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# Jackson County Missouri

## JOURNAL

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### County Legislature

*Jeanie Lauer (5th) 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), DaRon McGee (4th),  
Sean E. Smith (6th)*

**Monday, May 20, 2024**

**3:00 PM**

**Nineteenth Regular Meeting**

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

Jeanie Lauer, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

**1 ROLL CALL**

Present 8 - Jeanie Lauer, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, DaRon McGee 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 Megan L. Marshall to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on May 15, 2024. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**4 HEARINGS**

Bridgette Shaffer, Director of the Jackson County Health Department, introduced Ray Dlugolecki, Deputy Director of the Jackson County Health Department, to give a report on the Eastern Jackson County Health Assessment. A copy of the Health Department’s report is available under the Meeting Details for the May 20, 2024 Legislative Meeting located at <https://jacksonco.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=1202080&GUID=269CC0C8-F914-44CB-AEEB-DF5574AB7FB6&Options>>

Meredith Rose, President and Chief Executive Officer of Cornerstones of Care, was present and is part of the leadership mental and behavioral team formed to put the health assessment into action. Cornerstones of Care is a 154-year-old behavioral health non-profit organization. She said they serve more than 15,000 children and families throughout the area. This health assessment has been the most extensive data mining, data-collection and

data-dissection in the area. For 12 months this team met to determine how these disparities happen. They determined the cultural impact of these systems and looked at how to disrupt these loops of disparity to fix the system and develop prevention strategies. They have developed and expanded some school-based strategies. They are taking a unique and courageous approach to heal broken systems.

Rob Whitten, Executive Director of the Children's Service Fund, worked with the team to help organizations work together to streamline access to services. This is a transformative process. They are looking at giving voice to the people they serve and helping them access services more effectively.

Mr. Dlugolecki said they hope to achieve a systems mapping, ecosystem assessment that understands the interconnections between people, organizations, ideas, funding and other facts that impact the problem and to develop a portfolio design for healthier regions.

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

Frank White, Jr., County Executive, was not present. Troy Schulte, County Administrator, said there was no report.

DaRon McGee, County Legislator, asked if there was an update on wage issues at the new detention center project. Mr. Schulte said he would make sure that information is distributed by Friday. Mr. McGee asked if the issue of prevailing wage being paid at the fabrication site and the batch plan has been resolved. Mr. Schulte said the batch plant is prevailing wage and the fabrication site is union.

Donna Peyton, County Legislator, asked if there is an update on the American Rescue Plan Funding process. This was requested to be resolved by the end of April. It is now the end of May. Mr. Schulte said he believes there have been some discussions. The Administration has some funding priorities regarding its facilities. Ms. Peyton said she feels disrespected that she has to continually ask questions about the ARPA funds.

Sean E. Smith, County Legislator, said he has some constituents who are on the quad pay system who have penalties and interest posted on their accounts. Mr. Schulte asked him to forward those issues to the Director of Collection. So long as their payments are on time there are no penalties and interest due on quad pay accounts.

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

None.

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**7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

None.

**8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE**[21617](#)

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to approve the Floor Substitute dated May 20, 2024 for Resolution #21617. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(APPROVED)

[21617](#)

A motion was made by Donna Peyton, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to hold Resolution #21617. The motion failed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 3 - Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey and DaRon McGee

No: 5 - Jeanie Lauer, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Charlie Franklin and Sean E. Smith

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

(FAILED)

[21617](#)

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to adopt the Floor Substitute for Resolution #21617, 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 \$3,000,000.00. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Jeanie Lauer, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Charlie Franklin and Sean E. Smith

No: 3 - Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey and DaRon McGee

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

(ADOPTED)

Discussion.

Donna Peyton shared information about Model Cities, an organization started by Dr. Ellis in the 1970s in the basement of Metropolitan Baptist Church. Model Cities is now Swope Health. They became Swope Health because they received funding when they were a new organization. This provides impactful services in our community. The decision was made in the Budget Committee to only fund organizations that received funding in the past. She believes the County is not doing its due diligence and is not operating in good faith. A solution has been offered to apply for ARPA funding, but that is not the solution. The Legislature can do something about this and allow some of the newer organizations to grow.

DaRon McGee asked how many organizations that applied for funding were

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new agencies. Jalen Anderson, County Legislator, said there were 35 agencies that were new organizations that did not receive funding.

[21618](#) Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21619](#) Justice and Law Enforcement Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21620](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$12,000.00 within the 2024 E-911 System Fund and authorizing the Director of Finance and Purchasing to issue a check in the amount of \$43,127.00 for the purchase of a new CAD system and integration to Jackson County's CentralSquare software for use by the Greenwood Police Department.  
*(911 Oversight Committee - 2nd. Meeting)*

[21621](#) Public Works Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21622](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21623](#) Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[21624](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 3 to the Agreement with OWN formerly Anderson Engineering, Inc, of Kansas City, Missouri, to extend the project schedule to account for design delays associated with main water relocation as part of the Stoenner Road Bridge Replacement, Federal Project BRO-B048 (59), at an additional cost to the County not to exceed \$5,038.00.  
  
(WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR JALEN ANDERSON. CONCURRED BY MEGAN L. MARSHALL AND SEAN E. SMITH.)

## 9 CONSENT AGENDA

[21618](#) A RESOLUTION 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.

(ADOPTED)

[21619](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$25,075.00 within the 2024 Grant Fund to cover the purchase of new tablets for use by the Jackson County Detention Center.

(ADOPTED)

[21621](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with one twelve-month option to extend, for the furnishing of parts and repair of dump trucks for use by the Public Works Department to American Equipment of Kansas City, MO, as a sole source purchase.  
(ADOPTED)

[21622](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract for annual maintenance of the Ascend computer software for use by the Collection and Assessment Departments to Aumentum Technologies of Chicago, IL, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$413,631.00, as a sole source purchase.  
(ADOPTED)

[21623](#) A RESOLUTION declaring certain County-owned land as surplus property and authorizing its disposal pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Jackson County Code, 1984.  
(ADOPTED)

Resolutions #21618, #21619, #21621, #21622, and #21623 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

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

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

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

## 10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[5848](#) A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Donna Peyton to perfect Ordinance #5848. The motion passed by a voice vote.  
(PERFECTED)

[5848](#)

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Sean E. Smith, to adopt Ordinance #5848, authorizing the County Executive to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 3 to the Agreement with OWN formerly Anderson Engineering, Inc, of Kansas City, Missouri, to extend the project schedule to account for design delays associated with main water relocation as part of the Stoenner Road Bridge Replacement, Federal Project BRO-B048 (59), at an additional cost to the County not to exceed \$5,038.00. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

(ADOPTED)

[5849](#)

Enacting section 5547., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to petty offense and domestic assault.

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

## 11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[21626](#)

Expressing the intent of the Legislature to direct the Chief Lobbyist to advocate to the Missouri General Assembly in support of the Missouri Nondiscrimination Act in Jackson County.

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

[21627](#)

A motion was made by Megan L. Marshall, seconded by DaRon McGee, to adopt Resolution #21627, urging Congress to close the Act 22 tax loophole to ensure equity and fairness for residents of Puerto Rico. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey and DaRon McGee

Abstain: 3 - Jeanie Lauer, Charlie Franklin and Sean E. Smith

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

(ADOPTED)

[21628](#)

Supporting the inclusion of the Puerto Rico Food Sovereignty Program in the Congressional farm bill.

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

[21629](#)

Declaring certain County-owned boats and equipment as surplus property and authorizing its disposal pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Jackson County Code, 1984.

*(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)*

- [21630](#) Awarding a twenty-four-month term and supply contract, with one twelve-month option to extend, for the furnishing of maintenance and repair services for Bobcat equipment for use by various County departments to KC Bobcat of Blue Springs, MO, as a sole source purchase.  
*(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)*
- [21631](#) Transferring \$28,930.00 within the 2024 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.  
*(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)*
- [21632](#) Expressing the intent of the Legislature to direct the Chief Lobbyist to advocate in support of trans gender rights to the Missouri General Assembly.  
*(Assigned to the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee.)*
- [21633](#) Expressing the intent of the Legislature to direct the Chief Lobbyist to advocate to the Missouri General Assembly in support of maintaining a fair and equitable citizen initiative petition process.  
*(Assigned to the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee.)*
- [21634](#) Expressing the intent of the Legislature to direct the Chief Lobbyist to advocate to the Missouri General Assembly in support of Blair's Law and greater local gun control for Jackson County.  
*(Assigned to the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee.)*
- [21635](#) A motion was made by Megan L. Marshall, seconded by DaRon McGee, to adopt Resolution #21635, recognizing the Carrie Dumas Long Term Care Facility on its 30th Anniversary. The motion passed by a roll call vote:  
Yes: 8 - Jeanie Lauer, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, DaRon McGee and Sean E. Smith  
Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV  
  
(ADOPTED)
- [21636](#) Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with two twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of broker and consulting services for the County's employee group health, life, and dental insurances for use County-wide to CBIZ Benefits of Kansas City, MO, under terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 24-024, at no cost to the County.  
*(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)*

[21637](#)

A motion was made by Megan L. Marshall, seconded by Sean E. Smith, to adopt Resolution #21637, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, May 20, 2024, for the purpose of conducting privileged and confidential communications between itself and the Jackson County Executive under section 610.021(11) 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: 8 - Jeanie Lauer, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, DaRon McGee and Sean E. Smith

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

(ADOPTED)

**12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

None.

**13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**14 NEW BUSINESS**

Jeanie Lauer, County Legislator, said the National Association of Counties conference is scheduled to be held Friday, July 12 through Monday, July 15, which is the date of the legislative meeting. She requested a motion to move the meeting date to Tuesday, July 16, 2024.

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Megan L. Marshall, to reschedule the legislative meeting from July 15 to July 16, 2024. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

Donna Peyton requested written criteria for funding the outside agencies to be used for 2025. Sean E. Smith said he plans to introduce legislation regarding criteria for outside agency funding to be considered by the Rules Committee. He said he will solicit input from all legislators. He would like to focus on smaller, new agencies and how to prioritize.

The Legislature recessed for the closed meeting per Resolution #21637.



**15     ADJOURNMENT**

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

The County Legislature will not meet on Monday, May 27th in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, June 3, 2024 at 3:00 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.