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*DaRon McGee (4th) Chairman,
Megan L. Marshall (3rd AL) Vice Chairman,
Jalen Anderson (1st AL), Donna Peyton (2nd AL),
Manuel Abarca IV (1st), Venessa Huskey (2nd), Charlie Franklin (3rd),
Jeanie Lauer (5th), Sean E. Smith (6th)*

Monday, June 12, 2023

3:00 PM

Twenty-third Regular Meeting

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

DaRon McGee, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 9 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Manuel Abarca IV to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on June 05, 2023. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

Resolution #21307 was adopted at this time. See page 7 for details.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

No report from the County Executive.

Sean E. Smith, County Legislator, asked the County Executive's staff about the status of notices to taxpayers regarding their reassessment and property values. Many taxpayers have expressed concerns about not yet receiving their values and whether they will have adequate time to appeal. Maureen Monaghan, Deputy Director of Assessment, said the Assessment Department is having technical issues with out of date technology timing out. Staff are getting values loaded as soon as possible. The department has printed and sent out notices in house. The department has until June 15, 2023, to get those value to taxpayers. Taxpayers have until July 10, 2023, to appeal to the Board of Equalization.

Jeanie Lauer, County Legislator, said she understands values are supposed to be online, but that system has not worked consistently. Ms. Monaghan said the values are in the parcel viewer, but that system is getting hit hard and is having performance issues. They are working with Information Technology to improve performance issues. Sean E. Smith asked if taxpayers could get their value by filing an appeal and reserving a spot. Ms. Monaghan said they can do that and may schedule a zoom meeting or an in person appeal at the 1300 Washington office. Ms. Monaghan said there are about 4,000 properties remaining to have values reviewed. Jalen Anderson, County Legislator, said if the County does not meet the June 15 deadline, will the values revert to the previous amount. Ms. Monaghan said the values will not reverse back to previous values. Taxpayers have the option to file a State Tax Commission appeal until December 31, 2023. The notices are in the mail and most homeowners should receive them by the June 15, 2023, deadline. If a taxpayer appeals, their appeal will be heard.

Manuel Abarca IV, County Legislator, asked for improved communications as well as data related to the high and low percentage increase by zip code. Ms. Monaghan said there are some properties losing value and properties with new construction with a large percentage change. Sean E. Smith said the tax levy rates are restricted by the Hancock Amendment. So, even if a property value doubles, that does not mean the taxes will double, Ms. Monaghan said that is correct. Hancock limits increases to five percent. Staff are working 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Megan L. Marshall, County Legislator, asked for data showing what areas of the County are experiencing the greatest impact in value increase. Ms. Monaghan said she would consult with the GIS department for that data.

6 PERFECTON OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[5740](#) Budget Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Sean Smith to waive the reading of Ordinance #5746. The motion passed by a voice vote.

[5746](#) A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Donna Peyton, to approve the Floor Substitute dated June 12, 2023 for Ordinance #5746. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

[5746](#) A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Donna Peyton to perfect Ordinance #5746. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5746](#)

A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Donna Peyton, to adopt the Floor Substitute dated June 12, 2023 for Ordinance #5746, appropriating \$5,000,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 American Rescue Plan Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with the University of Missouri - Kansas City (UMKC) for the purpose of continuing the Our Healthy Eastside - KC/Jackson County program for COVID-19 vaccination and minority health outreach for the calendar years 2023 and 2024, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$5,000,000.00. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 9 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

(ADOPTED)

[5748](#)

Finance and Audit Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.

[5749](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$400,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 County Improvement Fund for the purpose of providing additional project management services for the ongoing Workday implementation project.

(Budget Committee - 1st. Perfection)

[5750](#)

Budget Committee moved to perfect.

Jalen Anderson objected to the Consent Agenda.

[5750](#)

A motion was made by Megan L. Marshall, seconded by Manuel Abarca IV to perfect Ordinance #5750. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[5750](#)

A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Megan L. Marshall, to adopt Ordinance #5750, repealing schedule I to chapter 2, Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to County associates not within the Merit System, and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new schedule relating to the same subject.. The motion failed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV and Venessa Huskey

No: 4 - Jalen Anderson, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

(DEFEATED)

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[21275](#)

Legislature As A Whole moved to adopt.

Manuel Abarca IV objected to the Consent Agenda.

[21275](#)

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Jeanie Lauer, to adopt Resolution #21275, declaring certain County-owned vehicles as surplus property and authorizing their disposal pursuant to chapter 11 of the Jackson County Code. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

No: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

(ADOPTED)

[21285](#)

A RESOLUTION awarding a contract for the furnishing of ten full-size SUVs for use by the Sheriff's Office to Reed Motors STJ, LLC, dba Reed Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram of Saint Joseph, MO, under the terms and conditions of State of Missouri Contract No. CC222374007, an existing competitively bid government contract, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$401,880.00.

(Legislature As A Whole - 1st Meeting)

[21287](#)

Budget Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21288](#)

Budget Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21289](#)

A RESOLUTION nominating candidates for appointment to the Jackson County Sports Complex Authority, for a term to expire July 15, 2028.

(Legislature As A Whole - 2nd Meeting)

DaRon McGee said 6 applications have been received. The County Legislature will interview the applicants, vote and then send 3 names to the Governor for his review.

[21293](#)

Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21295](#)

Justice and Law Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21296](#)

Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21302](#)

Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[5740](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$3,500,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 American Rescue Plan Fund to support the COVID-19 recovery efforts of the Jackson County Health Department and supporting public health infrastructure for the 2023 fiscal year.

(PERFECTED)

[5748](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$32,454.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 Anti-Crime Sales Tax Fund in acceptance of grant funds and awarding a contract for the furnishing of mobile forensic equipment and software to Grayshift, LLC, of Atlanta, GA, as a sole source purchase.

(PERFECTED)

[21287](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$36,575.00 within the 2023 Grant Fund to cover the purchase of a vehicle for use by the Family Court Division, under the division's existing Juvenile Court Diversion Grant.

(ADOPTED)

[21288](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$52,764.00 within the 2023 Park Fund and awarding a contract for the furnishing of a compact excavator for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Clark Equipment of West Fargo, ND, under the terms and conditions of Sourcewell Contract 040319-CEC, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$52,764.00.

(ADOPTED)

[21293](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract for the furnishing of a single-axle dump truck with snow removal equipment package for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Viking-Cives Midwest of Morley, MO under the terms and conditions of Sourcewell Contract No. 080818-VCM, an existing, competitively bid government contract, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$197,134.00.

(ADOPTED)

[21295](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of maintenance of kitchen equipment for use by the Detention Center to US Engineering Service, LLC, of Kansas City, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 23-023.

(ADOPTED)

[21296](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twenty-four-month term and supply contract, with one twelve-month option to extend, for the furnishing of plumbing services for use by various County departments, to US Engineering Service, LLC, of Kansas City, MO, and Emcor Services Fagan of Kansas City, KS, under the terms and conditions of Request for Qualifications No. 23-010.
(ADOPTED)

[21302](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract for the replacement of roofs on park structures for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Tailor Made Exteriors of Lee's Summit, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 23-029, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$156,697.00.
(ADOPTED)

Ordinances #5740 and #5748 were moved to the Consent Agenda for perfection. Resolutions #21287, #21288, #21293, #21295, #21296, and #21302 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Sean E. Smith, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 9 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[5751](#) Repealing sections 4510., 4525., 4531., 4532., 4538., 4541., 4542., 4546., and 4547., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to animal control and enacting, in lieu thereof, nine new sections relating to the same subject, with a penalty provision.
(Assigned to the Health and Environment Committee.)

Resolution #21310 was introduced at this time and assigned to the Budget Committee. See page 7 for details.

[5752](#) Expressing the intent of the Legislature that the County award contracts for the removal and storage of the Andrew Jackson statues on the grounds of the Downtown and Historic Truman Courthouses and for site repairs of any damages occasioned by the removal.
(WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR MANUEL ABARCA IV. CONCURRED BY SEAN SMITH AND MEGAN MARSHALL.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[21304](#) Authorizing the Sheriff to execute a contract for services with the Family Court Division of the 16th Circuit Court of Missouri to provide deputies to assist with the Family Court's Connections supervised visitation program.
(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

[21305](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute a Participation Agreement with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services relating to its summer food service program, with costs to be reimbursed to the County.
(Assigned to the Health and Environment Committee.)

[21306](#) A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Jeanie Lauer, to adopt Resolution #21306, honoring the life and achievements of Norma Hunt. The motion passed by a roll call vote:
Yes: 9 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

(ADOPTED)

[21307](#) A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Megan L. Marshall, to adopt Resolution #21307, congratulating Yoli Tortilleria on its winning the James Beard Award for Outstanding Bakery. The motion passed by a roll call vote:
Yes: 8 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

Absent: 1 - Venessa Huskey

(ADOPTED)

[21308](#) Awarding a contract for the furnishing of three passenger vehicles for use by the Drug Task Force to Lou Fusz Motor Company of St. Louis, MO, under the terms and conditions of State of Missouri Contract No. CC222374009, an existing competitively bid government contract, at an actual cost to the County in the total amount of \$147,222.00.
(Assigned to the Anti-Crime Committee.)

[21309](#) Transferring \$540,000.00 within the 2023 General Fund and \$2,837,000.00 within the 2023 Health Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute Cooperative Agreements with certain outside agencies that provide public health-related and other public services to citizens of Jackson County, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$3,377,000.00.
(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[21310](#) Expressing the intent of the Legislature that the County award contracts for the removal and storage of the Andrew Jackson statues on the grounds of the Downtown and Historic Truman Courthouses and for site repairs of any damages occasioned by the removal.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[21311](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute Cooperative Agreements with Swope Health Services to provide public health-related services to citizens of Jackson County, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$163,000.00.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

[23-13](#) Pursuant to section 706.1, Jackson County Code, 1984, I hereby promulgate the following amendment to Rule 8 of the Jackson County Personnel Rules for Jackson County associates. This amendment shall be effective immediately.

Rule 8 is amended to and add a new subsection 8.9, to reads as follows:

Section 8.9 Bilingual Services Stipend.

A. An Appointing Authority may pay an employee Bilingual Services Stipend if the following conditions have been met:

1. The employee's Appointing Authority has determined that the employee's position requires that the employee use bilingual skills regularly to perform the employee's work; and
2. The employee demonstrates proficiency in the second language, according to standards established by the Director of Human Resources.

B. When an employee changes positions and bilingual skills are not a requirement of the new position, or the employee no longer uses bilingual skills regularly, the Bilingual Services Stipend shall cease.

C. The stipend amount shall be the same for all employees. The stipend amount shall be determined annually by the Director of Human Resources as part of the County's annual budget process and shall not be less than \$2.00 per hour.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

14 NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Donna Peyton, seconded by Manuel Abarca IV to add a regular legislative meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 11 a.m. and to cancel the legislative meetings scheduled to be held on Tuesday, June 20 and Monday, July 3, 2023. The motion passed by a roll call vote:
Yes: 9 - DaRon McGee, Megan Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean Smith
(APPROVED)

Sheriff Darryl Forté requested the Legislature be aware of questions asked during public hearings to ensure criminal investigations are not jeopardized by exposing too much information about the department's practices.

Charlie Franklin, County Legislator, announced there will be a public hearing on several zoning ordinances on June 26, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

Jeanie Lauer announced that a human trafficking event geared toward firefighters and EMS workers is planned for the fall.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Megan L. Marshall, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 11:00 A.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.