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20220907 Noticed Meeting CM Jackson and CM DeFoor

Minutes

Meeting Time & Date: 1:00 p.m. on September 7, 2022

Meeting Location: St. James Building, Don Davis Room, Jacksonville City Hall, 117 W. Duval St., Jacksonville, Florida

Attendance: Council Member Brenda Priestly Jackson, Council Member Randy DeFoor, Council Vice President Ron Salem, Council Member Ju'Coby Pittman, Carla Miller, Former Director of the Office of Ethics, Compliance and Oversight, Executive Council Assistant Markello A. Spivey, Executive Council Assistant Brooks Dame,

Full list of attendance is available with Legislative Services.

Minutes:

Council Member Brenda Priestly Jackson and Council Member Randy DeFoor met with a Ms. Carla Miller and a U.S. State Department delegation to discuss best practices relative to governance and legislation as elected officials to discuss municipally owned utilities (JEA). Ms. Miller introduced the delegation. Council Members Priestly Jackson and DeFoor shared their experience during the attempt to sell JEA starting in July 2019. Council Member Priestly Jackson instructed the delegation to stand firm if they believed they received poor or incorrect legal counsel, noting the "cone of silence" the Jacksonville City Council was placed under when JEA entered Invitation to Negotiate (ITN).

Council Members Priestly Jackson and DeFoor opened the floor for questions from the deligation.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:05 P.M.

Minutes prepared by Markello A. Spivey, Executive Council Assistant to Council Member Brenda Priestly Jackson. A full recording of the discussion is available upon request. The following items were submitted for public record and can be accessed by contacting the Legislative Services Division:

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