matters pending and Minutes as one item and Legislative bill search as another.



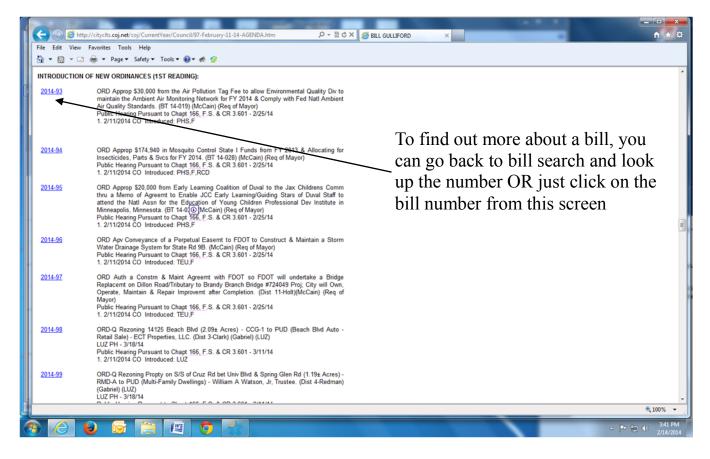
If you clicked on the Agenda, Matters Pending, Minutes tab, the page below will open. From there you can check an upcoming agenda for any committee OR if you are looking for new bills that might impact you, click on Agenda, Matters Pending and Bill Summaries under City Council

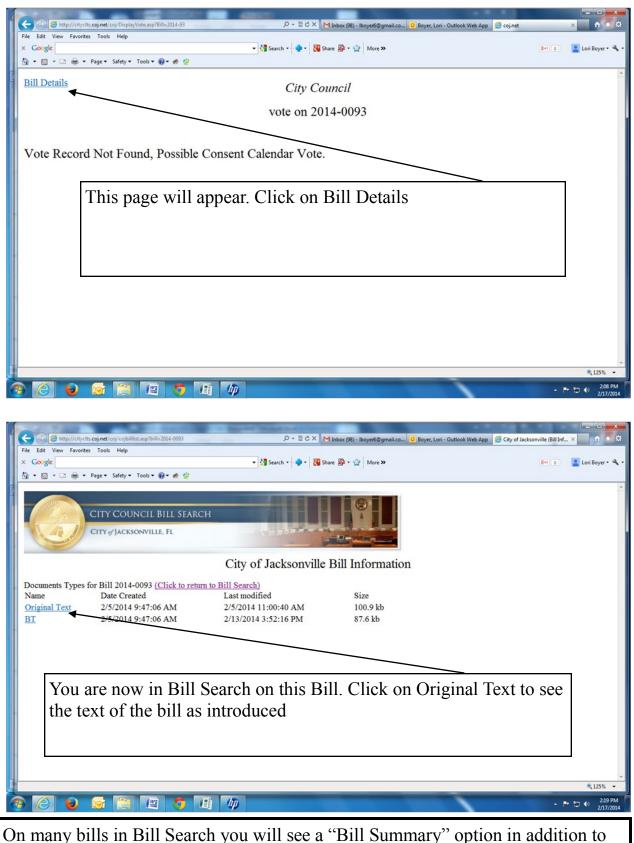


The agenda will be multiple pages and the first page looks like this

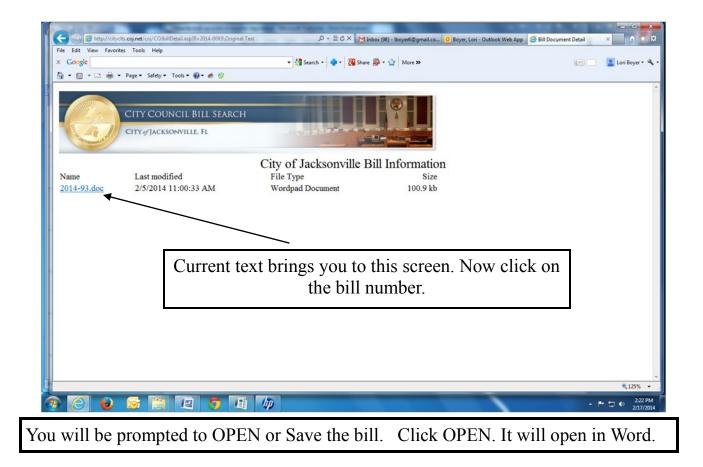


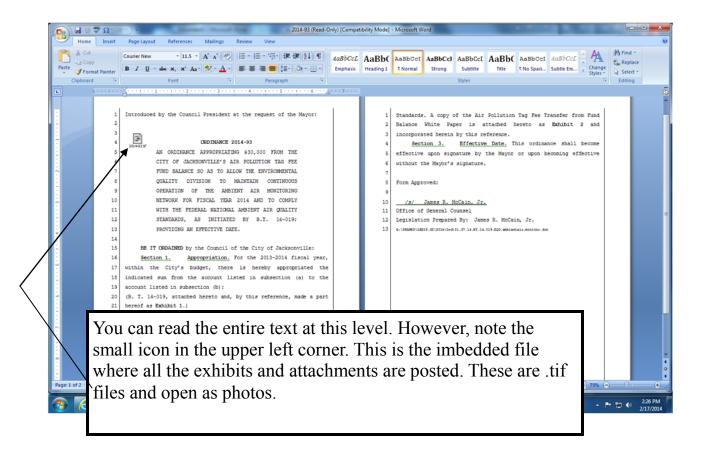
Flip through the agenda until you come to Introduction of new Resolutions followed by New Ordinances. These are new bills and your first opportunity to find out what is being proposed.





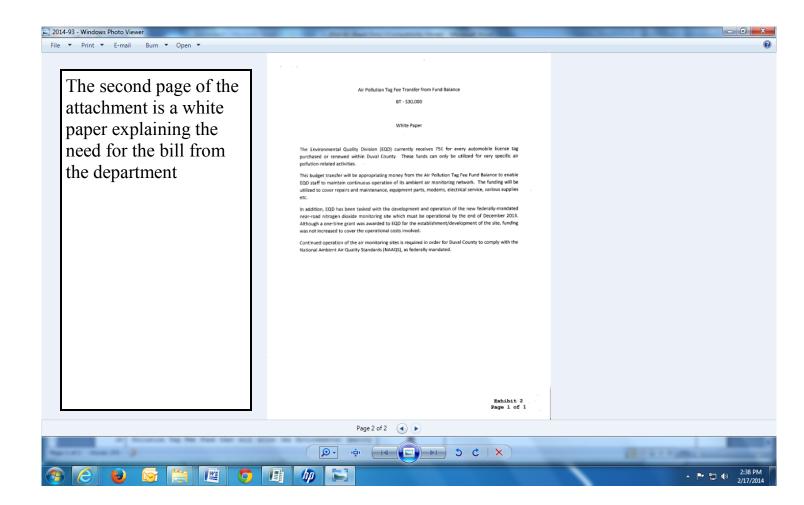
On many bills in Bill Search you will see a "Bill Summary" option in addition to Original Text. Amendments will appear here as well as "Current Text" if amendments were adopted. <u>Always look at Current Text for bills that have been en-</u>



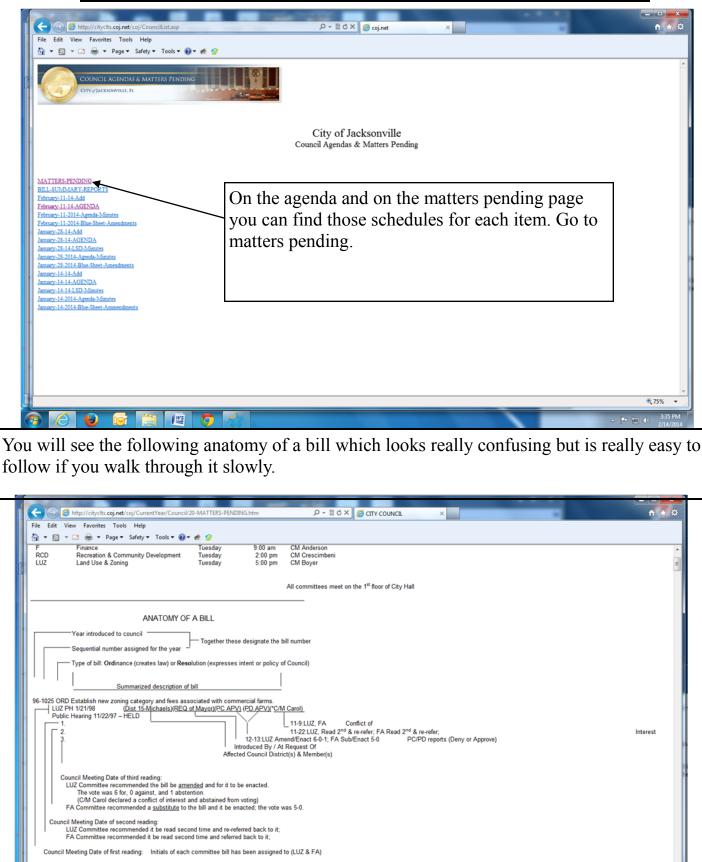


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What if you want to find out when public hearings will be held, or when to expect action on a bill?



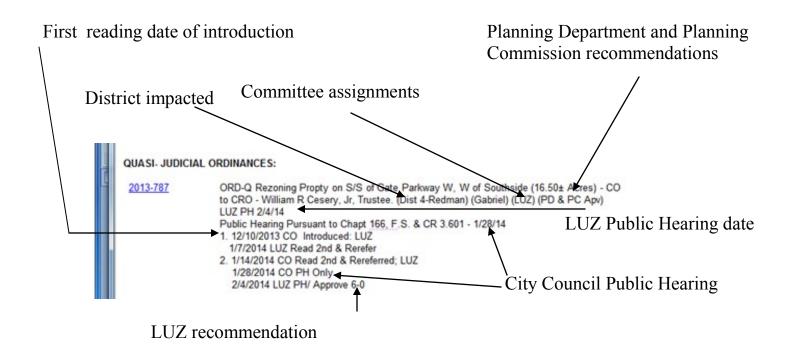
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2013-226	<ul> <li>ORD-MC Repealing Part 2 (Entertainmt Dist), Chapt 191 (Spec Events &amp; Entertainmt Dist), Ord Code; Amend Sec 368.105 (Exceptions), Part 1 (Gen Provisions), Chapt 368 (Noise Control), to Remove the Exception for Chapt 191. (Sidman) (Introduced by CM Schellenberg &amp; Crescimbeni)</li> <li>Public Hearing Pursuant to Chapt <u>166, F.S. &amp; CR 3.601 - 4/23/13</u></li> <li>1. 4/9/2013 CO Introduced: R,TEU,RCD 4/15/2013 Read 2nd &amp; Rerefer; 4/15/2013 TEU Read 2nd &amp; Rerefer</li> <li>2. 4/23/2013 CO PH Read 2nd &amp; Rereferred; R, TEU, RCD</li> </ul>	

Try it yourself with a few other bills