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Manuel Abarca IV (1st), Venessa Huskey (2nd),
Charlie Franklin (3rd), Jeanie Lauer (5th)
Sean E. Smith (6th)*

Monday, December 8, 2025

3:00 PM

Forty-eighth 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, Donna Peyton, Jalen Anderson, Megan L. Smith, 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 Jalen Anderson to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on December 01, 2025. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

The County Legislature had a public hearing regarding Ordinance #6044, to adopt the annual budget and set forth appropriations for the various spending agencies and the principal subdivisions thereof, for the fiscal year ending December 21, 2026 and Ordinance #6045, setting the 2026 Jackson County, Missouri tentative tax levy.

Chairman McGee opened the public hearing.

Stephen Arbo, County Manager/Administrator and Mark Lang, Budget Administrator, testified to the Legislature regarding budget amendments. Discussion was had with legislators Sean E. Smith, Jeanie Lauer, Donna Peyton, Megan Smith, Jalen Anderson, Manuel Abarca IV and County Executive Phil LeVota.

Beverly Newman, Court Administrator also testified.

With no other testimony, the public hearing was closed.

To view details, use the link below and select the video for the December 8, 2025 legislative meeting. <https://jacksonco.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Resolutions #22099, #22116, #22126, #22127 and #22130 were adopted at this time. See pages 6, 7, 11 and 12 for details.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Phil LeVota, County Executive, gave the following report:

He congratulated Chairman DaRon McGee on his recent engagement.

The Collection Department will have extended hours for taxpayers - Saturday, December 13th and Saturday, December 20th from 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM at the Truman Courthouse in Independence. The extended hours began on November 22nd.

Last Thursday, more tax policies were announced regarding taxpayers who went before the Board of Equalization and entered into stipulations. Because of the STC ruling capping tax increases at 15%, those taxpayers with higher stipulation agreements, now have the option to estimate their taxes and pay only the 15% increase.

Beginning December 15th, there will be a tax hotline if taxpayers need assistance with assessments - 816.881.4455. An email is also available - taxquestions@jacksongov.org

Mr. LeVota said he would appoint a Sunshine Request Task Force to make sure these requests are answered in a timely manner. There was discussion with Legislators DaRon McGee, Sean E. Smith, Donna Peyton and Megan L. Smith.

Regarding the ARPA funds, the County Executive was unaware of the current evaluation process being used by the County Legislature because it does not get the funds to the organizations before the end of the year. He announced some organizations he felt should bypass the evaluation process underway because they are well known entities. There was discussion with Legislator Donna Peyton.

To view details of the discussion, use the link below and select the video for the December 8, 2025 legislative meeting.
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6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[6007](#) AN ORDINANCE enacting section 5542., of Jackson County Code, 1984, related to the use of unlicensed gambling devices with severability clause.

(Legislature As A Whole - 16th Perfection)

[6026](#) A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6026. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

Consent Agenda.

[6027](#) A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6027. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

Consent Agenda.

[6028](#) A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6028. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

Consent Agenda.

[6036](#) A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6036. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

Consent Agenda.

[6037](#) A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6037. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

Consent Agenda.

[6038](#) A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6038. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Consent Agenda.

[6039](#) A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6039. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Consent Agenda.

[6040](#) A motion was made by Donna Peyton, seconded by Sean E. Smith to perfect Ordinance #6040. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Consent Agenda.

[6042](#) A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Donna Peyton, to approve the Justice and Law Committee Amendment dated December 1, 2025 for Ordinance #6042, to delete the figure "\$90,000.00" and insert the figure "\$77,340.00" in the heading and second paragraph on page one, the BE IT ORDAINED paragraph on page two and the fiscal note on page three. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(ADOPTED)

[6042](#) A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6042. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

Consent Agenda.

[6043](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$102,600.00 within the 2025 General Fund and awarding a twelve-month contract, with two twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of recruitment services for use by the Sheriff's Office, Detention Center to Changing Technologies, Inc. of Washington, DC under the terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 25-027.

(Finance and Audit Committee - 4th. Perfection)

Sean E. Smith reported that the Finance and Audit Committee did not have a quorum at their meeting held today.

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson to reassign Ordinance #6043 from the Finance and Audit Committee to the Legislature As A Whole. 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

[6043](#) A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6043. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Consent Agenda.

[6044](#) AN ORDINANCE to adopt the annual budget and set forth appropriations for the various spending agencies and the principal subdivisions thereof, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026.

(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Perfection)

[6045](#) AN ORDINANCE setting the 2026 Jackson County, Missouri tentative tax levy.

(Legislature As A Whole - 1st. Perfection)

[6046](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$810,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2025 Health Fund, appropriating \$400,000.00 from the 2025 Inmate Security Fund, and transferring \$50,000.00 from the 2025 General Fund to cover increased costs for medical, medication, and food services for use by the Jackson County Detention Center.

(Finance and Audit Committee - 1st. Perfection)

Sean E. Smith reported that the Finance and Audit Committee did not have a quorum at their meeting held today.

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson to reassign Ordinance #6046 from the Finance and Audit Committee to the Legislature As A Whole. 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

[6046](#)

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson to perfect Ordinance #6046. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Consent Agenda.

[6047](#)

A motion was made by Donna Peyton, seconded by Sean E. Smith to perfect Ordinance #6047. The motion passed by a voice vote.

(PERFECTED)

Consent Agenda.

[6048](#)

AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$950,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2025 Grant Fund and awarding a contract for the furnishing of construction services to Terry Snelling of Independence, MO for the Rock Island Trail Greenwood Connector, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 25-034 at a cost to the County not to exceed \$1,914,489.00.

(Public Works Committee - 1st. Perfection)

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[22014](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with one twelve-month option to extend for the furnishing of disaster recovery services for use countywide to 21st Enterprise, LLC aka ServPro of Lee's Summit, Missouri, under the terms and conditions of the Junior College District of Metropolitan Kansas City, Missouri (MCC) Contract No. 19-7242-C3R2.

(Legislature As A Whole - 7th. Meeting)

[22087](#) Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[22098](#) Land Use Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[22099](#) A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Jeanie Lauer, to adopt Resolution #22099, honoring the Northeast High School Vikings B Soccer Team. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

[22103](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$636,425.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2025 Park Fund for construction services provided by Hartline Construction of Kansas City, MO for use by the Parks + Rec Department.

(Public Works Committee - 4th. Meeting)

Sean E. Smith reported that the Finance and Audit Committee did not have a quorum at their meeting held today.

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson to reassign Resolution #22107 from the Finance and Audit Committee to the Legislature As A Whole. 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

[22107](#) A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to adopt Resolution #22107, awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract extension for the furnishing of employee cafeteria plan administration for use countywide to Application Software, Inc. (ASI Flex), of Columbia, MO. 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

(ADOPTED)

[22115](#) Expressing the opposition of the Jackson County Legislature to the reopening of the CoreCivic-owned facility in Leavenworth, Kansas as an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention center.

(WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR MANUEL ABARCA IV. CONCURRED BY SEAN E. SMITH AND DONNA PEYTON.)

[22116](#) A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Donna Peyton, to adopt Resolution #22116, honoring the retirement of the Honorable Judge J. Dale Youngs. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

[22117](#) Justice and Law Enforcement Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

[22118](#) Anti-Crime Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[6026](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 17.68± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RR (Residential Ranchette).

(ADOPTED)

[6027](#) AN ORDINANCE vacating a portion of an unnamed and unimproved right of way within Breezy Meadows, a subdivision in Jackson County.

(ADOPTED)

[6028](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 10.13± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates).

(ADOPTED)

[6036](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 10.00± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RR (Residential Ranchette).

(ADOPTED)

[6037](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 36.68± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates).

(ADOPTED)

[6038](#) AN ORDINANCE requesting a renewal of a conditional use permit (CUP) in District RE (Residential Estates) for continuous operation of a bed and breakfast subject to specified conditions, as to a 0.48± acre tract.

(ADOPTED)

[6039](#) AN ORDINANCE amending the zoning districts established pursuant to the Unified Development Code by rezoning a certain 20.00± acre tract from District AG (Agricultural) to District RE (Residential Estates).

(ADOPTED)

[6040](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$133,835.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2025 Grant Fund, in acceptance of a six-month extension of the VOCA Grant awarded to the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office by the Missouri Department of Social Services.

(ADOPTED)

[6042](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$77,340.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2025 Grant Fund, in acceptance of additional grant funds received by the Family Court Division from the State of Missouri Department of Social Services Division of Youth Services.

(ADOPTED)

[6043](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$102,600.00 within the 2025 General Fund and awarding a twelve-month contract, with two twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of recruitment services for use by the Sheriff's Office, Detention Center to Changing Technologies, Inc. of Washington, DC under the terms and conditions of Request for Proposals No. 25-027.

(ADOPTED)

[6046](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$810,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2025 Health Fund, appropriating \$400,000.00 from the 2025 Inmate Security Fund, and transferring \$50,000.00 from the 2025 General Fund to cover increased costs for medical, medication, and food services for use by the Jackson County Detention Center.

(ADOPTED)

[6047](#) AN ORDINANCE transferring and appropriating \$935,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2025 Grant Fund for improvements to Little Blue Trace/Rock Island Trail.

(ADOPTED)

[22087](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract for the purchase of a Flex Wing rotary cutter for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Van Wall Equipment of Lenexa, KS under the terms and conditions of Sourcewell Ag Tractors Contract No. 082923-DAC, an existing competitively bid government contract, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$32,487.00.

(ADOPTED)

[22098](#) A RESOLUTION awarding a contract for a lease of three Wide-Area Mowers, two Zero-Turn Mowers, a utility tractor, and brush cutter for use by the Parks + Rec Department to Van Wall Equipment of Lenexa, KS under the terms and conditions of Sourcewell Ag Tractors Contract No. 082923-DAC and Sourcewell Grounds Maintenance Contract No. 112624-DAC, existing competitively bid government contracts, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$115,585.00.

(ADOPTED)

[22117](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$7,155.00 within the 2025 Inmate Security Fund and awarding a twelve month contract with two twelve-month options to extend to Precision Dynamics Corp, dba PDC IDenticard of Valencia, CA, for clincher identification wristbands and supportive equipment for use by the Jackson County Detention Center, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$7,155.00, as a sole source purchase.

(ADOPTED)

[22118](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$120,000.00 within the 2025 Anti-Crime Sales Tax Fund to cover ankle bracelet monitoring service fees for use by the Jackson County Detention Center.

(ADOPTED)

Ordinances #6026, #6027, #6028, #6036, #6037, #6038, #6039, #6040, #6042, #6043, #6046, #6047 and Resolutions #22087, #22098, #22117 and #22118 were moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

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

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

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[6049](#) Establishing a third-party monitoring program for Jackson County projects and authorizing access for qualified contracted third parties to conduct site visits.

(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)

[6050](#) Prohibiting law enforcement officers from concealing their faces or badges during performance of their official duties and establishing penalties and exemptions.

(Assigned to the Anti-Crime Committee.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[22120](#) Awarding a twenty-four-month term and supply contract, with one twelve-month option to extend, for the furnishing of tree removal services for use by various County departments to Looks Great Services of Columbia, MS under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 25-044.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[22121](#) Awarding a twenty-four-month term and supply contract, with three twelve-month options to extend, for the furnishing of moving services for use by various County departments to A. Arnold Kansas City of Olathe, KS, under the terms and conditions set forth in the 16th Judicial Circuit of Missouri IFB-10004706-24-27, an existing government contract.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[22122](#) Authorizing the execution of certain documents required by the County's banking and investment companies designating the County Executive, the Interim Director of Finance and Purchasing, and the Clerk of the Legislature to be authorized signers on behalf of the County.

(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)

A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to hold Resolution #22123. The motion failed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 2 - Manuel Abarca IV and Venessa Huskey

No: 7 - DaRon McGee, Donna Peyton, Jalen Anderson, Megan L. Smith, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

[22123](#)

A motion was made by Donna Peyton, seconded by Sean E. Smith, to adopt Resolution #22123, authorizing the County Executive and the Prosecuting Attorney to execute a three-year Child Support Cooperative Agreement with the Missouri Department of Social Services, Family Support Division. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - DaRon McGee, Donna Peyton, Jalen Anderson, Megan L. Smith, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

No: 1 - Manuel Abarca IV

Abstain: 1 - Venessa Huskey

(ADOPTED)

Rebecca Lambert, Director of Family Support Division, explained Resolution #22123 and asked the County Legislature to adopt it.

[22124](#)

Authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with Miriam Hennosy for administrative services at a cost to the County not to exceed \$5,800.00.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[22125](#)

Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract, with three twenty-four month options to extend, for the furnishing of laboratory drug testing for use by various County departments to Avertest, LLC., dba Averthealth, of Richmond, Virginia, under the terms and conditions set forth in Johnson County, Kansas Contract No. 2023-019, an existing government contract.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

[22126](#)

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Charlie Franklin, to adopt Resolution #22126, recognizing Independence Meals on Wheels for 50 years of service in the Jackson County community. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

[22127](#)

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to adopt Resolution #22127, congratulating the Van Horn Falcons boys' soccer team on their Class III Missouri State Championship win. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

[22128](#)

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by DaRon McGee, to adopt Resolution #22128, authorizing the County Executive to execute cooperative agreements with the named agencies for the provision of assistance and services to homeless persons, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$150,000.00 under Request for Proposals 25-039.

The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Sean E. Smith

(ADOPTED)

[22129](#)

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Donna Peyton, to adopt Resolution #22129, authorizing the County Executive to execute cooperative agreements with certain organizations that provide assistance and services to homeless persons, at an aggregate cost to the County not to exceed \$198,000.00. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Sean E. Smith

(ADOPTED)

[22130](#)

A motion was made by Charlie Franklin, seconded by Jeanie Lauer, to adopt Resolution #22130, expressing appreciation to officers of the Springfield Police Department for their collaboration and technical assistance in the development of the proposed Gambling Machine Ordinance. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

[22131](#)

Awarding a contract for the maintenance of software for use by the Compliance Review Office to AskReply, Inc., dba B2Gnow of Phoenix, AZ, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$48,180.00, as a sole source purchase.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[22132](#)

Authorizing the Prosecuting Attorney to accept a twelve-month extension of the 2022 Justice Assistance Grant awarded by the United States Department of Justice, at no cost to the County.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

[22133](#) Authorizing the Jackson County 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.)

[22134](#) Transferring \$129,658.00 within the 2025 General Fund to cover the cost of computers and the purchase of vehicles for use by the Jackson County Family Court.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

[22135](#) Awarding a contract for an upgrade to Granicus Operations Cloud Governance Legislative Edition for use by the Office of the Clerk of the County Legislature to Granicus of St. Paul, MN, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$179,785.00, as a sole source purchase.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[22136](#) Awarding a contract for the purchase of new hardware, including setup and configuration necessary for the upgrade to fully managed video services for use by the Office of the Clerk of the County Legislature in 2026 to Granicus of St. Paul, MN, at an actual cost to the County not to exceed \$70,000.00, as a sole source purchase.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

[22137](#) Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature to execute a twelve-month Consulting Agreement with two twelve-month options to extend with Fred Dreiling, LLC, of Kansas City, MO, to serve as Chief Lobbyist to perform State Legislative Lobbyist Services for the Legislature, under the terms and conditions of Request for Qualifications No. 24-086, at a cost to the County for 2026 not to exceed \$117,500.00.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Manuel Abarca IV, County Legislator, asked his legislative aide to give a packet of add-ons to the Clerk of the County Legislature. He said there were 38 add-on Ordinances pertaining to ARPA. They were not read into the

record but were assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee by Chairman McGee.

After the legislative meeting, the Clerk was informed that per the County Counselor's office the add-on ordinances violated Rule 16 of the Rules of the County Legislature. Therefore, the sponsor was notified that these ordinances were not included in the Final Agenda for the December 8th legislative meeting.

Phil LeVota introduced Courtney Adams Canady who he appointed as the Community Relations Officer.

Megan L. Smith, County Legislator, asked Whitney Miller, Chief Deputy County Counselor, if the corrected contract for Resolution #22097 was completed yet because she was unable to access it online in Granicus. Ms. Miller said she would check and report back to Ms. Smith tomorrow.

Megan L. Smith asked Chairman McGee if they could finish the conversation from earlier in the meeting regarding the evaluators. Mr. McGee said he would have the Legislative Auditor respond. Ms. Smith requested Mr. McGee to also be present for the discussion.

15 **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Jeanie Lauer, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, December 15, 2025 at 3:00 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.