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# Jackson County Missouri

## JOURNAL

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### County Legislature

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

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**Monday, July 21, 2025**

**3:00 PM**

**Thirtieth Regular Meeting**

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

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

**1 ROLL CALL**

Present 8 - DaRon McGee, Donna Peyton, Jalen Anderson, Megan L. Smith,  
Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith  
Absent 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

**2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Recited.

**3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Donna Peyton, to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on July 18, 2025. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**4 HEARINGS**

None.

**5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

Frank White Jr., County Executive, was not present.

**6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**

[5904](#)

AN ORDINANCE repealing Section 5577., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to possession of firearms and age restriction, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections, Sections 5577. and 5578., relating to the same subject, with a severability clause and a penalty provision.

*(Legislature As A Whole - 32nd Perfection)*

- [5967](#) AN ORDINANCE repealing subsections 7401.2., 7405.4., and 7406.5., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to protections against retaliation for complaints, cooperating with complaint investigations, and amending the discretionary authority to decline a complaint and enacting, in lieu thereof, three new subsections relating to the same subject.  
*(Legislature As A Whole - 13th Perfection)*
- [5990](#) AN ORDINANCE establishing a commercial property assessment rate cap in Jackson County, Missouri  
*(Legislature As A Whole - 3rd. Perfection)*
- [5995](#) AN ORDINANCE submitting to the qualified voters of Jackson County, Missouri, at a special election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, a question regarding the recall of County Executive Frank White, Jr.  
*(Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee - 1st. Perfection)*
- [5996](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the Jackson County Code to establish fair property tax payment practices and protections during appeals, providing for payment programs, appeal-based payment extensions, and time limits on appeal resolution.  
*(Finance and Audit Committee - 1st. Perfection)*
- [5997](#) AN ORDINANCE establishing financial accountability for elected officials who reject or obstruct certified recall petitions, requiring reimbursement of special election costs if a court determines improper denial of voter certified recall efforts.  
*(Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee - 1st. Perfection)*

**7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

None.

**8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE**

- [21641](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive or the Chairman of the Legislature to sell the County-owned property located at 1300 Washington Street, Kansas City, MO 64105 via the competitive bidding process.  
*(Legislature As A Whole - 51st Meeting)*
- [21766](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$49,500.00 within the 2024 General Fund and authorizing a contract to cover the cost of consultation and proposal services to Colette Holt & Associates Law Firm of San Antonio, TX, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$49,500.00.  
*(Legislature As A Whole - 38th Meeting)*

- [21930](#) A RESOLUTION urging the County Executive to implement a temporary moratorium on foreclosure proceedings and tax lien sales against residential property owners affected by the 2023 Jackson County property reassessment cycle.  
*(Land Use Committee - 7th. Meeting)*
- [21959](#) Budget Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.
- [21960](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with three twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of softball umpire services for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Eastern Jackson County USSSA Umpire Association of Independence, MO, as a sole source purchase.  
*(Budget Committee - 2nd. Meeting)*
- [21961](#) Budget Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.
- [21962](#) Budget Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.
- [21963](#) Budget Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.
- [21964](#) A RESOLUTION urging the County Executive to implement a temporary moratorium on foreclosure proceedings and tax lien sales against residential property owners affected by the 2019-2022 Jackson County property reassessment cycle.  
*(Land Use Committee - 2nd. Meeting)*

## 9 CONSENT AGENDA

- [21959](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a sixty-month term and supply contract, for the furnishing of leased copiers for use by various County departments to Toshiba America Business Solutions, Inc. of Lee's Summit, MO, under the terms and conditions of Omnia Partners Region 4 contract No. R241204, an existing competitively bid government contract.  
(ADOPTED)
- [21961](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twenty-four-month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of trash removal service for use by various County departments to Waste Management of Kansas, Inc., under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid 24-096.  
(ADOPTED)

[21962](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with three twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of electrical supplies for use by various County departments to Graybar Electric Company of St. Louis, MO, under the terms and conditions of the City of Kansas City, Missouri contract No. EV2370, an existing competitively bid government contract.

(ADOPTED)

[21963](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of GIS software maintenance and licenses for use by the Information Technology Department to Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., of Redlands, CA, as a sole source purchase.

(ADOPTED)

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

#### 10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[5994](#) Appropriating \$82,500.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2025 Grant Fund, in acceptance of a grant received from the United States Office of National Drug Control Policy, High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program, for use by the Jackson County Drug Task Force for reimbursement of lease vehicle expenses and the purchase of illegal drugs for use for undercover work.

*(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)*

#### 11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[21966](#) Authorizing the Director of Parks + Rec to execute a Memorandum of Understanding for conservation planning and natural area restoration in the Jackson County Parks system with Bridging the Gap, a non-profit organization, to participate in its Kansas City Wildlands program, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$25,000.00.

*(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)*

[21967](#) Authorizing Jackson County's participation in and adoption of the Regional Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, as presented by the Mid-America Regional Council, in partnership with the local governments of Cass, Clay, Platte and Ray Counties, to fulfill eligibility requirements for the federal hazard mitigation grant program.

*(Assigned to the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee.)*

[21968](#) Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of inmate clothing for use by the Jackson County Detention Center to Bob Barker of Fuquay-Varina, NC, and Victory Supply of Mt. Pleasant, TN, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 25-017.

*(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)*

[21969](#) Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of mattresses, bedding, and linens for use by the Jackson County Detention Center to Bob Barker Co., Inc., of Fuquay-Varina, NC, Victory Supply of Mt. Pleasant, TN, and Charm-Tex of Brooklyn, NY, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 25-018.

*(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)*

[21970](#) Awarding a twenty-four-month term and supply contract, with one twelve-month option to extend, for the furnishing of HVAC parts for use by various County departments to Charles D. Jones Company of North Kansas City, Missouri, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 25-026.

*(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)*

[21971](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute an Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement with the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, for event parking accommodations at no cost to the County.

*(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)*

[21972](#) Awarding a twenty-four month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of office furniture for use by various County departments, to Encompas Corporation, Kansas City Office Design, LLC, K&M Office Products, all of Kansas City, MO, Color Art Integrated Interiors of Kansas City, LLC of Lenexa, KS, and Rangle Distributing of Kansas City, KS, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 24-091.

*(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)*

[21973](#) Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of pavement marking services for use by various County departments to Streetwise, Inc. of Grandview, MO, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid 25-024.

*(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)*

[21974](#) Recognizing Father Paul Turner as the 2025 Catholic Media Association Awards Author of the Year.

*(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)*

[21975](#) Awarding a twenty-four-month term and supply contract, with one twelve-month option to extend, for the furnishing of miscellaneous pipes and plumbing supplies for use by various County departments to Reeves-Wiedeman Company of Kansas City, Missouri, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 24-088.

*(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)*

[21976](#) A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to adopt Resolution #21976, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to execute a limited Legal Services Agreement with Patrick McInerney of the Spencer Fane Law Firm of Kansas City, MO, for representation related to case number 2516-CV21560 and 2516-CV21738 at a cost to the County not to exceed \$60,000.00. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 6 - DaRon McGee, Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

No: 2 - Jalen Anderson and Megan L. Smith

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

(ADOPTED)

Discussion between County Legislator Megan L. Smith and Chairman DaRon McGee regarding the selection of outside counsel needed to represent the Legislature and County Clerk in pending lawsuits filed by the election boards regarding the recall election. Since the County Counselor recused himself from this lawsuit, it was necessary to hire outside counsel.

[21977](#) A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to adopt Resolution #21977, authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with the Independence Chamber of Commerce for use of the County's parking lots and other property located in and around the Independence Square for the upcoming Santa-Cali-Gon Days Festival, at no cost to the County. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

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(ADOPTED)**12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

None.

**13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Legislator Donna Peyton voiced her concern about the Senior Tax Levy Advisory Board. She said she noticed the application process has opened online however, her questions are how will the applications be handled and when will the Advisory Board be in place.

Caleb Clifford, Chief of Staff, said applications are available online and he asked all legislators to encourage interested constituents to apply. There will be an upcoming announcement with a list of community leaders who will be asked to assist in the assessment of the applications and in expediting the process. Then the County Executive will be naming the Board subject to the approval of the County Legislature in a few weeks. He said the application process tentatively closes at the end of August since there is a requirement of geographic location for members of this Board.

**14 NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**15 ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, July 28, 2025 at 3:00 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.