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> District 10 General Community Meeting and Updates Hosted by Council Member Brenda Priestly Jackson September 12, 2022 6:00 P.M.

Location: Webb Wesconnett Regional Library, 6887 103rd Street, Jacksonville, FL 32210

Attendees: CM Priestly Jackson, Dr. Charles Moreland, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - City of Jacksonville; Steve Long, Operations Director - City of Jacksonville, Public Works; Daryl Joseph, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services - City of Jacksonville.

Meeting Convened: 6:02 P.M.

Council Member Priestly Jackson welcomed the neighbors and thanked them for attending the meeting. CM Priestly Jackson introduced her new ECA, Markello Spivey.

Dr. Charles Moreland, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - City of Jacksonville, informed District 10 neighbors that residents are still dealing with COVID-19. He advised that you get your flu shots and COVID-19 vaccines in preparation for the upcoming flu season. Dr. Moreland gave District 10 neighbors an update on Emergency Rental and Utilities Assistance program. To the date of the meeting, the program has assisted 703 District 10 neighbors with rental assistance totaling \$3.6M and another \$218,000 in utilities assistance was distributed. Dr. Moreland also mentioned funding in the Mortgage Relief Program is still available and distributed a flyer with information. The program is a city program where dollars were received from the U.S. Treasury for mortgage help. There is still about \$141,000 dollars available. The form is available on www.coj.net under the neighborhoods department. Dr. Morland advised neighbors we are in hurricane season and to be prepared and have a plan. Hurricane season goes from June 1st to November 30th of every year. Neighbors can visit www.jaxready.com for more information.

Steve Long, Operations Director - City of Jacksonville, provided a summary of Public Works projects and activities related to roadway improvements, drainage system rehabilitation projects and micro-surfacing initiatives. Some of the projects highlighted are below.

- 5th Street Bridge Replacement (West of Edgewood, next to JEA Lift Station) Funding anticipated October 1, 2022.
- Ricker Rd (3-lane section Morse Ave to Old Middleburg Rd) is in design phase.
- Wills Branch Dredge dredging Wills Branch between Old Middleburg Road to 2,200 feet east of Lane Avenue
- Firestone Rd / Wheat Rd Intersection Improvements is in the bid process

- Biltmore Neighborhood Septic Tank Phase Out is near completion
- Mayor's budget included \$500,000 in sidewalk repairs for District 10
- 218 trees have been requested by residents through the Tree Planting Program

Daryl Joseph, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services - City of Jacksonville, provided an update on park projects in District 10. He mentioned that we are nearing the end of a very exciting summer for our summer camps, swimming pools, and parks. He also informed neighbors that \$1.6M in project in northwest district 10. The funding will be used to focus the renovation existing facilities like playgrounds, restrooms, and other park amenities. Jackson State and BC-U will play at TIAA Bank Field Saturday, October 15, 2022. The Annual Florida and Georgia game will be held Saturday, October 29,2022. He encouraged neighbors to attend both games.

CM Priestly Jackson opened the meeting for questions from the neighbors to share additional concerns.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:14 P.M.

Minutes: Prepared by Markello Spivey, Executive Council Assistant - District 10, 904-255-5146, <u>Mspivey@coj.net</u>

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