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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)*

Jackson County Courthouse
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Friday, July 18, 2025

10:00 AM

Twenty-ninth 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 Charlie Franklin, seconded by Sean E. Smith to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on July 07, 2025. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

None.

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 - 31st 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 - 12th Perfection)

[5982](#) AN ORDINANCE enacting section 5578., Jackson County Code, 1984 related to discrimination in public accommodation.

(Health and Environment Committee - 8th. Perfection)

[5990](#) AN ORDINANCE establishing a commercial property assessment rate cap in Jackson County, Missouri

(Legislature As A Whole - 2nd. 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 - 50th 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 - 37th Meeting)

[21921](#) A RESOLUTION declaring certain County-owned vehicles as surplus property and authorizing their disposal pursuant to Chapter 11 of Jackson County Code, 1984.

(Justice and Law Enforcement Committee - 8th. Meeting)

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Jalen Anderson to waive the reading of Resolutions #21921, #21930, #21959, #21960, #21961, #21962, #21963, and #21964. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - DaRon McGee, Donna Peyton, Jalen Anderson, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin and Sean E. Smith

No: 2 - Megan L. Smith and Jeanie Lauer

- [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 - 6th. Meeting)
- [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.
(Budget Committee - 1st. Meeting)
- [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 - 1st. Meeting)
- [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.
(Budget Committee - 1st. Meeting)
- [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.
(Budget Committee - 1st. Meeting)
- [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.
(Budget Committee - 1st. Meeting)

- [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 - 1st. Meeting*)

9 CONSENT AGENDA

None.

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

No objection to the consideration of Ordinances #5995, #5996 and #5997 - not on printed agenda.

- [5995](#) 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.
(*Assigned to the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee.*)

- [5996](#) 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.
(*Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.*)

- [5997](#) 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.
(*Assigned to the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee.*)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

None.

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

None.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Veto Message from the County Executive regarding Ordinance #5989, submitting to the qualified voters of Jackson County, Missouri, at the general election to be held on November 4, 2025, a question to amend the Jackson County Charter, with an effective date.

Discussion.

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Venessa Huskey, **to override the veto of Ordinance #5989**. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - DaRon McGee, Donna Peyton, Jalen Anderson, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin and Sean E. Smith

No: 2 - Megan L. Smith and Jeanie Lauer

(VETO OVERRIDDEN)

Veto Message from the County Executive regarding Ordinance #5992, repealing subsection 2066.7., of the Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to a senior tax credit, and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new subsection relating to the same subject. (Changed the deadline from June 30 to August 31.)

Discussion.

A motion was made by Donna Peyton, seconded by Venessa Huskey, **to override the veto of Ordinance #5992**. 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
(VETO OVERRIDDEN)

Veto Message from the County Executive regarding Ordinance #5993, submitting to the qualified voters of Jackson County, Missouri, at a special election to be held on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, a question regarding the recall of County Executive Frank White, Jr.

Discussion.

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Venessa Huskey, **to override the veto of Ordinance #5993**. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(VETO OVERRIDDEN)

14 NEW BUSINESS

Megan L. Smith, County Legislator, introduced Ordinance #5995 from the floor and she gave her reasoning for proposing this legislation. DaRon McGee responded and indicated that since there is currently pending litigation, the courts will provide remedy to this issue.

Jeanne Lauer, County Legislator, challenged her fellow legislators with the task of revising the Jackson County Charter. DaRon McGee responded and agreed that charter review is necessary.

Manuel Abarca IV, County Legislator, introduced Ordinances #5996 and #5997 from the floor. See page 4 for these three add-on Ordinances.

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 21, 2025 at 3:00 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.