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

Monday, September 18, 2023

3:00 PM

Thirty-fourth 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, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, 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 Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Jalen Anderson to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on September 11, 2023. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

Dr. Kimberly Beatty, Chancellor and CEO of the Metropolitan Community Colleges, and Dr. Kathrine Swanson, President of MCC-Longview Campus, gave a presentation regarding updates to facilities and programs at the Community Colleges. A copy of Dr. Beatty's presentation is available under the Meeting Details for the September 18, 2023

Legislative Meeting located at:

[https://jacksonco.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?](https://jacksonco.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=1121451&GUID=7FAF8955-A57B-4DD6-9D7B-E7336628BADA&)

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DaRon McGee, County Legislator, said he appreciates the information. MCC is constantly doing innovative programming throughout the County. Mr. McGee and Megan L. Marshall, County Legislator, recently had an opportunity to tour some of these new facilities during the partnership with the Community College for assessment information meetings.

Manuel Abarca IV, County Legislator, asked about ways the Legislature

can support the work of the Community Colleges. Dr. Beatty said she knows the Legislature is passionate about building capacity in these programs and that can be accomplished with up scaling and partnerships, as with the Advanced Technical Skills Institute. They welcome any additional American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) that could be used for workforce development. Dr. Beatty previously met with Mr. Abarca about speaking to the Community College's men of color. She invited the Legislators to visit the new facilities at the Community Colleges. DaRon McGee asked when the new Automotive Institute will open. Dr. Swanson said they will break ground in the spring of 2024 and hope to open in the fall of 2025.

Donna Peyton, County Legislator, said she appreciates the focus on workforce and the preparation of young people with new skills to prepare them for high paying jobs.

Sean E. Smith, County Legislator, asked about the Community Colleges medical program. Dr. Beatty said the Community Colleges have a Health Sciences Institute at 35th and Broadway with 18 degree programs including nursing, occupational therapy, and surgical technology. They have also received approval from the State of Missouri for a respiratory care bachelor's degree program because there are no four-year programs in our area. There is a high need for these medical programs.

Manual Abarca IV asked Sylvyva Stevenson, Chief Administrative Officer, about previous partnerships with the Community Colleges. Dr. Beatty said MCC offers corporate training and customized programs in partnership with many area corporations and organizations.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

The County Executive was not present. There was no report.

Manual Abarca asked about the lawsuits filed against the County. Bryan Covinsky, County Counselor, said this needs to be discussed in closed session.

6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

[5783](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$5,597,855.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 County Improvement Fund and awarding a contract for construction services for exterior improvements to the Jackson County Courthouse to Gunter Construction Co., of Kansas City, KS, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 23-037.
(Budget Committee - 3rd. Perfection)

[5787](#) Budget Committee moved to perfect.
Sean Smith objected to the Consent Agenda.

[5787](#) A motion was made by Megan L. Marshall, seconded by Donna Peyton to perfect Ordinance #5787. The motion passed by a voice vote.
Yes: 7 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey and Jeanie Lauer
No: 1 - Sean E. Smith
Abstain: 1 - Charlie Franklin

(PERFECTED)

[5787](#) A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to adopt Ordinance #5787, enacting a property tax credit to eligible taxpayers within Jackson County, Missouri, in accordance with the Revised Statutes of Missouri §137.1050 (SB190). The motion passed by a roll call vote:
Yes: 8 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith
Abstain: 1 - Charlie Franklin

(ADOPTED)

[5788](#) Justice and Law Enforcement Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.

[5789](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$110,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 Assessment Fund to cover the cost of salaries and overtime for the remainder of the 2023 Board of Equalization (BOE) appeals docket.
(Budget Committee - 1st. Perfection)

[5790](#) Justice and Law Enforcement Committee moved to perfect. Consent Agenda.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

[21390](#) Justice and Law Enforcement Committee moved to adopt.

Manuel Abarca IV objected to the Consent Agenda.

[21390](#) A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to adopt Resolution #21390, awarding a contract for the furnishing of a Dodge Durango Pursuit AWD SUV for use by the Sheriff's Office to Lou Fusz Motor Company of St. Louis, MO, under the terms and conditions of State of Missouri Contract No. CC222374009, an existing competitively bid government contract, at an actual cost to the County in the total amount of \$40,599.00. The motion failed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 4 - Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer and Sean E. Smith

No: 5 - DaRon McGee, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton and Manuel Abarca IV

(DEFEATED)

[21391](#) A RESOLUTION laying out the direction for the detainee programming at the new Jackson County Detention Center.

(Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee - 1st. Meeting)

[21392](#) Justice and Law Enforcement Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[5788](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$63,630.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 Grant Fund, in acceptance of the State of Missouri Drug Courts Coordinating Commission Family Drug Court Program Grant for use by the Family Court Division.

(PERFECTED)

[5790](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating \$10,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 Grant Fund in acceptance of funding provided by the Organized Crime Enforcement Task Force for use by the Jackson County Drug Task Force for "Operation Pony Express."

(PERFECTED)

- [21392](#) A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a Letter of Agreement with the Communications Workers of America, Local 6360, regarding the terms and conditions of the employment of members of its bargaining unit.
- (ADOPTED)

Ordinances #5788 and #5790 were moved to the Consent Agenda for perfection. Resolution #21392 was moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

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

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

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

- [5791](#) Appropriating \$19,372.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 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 overtime expenses.
- (Assigned to the Anti-Crime Committee.)*

- [5792](#) Appropriating \$19,840.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2023 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 overtime expenses.
- (Assigned to the Anti-Crime Committee.)*

- [5793](#) Setting the 2023 merchants' and manufacturers' inventory replacement tax levy.
- (Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)*

- [5794](#) Setting the 2023 Jackson County, Missouri, tax levy.
- (Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)*

- [5795](#) Setting the 2023 Jackson County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled (Sheltered Workshop) Levy.
- (Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)*

- [5796](#) Setting the 2023 Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund Levy.
- (Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)*

The County Legislature will have a public hearing regarding Ordinances #5793, #5794, #5795, and #5796 on Monday, September 25, 2023 at 3 p.m. in the Jackson County Courthouse located at 415 E. 12th Street, 2nd Floor, Kansas City, Missouri in the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area.

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[21398](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute a twelve-month Lease with Crane Brewing Company, LLC, of Raytown, MO, for certain County property in the Rock Island Rail Corridor located adjacent to 6515 Railroad Street, Raytown, MO, 64133, for an annual rental fee payable to the County in the amount of \$3,000.00.

(Assigned to the Land Use Committee.)

[21399](#) Authorizing the County Executive to execute an Extension to the Cooperative Agreement with ArtsKC for the development of an arts strategic plan for Jackson County, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$250,000.00.

(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)

No objection to the consideration of Resolution #21400 - not on printed agenda.

[21400](#) A motion was made by Megan L. Marshall, seconded by Manuel Abarca IV, to adopt Resolution #21400, congratulating LM2 Construction & Consulting on the occasion of its new headquarters in South Kansas City, Missouri. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

(ADOPTED)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

[23-18](#) I hereby appoint Lindsey Haldiman, D.O., as Medical Examiner, effective September 18, 2023.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

14 NEW BUSINESS

None.

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.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, September 25, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.