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County Legislature

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Scott Burnett (1st) Chairman, Theresa Garza Ruiz, (1st AL) Vice Chairman,
Crystal Williams (2nd AL), Fred Arbanas (3rd AL),
James D. Tindall (2nd), Dennis Waits (3rd), Dan Tarwater (4th), Greg Grounds (5th)
Bob Spence (6th)

Monday, February 24, 2014

2:30 PM

Eighth Regular Meeting

Eastern Jackson County Courthouse, 308 W. Kansas, Ground Floor, Legislative Chambers

Theresa Garza Ruiz, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence
Excused 1 - Scott Burnett

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater, seconded by Dennis Waits, to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on February 17, 2014. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Jackson County Executive Mike Sanders announced that the county has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Union Pacific Railroad that gives Jackson County the exclusive right to purchase key transit corridors which have the potential to be used for expanded public transit options in the future.

The MOU gives the county the right to acquire 15 ½ miles of the Rock Island corridor, which runs past the Truman Sports Complex and through Raytown and Lee's Summit as well as an additional 3 ½ miles of right of way near downtown Independence, which is commonly known as the Pixley Spur. The Rock Island corridor provides the primary connection for Kansas City to the Missouri KATY Trail State Park.

Additionally, Jackson County also gains access to Union Pacific's "Independence Power and Light" spur, which 1.9 miles in length and runs between the Lake City Ammunition Plant and 23rd and Truman Road in Independence.

"This agreement helps make commuter rail in Jackson County a real possibility and will allow us to assess all possible transit options along these corridors so that we can make the best decision for the future of our region," said County Executive Sanders. "None of this would be possible without the partnership of the Union Pacific Railroad and its CEO Jack Koraleski".

The MOU between Jackson County and Union Pacific does not represent a purchase of these corridors, only an option to purchase. The county has not yet made a financial commitment in regards to any of the corridors set forth in the agreement. The county will work with the local congressional delegation to access possible grant opportunities.

County officials will now work with Union Pacific Railroad as well as a partnership team, including the Mid-America Regional Council and cities along these corridors to assess all transit options along these rights-of-way, including commuter rail and expanded county trails.

Steven A. Schnell, On-Site Wastewater Specialist, received Employee of the Month Award for March 2013 and Employee of the Year Award for 2013.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[4601](#) Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

Fred Arbanas objects to the consent agenda.

[4601](#) A motion was made by Fred Arbanas, seconded by Bob Spence to perfect Ordinance #4601. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

[4601](#) A motion was made by Fred Arbanas, seconded by Bob Spence to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4601. The motion passed by a voice vote.
(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.

[4602](#) Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

Fred Arbanas objects to the consent agenda.

[4602](#) A motion was made by Fred Arbanas, seconded by Bob Spence to perfect Ordinance #4602. The motion passed by a voice vote.
(PERFECTED)

[4602](#) A motion was made by Fred Arbanas, seconded by Bob Spence to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4602. The motion passed by a voice vote.
(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.

[4603](#) Land Use Committee moved to perfect.

Fred Arbanas objects to the consent agenda.

[4603](#) A motion was made by Fred Arbanas, seconded by Bob Spence to perfect Ordinance #4603. The motion passed by a voice vote.
(PERFECTED)

[4603](#) A motion was made by Fred Arbanas, seconded by Bob Spence to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4603. The motion passed by a voice vote.
(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.

[4606](#) Anti-Drug Committee moved to perfect.

Dan Tarwater objects to the consent agenda.

[4606](#) A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams to perfect Ordinance #4606. The motion passed by a voice vote.
(PERFECTED)

[4606](#) A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Crystal Williams to suspend the rules to consider final passage of Ordinance #4606. The motion passed by a voice vote.
(APPROVED)

Consent Agenda. See Final Passage of Proposed Ordinances.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

[4601](#) Consent Agenda.

[4602](#) Consent Agenda.

[4603](#) Consent Agenda.

[4606](#) Consent Agenda.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater, seconded by Crystal Williams, to reconsider Resolution #18402.

[18402](#) A motion was made by Dan Tarwater, seconded by Dennis Waits to amend Resolution #18402, to insert the Agency "Kansas City Care Clinic" and the amount "\$20,000.00" after the Agency "Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council" on Exhibit A on page four. The motion passed by a voice vote.

[18402](#) A motion was made by Dan Tarwater, seconded by Crystal Williams to adopt the Floor Amendment of February 24, 2014, authorizing the County Executive to execute agreements with certain outside agencies funded by the County's Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund for the 2014 fiscal year, which are engaged in anti-drug and anti-violent crime prevention activities and purposes, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$1,276,591.00. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

Excused: 1 - Scott Burnett

(ADOPTED)

[18406](#) A RESOLUTION opposing the legalization of marijuana for recreational or medical purposes.
(Anti-Drug Committee - 1st. Meeting)

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[4601](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by changing a certain 3.19 ± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates).

(ADOPTED)

[4602](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by changing a certain 9.38 ± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates).
(ADOPTED)

[4603](#) AN ORDINANCE vacating a portion of an unimproved right-of-way within the subdivision "Blue Skyline Acres."
(ADOPTED)

[4606](#) AN ORDINANCE repealing schedule II to chapter 2, Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the salaries of certain County employees not within the Merit System, and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new schedule relating to the same subject.
(ADOPTED)

Ordinances #4601, #4602, #4603 and #4606 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater, seconded by Dennis Waits, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence

Excused: 1 - Scott Burnett

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[4607](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$5,000.00 from the fund balance of the 2014 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement in acceptance of funding provided by the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force for use by the Jackson County Drug Task Force for Operation Ice Fall.
(Assigned to the Anti-Drug Committee.)

[4608](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$3,000.00 from the fund balance of the 2014 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund and authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement in acceptance of funding provided by the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force for use by the Jackson County Drug Task Force for Operation Snake Oil.
(Assigned to the Anti-Drug Committee.)

[4609](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$200,000.00 from unappropriated fund balance of the 2014 Grant Fund in acceptance of funds received from the Mid-America Regional Council's (MARC) Port Security Grant Program and authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with MARC for the design and construction of a marine storage and deployment facility.
(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[18409](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) Solid Waste Management District, to provide access to the Regional Household Hazardous Waste Centers for the residents of the unincorporated county, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$23,244.00.
(Assigned to the Health and Environment Committee.)

[18410](#) A motion was made by Bob Spence, seconded by Fred Arbanas, to adopt Resolution #18410, authorizing the County Executive to execute an intergovernmental cooperative agreement with the City of Independence for the use of certain county property for civic events, at no cost to the County. The motion passed by a roll call vote:
Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence
Excused: 1 - Scott Burnett

(ADOPTED)

[18411](#) Transferring \$30,842.00 within the 2014 General Fund to cover cost overruns of the November 5, 2013 election incurred by the Kansas City Election Board.
(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

[18412](#) A motion was made by Dan Tarwater, seconded by Crystal Williams, to adopt Resolution #18412, transferring \$50,000.00 within the 2014 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund for the Jackson County Family Court's anti-violent crime initiative. The motion passed by a roll call vote:
Yes: 8 - Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds and Bob Spence
Excused: 1 - Scott Burnett

(ADOPTED)

[18413](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute cooperative agreements with certain municipalities within Jackson County for the purpose of funding their 2014 Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) programs, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$916,100.00.

(Assigned to the Anti-Drug Committee.)

[18414](#) Transferring \$45,000.00 within the 2014 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund to cover funding for the Sheriff's Office's 2014 Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program.

(Assigned to the Anti-Drug Committee.)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

[14-04](#) I hereby reappoint Diane Burnette to the Land Trust of Jackson County, Missouri, for a term to expire on February 1, 2018.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolution #18402 was reconsidered, amended and adopted at this time. See details under the heading RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.

14 NEW BUSINESS

None.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Greg Grounds, seconded by Dan Tarwater, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, March 3, 2014 at 2:30 P.M. in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.