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Subject: REVISED - CM Priestly Jackson - Response to Noticed Meeting JEA Recapitalization CM LeAnna Cumber

Revised, for the record, to reflect grammatical revisions.

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Message from Councilwoman Brenda Priestly Jackson:

I am writing to share my concerns and the deeply troubling nature of the noticed meeting forwarded this morning by Council Member LeAnna Cumber, our City Council colleague, regarding the recapitalization of JEA and her meeting noticed for Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. We are a collegial body governed by the City Council rules and our City Council leadership. Guidance and next steps regarding JEA and the discussion of the five recapitalization options should be led by our City Council president, President Scott Wilson, our City Council vice-president, Vice-President Tommy Hazouri, in legal consultation with our outside counsel, Smith Halsey & Busey-Stephen D. Busey, Esquire and each of us. A noticed meeting regarding this most significant and important issue by one colleague appears both premature and in contravention of our Council rules and a true spirit of mutual respect and collaboration, one for another.

We must support and afford Council President Wilson the opportunity to review, discuss and present this matter to us consistent with our role as the City Council-the legislative branch of our Jacksonville City government. I believe that we are strongest together. We will serve our neighbors and city best if we draw upon each members' unique abilities and respect the process of our self-governance and decorum.

Peace,
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