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Meeting Minutes

Location: Don Davis Room on the first floor of City Hall at 117 West Duval Street, Jacksonville, FL 32210

Attendance: Council Member Jimmy Peluso, Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murry, Council Auditor Phillip Peterson, Capital Improvement Plan Administrator Kathleen Collins, Administrative Aide Bill Delaney, Executive Director of New Town Success Zone Mia Hobdy, Executive Council Assistant Jessica Denson, Executive Council Assistant Brooks Dame,

Meeting Convened: 3:01 p.m.

Council Member Jimmy Peluso welcomed the audience and thanked Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray for her presence. Council Member Peluso expressed his intent for the monies to be spent for a mutually agreeable purpose. Council Member Clark-Murray agreed. She directed the conversation to New Town Success Park at W 3rd Street, Jacksonville, FL 32209. Executive Director of New Town Success Zone, Mia Hobdy shared a handout which provided pictures of the park features in disrepair. Director Hobdy spoke on her vision for the community. She shared she had access to funding that may be able to compliment the City's contribution. She committed to notifying the Council Members when she knew all the details.

The Council Members briefly discussed the ownership of the park and maintenance agreements. They agreed on the need to determine the existence of a Joint Use Agreement (JUA) between the City of Jacksonville and Edward Waters University (Edward Waters College Inc.) who owned the land.

Council Auditor Phillip Peterson clarified the actions of the Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety Committee at the meeting September 18, 2023. The Committee removed \$162,0000 which was allocated to the Council District 9 Parks activity in 2023-564. It will remain in its original account, without the Council District designation.

The Council Members agreed to determine if there was a JUA, and to make a floor amendment at City Council to allocate this funding to the New Town Success Park. If there is no JUA, to work with the Department of Parks and Recreation to develop one and introduce future legislation to allocate the funding.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:30 p.m.



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