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*Theresa Cass Galvin (6th) Chair, Dan Tarwater III (4th) Vice Chair,
Jalen Anderson (1st AL), Crystal Williams (2nd AL), Tony Miller (3rd AL),
Scott Burnett (1st), Ronald E. Finley (2nd), Charlie Franklin (3rd),
Jeanie Lauer (5th)*

Jackson County Courthouse
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Monday, November 9, 2020

10:00 AM

Forty-third Regular Meeting

K.C. Legislative Assembly Area, Kansas City, Missouri

Theresa Cass Galvin, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Scott Burnett to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on November 02, 2020. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator, said he was happy to see Jalen Anderson, County Legislator, in attendance. The members of the Legislature agreed and expressed their good wishes to Mr. Anderson.

Troy Schulte, County Administrator, distributed a spreadsheet with the status of the CARES Act funding distribution as of today. Mr. Schulte's handout is available as an attachment under Meeting Details for the November 9, 2020 Legislative meeting, located at <https://jacksonco.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=814878&GUID=039E0F52-AD57-4F88-8F5C-06EED53EC883&Options=info%7Cnotes%7C&>

Mr. Schulte said the County has received \$122,669,998.00 in federal CARES Act funds. The spreadsheet lists the ordinances and resolutions that have been adopted by the Legislature and lists the allocation and remaining funds for each program. There will be an additional request

coming for computers for the Counselor's Office and the Prosecuting Attorney's Office and a request for additional testing at the jail. With these figures calculated in, Mr. Schulte said the County has allocated \$96,869,259.00, leaving a balance of \$25,800,739.00. He said he deducted the allocation for a new Health Department facility and \$10,000,000 in reserve. He is hopeful that the federal government will extend its December 31, 2020 deadline to allow expenditures for contact tracing and testing to continue into 2021. Uncommitted funds at this time are \$8,800,739.00 in unspent and uncommitted dollars. As of now this amount would have to be expended by December 31, 2020. At this point the County needs to come up with a plan to spend this remaining amount.

Mr. Schulte said there has been a ruling that the Sheriff's Office, Corrections Department, and Medical Examiner associates are classified as first responders and CARES Act funds could be used to support these salaries. This may be used for budget relief for the County.

Ronald E. Finley asked for clarification on which departments are classified as priority first responders. Mr. Schulte said these departments are the Sheriff's Office, Corrections, and Medical Examiner. Our costs for these salaries since March 1 are greater than the \$8.8 million available. Mr. Finley asked about the restrictions in the CARES Act funds. Mr. Schulte said the one restriction they have to be careful about is using CARES Act funds for capital improvements unless they can be spent by the end of the year.

Mr. Finley asked about other entities and cities that have not yet committed all of their allocation. Mr. Schulte said there is one city that still needs its contract executed and there are a few school districts that have not submitted a budget. Truman Medical Center has not spent all of its allocation. Mr. Finley asked about the possibility of making a formal request for an extension and he believes there is support for that from the congressional delegation.

Jeanie Lauer, County Legislator, said she had a constituent reach out to her office because they were unable to get a COVID test over the weekend. She asked about the testing process and if tests are available seven days a week.

Mr. Schulte said at present Truman Medical Center offers testing five days a week. He said they will check on potentially adding a sixth day of testing.

Jalen Anderson asked about the County's ability to provide personal

protective equipment (PPE) to small businesses that are struggling. These mom and pop businesses have used much of their revenue to provide masks and PPE for their employees to stay open. Theresa Cass Galvin, Chairman, said this will be a conversation to have with Troy Schulte and they will see if this can be implemented.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

None.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[5440](#)

AN ORDINANCE repealing section 9303., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the Anti-Crime Sales Tax, and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new section relating to the same subject.

(Anti-Crime Committee - 1st. Perfection)

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[20546](#)

Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20547](#)

Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20548](#)

Legislature As A Whole moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

Theresa Cass Galvin said this request was submitted without supporting estimates in the back up. Mary Marquez, Court Administrator, said she is happy to distribute the supporting documentation to the Legislature. Ms. Galvin asked about the estimates and if they are current. Ms. Marquez said the estimates were from the past few months. Mr. Schulte said this action needs to be passed before the end of the fiscal year. Ms. Marquez said some of the estimates were obtained in conjunction with the County's IT department and others were estimates they requested from vendors. Jim Boeschen, Court IT Director, said these estimates are solid and they are confident in the figures. Ms. Galvin asked for the estimates to be submitted to the Clerk's Office to be attached as back up to Resolution #20548.

[20549](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Charlie Franklin, to approve the Floor Substitute for Resolution #20549 dated November 9, 2020. The motion passed by a voice vote. Consent Agenda.

(APPROVED)

Deloris Wells, Deputy Director of Corrections, said the department started this process several months ago. When it came to their attention that the bids were out of date, they requested updates and determined that the cost of many of these items was lower. Tony Miller, County Legislator, asked about the status of attorney/client visits. Sgt. Danny Barnes said there are over 300 video conference visits each week. About 75 of these are court appearances and the system is also used for mental health evaluations. Mr. Miller asked about the security of the attorney/client relationship. Sgt. Barnes said the department shares this concern. These funds would provide iPad devices that are small and portable to be used in private spaces. Diana Turner, Director of Corrections, said they were still conducting in person visits between attorneys and inmates.

Ronald E. Finley asked how these bids relate to the CARES Act Funds. Sgt. Barnes said these devices reduce the exposure of inmates to people outside the facility. He said they are asking for additional devices to reduce the inmates' wait to use a device. Jay Haden, Deputy County Counselor, said the CARES Act encourages remote communications and includes examples of specifically this type of use.

[20550](#)

Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20551](#)

Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[20552](#)

A RESOLUTION transferring \$732,315.00 within the 2020 County Improvement Fund and awarding a contract for the furnishing of consulting services relating to a comprehensive facility assessment for the Downtown Courthouse to SFS Architecture of Kansas City, Missouri, under the terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 13-20, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$732,315.00.

(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Meeting)

Barbara Casamento, Purchasing Administrator, and Brian Gaddie, Director of Public Works, addressed Resolution #20552. Ms. Casamento said the bidder is in compliance. She said there were no goals set on this matter, but the vendor has many women-owned and minority-owned businesses that they will work with. Mr. Gaddie introduced the team from SFS Architecture, Marsha Hoffman, Principal, and Dan Gould the lead architect on this project. Mr. Gaddie said the Department of Public Works has informed both the Administration and the Legislature of the impending needs of the Downtown Courthouse facility over the past several years. The life cycle of the building's major systems was not deemed a priority and therefore these systems have been allowed to degrade to the point of rehabilitation and ultimately, major investment. Public Works has been in the process of identifying major rehabilitation needs. The flood in January

2019 exacerbated the point that a sustainable replacement and rehabilitation program would be imperative. Mr. Gaddie said it is advised that a facility condition assessment be completed to properly restore and maintain the Courthouse. Mr. Gaddie said a selection and evaluation committee was made up of members of Facility Management, the 16th Circuit Court and the County Auditor's office to review the proposals. The evaluation committee selected SFS Architecture as the preferred service provider. Contract negotiations began and the total value of the contract is not to exceed \$732,315.00. Mr. Gaddie continued that SFS has provided a preliminary schedule that will be addressed upon execution of the contract. The project should not exceed six months.

Jeanie Lauer asked about the need for an additional facility assessment when the County has already spent a lot of funds on repairs and assessments as a result of the 2019 flood. Mr. Gaddie said a complete assessment has not been previously conducted. What was previously completed was specifically related to the flooded systems. They need the input of a third-party expert to properly evaluate all aspects of the building's needs. The Courthouse was constructed in 1932 and completed in 1934. Mr. Gaddie said the facilities management division has changed its perspective from a reactive to proactive philosophy.

Ronald E. Finley asked about the goals that were set on the project. Jaime Guillen, Chief Compliance Review Officer, said at times it is necessary to find eligible firms before setting goals. Mr. Finley asked for a report on what minority and women-owned firms would be used. Ms. Casamento said she would get these reports distributed.

Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, asked to hear from the SFS Architecture team. Marsha Hoffman said that being proactive on our facilities assessment helps to plan and budget in ways that will save money in the long term. This project can assist in improving work flow. The County also has the advantage of having empty floors from the old jail that could be utilized.

[20553](#)

Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[20546](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract for the furnishing of parking lot snow removal services for use by the Public Works Department to Martin Underground Construction of Lee's Summit, MO, under the terms and conditions set forth in the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri Contract No. 2020-016/1R, an existing government contract.
(ADOPTED)

[20547](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with three twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of Lenel security equipment and repair services for use within County buildings to Kenton Brothers, Inc., of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 42-20.
(ADOPTED)

[20548](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$302,000.00 within the 2020 County Improvement Fund to provide for the relocation the 16th Circuit Court server farm from its current location to the LightEdge underground facility, consolidating all of the Court's and County Information Technology Department's servers at a single location.
(ADOPTED)

[20549](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$83,814.00 within the 2020 CARES Act Fund to fund the acquisition of video conferencing equipment, software, and maintenance for use by the Sheriff's Office and Department of Corrections, to provide for greater social distancing for inmates during professional visits and court appearances, in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.
(ADOPTED)

[20550](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a thirty-six month term and supply contract with two twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of wide-area network services for use by the Information Technology Department to Unite Private Networks of Kansas City, Missouri, under the terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 32-20.
(ADOPTED)

[20551](#) A RESOLUTION declaring certain vehicles and equipment items within various County departments as surplus and unusable personal property and authorizing their disposal.
(ADOPTED)

[20552](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$732,315.00 within the 2020 County Improvement Fund and awarding a contract for the furnishing of consulting services relating to a comprehensive facility assessment for the Downtown Courthouse to SFS Architecture of Kansas City, Missouri, under the terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 13-20, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$732,315.00.

(ADOPTED)

[20553](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute agreements with certain organizations to provide services in connection with the 2020 Christmas in the Park event, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$44,000.00.

(ADOPTED)

Resolutions #20546, #20547, #20548, #20549, #20550, #20551, #20552 and #20553 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Ronald E. Finley, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 1 - Jalen Anderson

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[5441](#) A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Dan Tarwater III to perfect Ordinance #5441. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5441](#) A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Charlie Franklin, to adopt Ordinance #5441, appropriating \$74,247.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 Grant Fund in acceptance of additional funds awarded to the Family Court Division by the Missouri Department of Public Safety for the Jackson County Disproportionate Minority Contact Coordinator grant. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 1 - Jalen Anderson

(ADOPTED)

[5442](#)

A motion was made by Crystal Williams, seconded by Dan Tarwater III to perfect Ordinance #5442. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5442](#)

A motion was made by Crystal Williams, seconded by Dan Tarwater III, to adopt Ordinance #5442, appropriating \$9,605.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 Health Fund, representing a payment received from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services for completed childcare inspections. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 1 - Jalen Anderson

(ADOPTED)

[5443](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams to perfect Ordinance #5443. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5443](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams, to adopt Ordinance #5443, appropriating \$202,955.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 CARES Act Fund to upgrade the legislative chambers and other conference rooms in the Downtown Courthouse to improve remote communications and video conferencing capabilities in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

No: 1 - Ronald E. Finley

Absent: 1 - Jalen Anderson

(ADOPTED)

[5444](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Charlie Franklin to perfect Ordinance #5444. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5444](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Ordinance #5444, appropriating \$24,764.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 CARES Act Fund to reimburse the Parks + Rec Department for costs expended to acquire supplies and equipment for patrons and associates necessary in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 1 - Jalen Anderson

(ADOPTED)

[5445](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Charlie Franklin to perfect Ordinance #5445. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5445](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Charlie Franklin, to adopt Ordinance #5445, appropriating \$100,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2020 CARES Act Fund to reimburse the County Executive's Office, Facilities Management/Department of Public Works, and Communications Department, for monies expended to acquire personal protective equipment, signage, and cleaning equipment, in connection with the fight against the ongoing Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 1 - Jalen Anderson

(ADOPTED)

[5446](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller to perfect Ordinance #5446. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5446](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Ordinance #5446, temporarily reducing certain permit and inspection fees imposed pursuant to chapter 40, Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to food safety and environmental health. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 1 - Jalen Anderson

(ADOPTED)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[20555](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adopt Resolution #20555, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, November 9, 2020, for the purpose of conducting confidential communications under section 610.021(17) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri and closing all records prepared for discussion at said meeting. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III, Jeanie Lauer and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 2 - Jalen Anderson and Charlie Franklin

(ADOPTED)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams to adopt Resolution #20556. Discussion.

Theresa Cass Galvin said that she knows of no one that works harder than Crissy Wooderson. She said Crissy is an asset not just to the Legislature but to the County as a whole.

Ronald E. Finley said he has some questions he would like to discuss with Ms. Wooderson before moving forward with this resolution.

Dan Tarwater III withdrew his motion to adopt.

[20556](#)

Reappointing Crissy Wooderson as Legislative Auditor for a term ending December 31, 2024.

(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)

[20557](#)

Transferring \$20,000.00 within the 2020 General Fund to cover remaining financial obligations of the Jackson County Sheriff's Office through the end of 2020.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jeanie Lauer expressed her appreciation to everyone who supported the 911 measure that was passed by Jackson County voters on November 3, 2020. She believes adoption of the 911 bill will save lives. She said she particularly appreciates all of the community and civic organizations that have been working for many years to get this measure passed.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Closed meeting per Resolution #20555.

The County Legislature recessed. The County Legislature reconvened.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Tony Miller, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, November 16, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.