

**City of Jacksonville**  
**Office of the City Council**

*117 W. Duval Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32202*



**Noticed Meeting Minutes**

Friday, May 17, 2024

1:00 pm

**Council Resolution Presentation for  
Teacher of the Year**

Terry Parker Highschool  
7301 Parker School Road  
Jacksonville, FL 32211

*Council Member present*

*The Hon. Rahman K. Johnson, Ph.D. – District 14*

*The Hon. Ken Amaro – District 1*

**Meeting Convened:** 1:00 pm      **Meeting Adjourned:** 1:30 pm

**Members in Attendance:** CM Johnson

Also, in attendance were:

Andrew Powers - ECA CM Johnson

Donna Deegan – Mayor Of Jacksonville

CM Ken Amaro – City Council District 1

Robert Hudson – Principal, Terry Parker High School

## **PURPOSE**

To honor Gustavo Guzman, the 2024 VyStar Duval County EDDY Teacher of the Year, with a City Council Resolution recognizing his achievements in education and his contributions to the Jacksonville community.

## **INTRODUCTION**

Mayor Donna Deegan and City Council Members Rahman Johnson and Ken Amaro gathered to present a City Council Resolution at Terry Parker High School, commending Gustavo Guzman for his exemplary service in education and his designation as the 2024 Teacher of the Year.

## **DISCUSSION**

Gustavo Guzman, a biology teacher at Terry Parker High School, was honored for his contributions to education, which resulted in a 22% increase in student test scores last year. Guzman's impact extends beyond academics, as he mentors young men through the 5000 Role Models of Excellence program and volunteers with Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. He holds degrees from Edward Waters University, including a recent Master's in Education Policy and Advocacy. Council Member Johnson expressed pride in Guzman's accomplishments, highlighting his example of public education's value. As Teacher of the Year, Guzman will receive a cash prize, classroom grant, and serve on the Jacksonville Public Education Fund Board, with consideration for Florida Teacher of the Year to follow in July.

## **CLOSING REMARKS**

Council Member Johnson, Amaro and Mayor Deegan closed by commending Guzman for his dedication and impact. They expressed confidence in his continued success and contributions to Jacksonville's educational community. The meeting concluded with a formal presentation of the City Council Resolution to Mr. Guzman.

With no further business, Councilmember Johnson Adjourned the Meeting at 1:30pm.

Minutes: Andrew Powers , ECA District 14

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