

## Special Committee on the Future of JEA

### AGENDA

Thursday, May 17, 2018  
3:30 PM  
Council Chambers 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, City Hall

Tape No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Owens, Chief of Legislative Services

#### Councilmembers

##### **John R. Crescimbeni, Chair**

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Meeting Convened:  
Meeting Adjourned:

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**
  2. **Introductions**
  3. **Reports from JEA – Jordan Pope**
    - **Water and sewer grants that are available to both IOU's and municipal utilities**
    - **Water and sewer expansion considerations for JEA versus IOU's**
  4. **Update from Council President Brosche – Request of JEA Board**
  5. **Presentation by Jacksonville Supervisor of Elections – Michael Hogan**
  6. **Public Comments**
  7. **Announcements**
  8. **Adjourn**

*Note: RULE 4.505 DISRUPTION OF MEETING No member of the audience shall applaud nor make any noise or remarks that are audible to the Committee that would indicate approval or disapproval of anything being discussed.*

**\*\*Note: Other Items may be added at the discretion of the chair.\*\*  
The next special committee meeting date will be Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 2:00 PM.**

## Tab 11 Follow-up Information

- Councilman Crescimbeni – what water and sewer grants are available to IOUs as well as municipal utilities.

There are some grant opportunities available to both municipal and private water and wastewater utilities as well as others:

- Water Management District - Cost Share Program
  - The St. Johns River Water Management District offers cost-sharing programs for projects that assist in creating sustainable water resources, provide flood protection and enhance conservation efforts.
- State Appropriation Projects

The application process to secure funding can be cumbersome and complex, and is very competitive due to the limited availability of dollars from the funding entity. It is also important to note that available funds at the state and federal level may be cyclical. This is especially the case with some federal programs.

- Councilman Becton wanted more information comparing JEA versus a private utility when it comes to water and sewer expansion considerations.
  - The majority of water and sewer utilities in Florida follow the philosophy of “growth should pay for growth”. To that end, the Florida Statutes have allowed utilities to employ upfront fees in funding the infrastructure necessary for new development.
  - Growth-related plant expansion and line extension costs are typically paid by developers who are requiring new connections to the water and sewer systems.
  - Both municipal and private utilities utilize the upfront fee mechanism to assess new customers a contribution or “buy-in” to the system. This serves to bridge the funding gap for the capital related expansion from existing customers.