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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, July 22, 2024**

**3:00 PM**

**Twenty-seventh Regular Meeting**

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

Megan L. Marshall, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

**1 ROLL CALL**

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

Absent 1 - Jeanie Lauer

**2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Recited.

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

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Sean E. Smith to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on July 16, 2024. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Resolution # 21679 was adopted at this time. See page 7 for details.

**4 HEARINGS**

Megan L. Marshall, County Legislator, opened interviews with applicants for the Sports Complex Authority. There were three applicants for nomination. She invited Carson Ross, Norbeto Ayala-Flores, and Theresa Cass Galvin to come forward and introduce themselves to the Legislature.

Norbeto Ayala-Flores said he has been a resident of Kansas City since 1996. He is a married father of four. He has worked with many local non-profit organizations. For the last few years, he has been working with FIFA soccer as the area prepares for the World Cup. He wants to make our community welcoming and more diverse. Mr. Ayala-Flores said his taxes are paid. He is affiliated with the Republican party. He is bilingual.

Carson Ross said he is the former mayor of Blue Springs, Missouri. He

served for 14 years as a state representative. He has spent 38 years in elected office, 45 years as an appointee to boards and commissions, and 39 years in the corporate world, working for Hallmark cards. Mr. Ross said his mother taught him to get “book learning” and have common sense. He is affiliated with the Republican party. While he is a busy retiree, he is selective on what he now chooses to do with his time. He has a passion for veterans affairs.

Theresa Cass Galvin said she is a 50-year resident of Kansas City. She raised her children here. She worked over 30 years in the construction industry, and she served on the Jackson County Legislature for 8 years, which gives her a unique perspective. She is honored to be on this panel with the other nominees. She is a Republican.

A motion was made by DaRon McGee, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to accept by acclamation the nomination of this slate of candidates and insert their names in Resolution #21670. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer

## 5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Frank White, Jr., County Executive, was not present. Caleb Clifford, Chief of Staff, said there was no report.

## 6 PERFECTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

### [5860](#)

AN ORDINANCE submitting to the qualified voters of Jackson County, Missouri, at a General Election to be held on November 5, 2024, a question authorizing Jackson County to impose a countywide capital improvement sales tax of one-eighth of one percent for a period of twenty-five years for the purpose of retaining the Kansas City Chiefs sports team in Jackson County, Missouri.

*(Finance and Audit Committee - 5th. Perfection)*

A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to move Ordinance #5860 from the Finance and Audit Committee to Legislature as a Whole.

Whitney Miller, Chief Deputy County Counselor, said this motion will require five affirmative votes.

Mr. Abarca said his goal is to facilitate a discussion on this Ordinance and Ordinance #5861, to determine the best actions to retain the Chiefs in

Kansas City.

Jalen Anderson, County Legislator, said his concern is that there have been no statements from the teams giving input on these two actions. He does not believe the wording of these ordinances addresses the issues that need to be resolved.

Manuel Abarca IV said the owner of the Chiefs, Clark Hunt, made a statement that he hopes to get the best deal for the team.

The motion failed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 4 - Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, and DaRon McGee

No: 4 - Jalen Anderson, Megan L. Marshall, Charlie Franklin, and Sean E. Smith

Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer

[5861](#)

Submitting to the qualified voters of Jackson County, Missouri, at a General Election to be held on November 5, 2024, a question authorizing Jackson County to impose a countywide capital improvement sales tax of three-eighths of one percent for a period of forty years for the purpose of retaining the Kansas City Chiefs sports team in Jackson County, Missouri.  
*(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)*

A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Venessa Huskey, to move Ordinance #5861 from the Finance and Audit Committee to Legislature as a Whole.

The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, DaRon McGee, and Sean E. Smith

No: 3 - Jalen Anderson, Megan L. Marshall, and Charlie Franklin

Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer

[5864](#)

Submitting to the qualified voters of Jackson County, Missouri, at the general election to be held on November 5, 2024, a question to amend the Jackson County Charter, with an effective date.

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

A motion was made by Sean E. Smith, seconded by Manuel Abarca IV, to move Ordinance #5864 from the Finance and Audit Committee to

Legislature as a Whole.

Jalen Anderson said he fears the repercussions of having this issued vetted by a committee.

Manuel Abarca IV said he concurs, but he believes obstruction is occurring as it relates to this action. He wants it moved out of committee for further discussion.

Sean E. Smith, County Legislator, said there is a loss of confidence in County government, much of which comes from the assessment process. He thinks this Ordinance is an important step in restoring confidence in County government.

The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, DaRon McGee, and Sean E. Smith

No: 3 - Jalen Anderson, Megan L. Marshall, and Charlie Franklin

Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer

A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by Sean E. Smith, to perfect Ordinance #5864.

Jalen Anderson objected. He believes it is irresponsible to pass this without a discussion of this matter.

Donna Peyton, County Legislator, said every time this ordinance has been heard in committee, it was held. There has been no opportunity for discussion.

A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Sean E. Smith, to hold Ordinance #5864 in Legislature as a Whole. The motion failed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 4 - Jalen Anderson, Megan L. Marshall, Charlie Franklin, and Sean E. Smith

No: 4 - Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, and DaRon McGee

Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer

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hold Ordinance #5864 in Legislature as a Whole. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

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

No: 1 - Donna Peyton

Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer

**7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

None.

**8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE**

[21626](#) A RESOLUTION 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.  
*(Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee - 8th. Meeting)*

[21632](#) A RESOLUTION expressing the intent of the Legislature to direct the Chief Lobbyist to advocate in support of trans gender rights to the Missouri General Assembly.  
*(Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee - 8th. Meeting)*

[21633](#) A RESOLUTION 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.  
*(Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee - 8th. Meeting)*

[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.  
(WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR ABARCA. CONCURRED BY ANDERSON AND MCGEE)

[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.  
*(Land Use Committee - 7th. Meeting)*

- [21667](#) A RESOLUTION amending Rules 16 and 19 of the Rules of the Jackson County Legislature relating to the transfer of legislation between committees.  
*(Rules Committee - 3rd. Meeting)*
- [21668](#) A RESOLUTION expressing the support of the Jackson County Legislature for the creation of a Jackson County Office of Gun Violence Prevention.  
*(Budget Committee - 2nd. Meeting)*
- [21670](#) A motion was made by DaRon McGee, seconded by Donna Peyton, to adopt Resolution #21670, nominating candidates for appointment to the Jackson County Sports Complex Authority, for a term to expire July 15, 2029. The motion passed by a roll call vote:  
Yes: 8 - Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, DaRon McGee and Sean E. Smith  
Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer  
  
(ADOPTED)
- [21673](#) Justice and Law Enforcement Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

## 9 CONSENT AGENDA

- [21673](#) A RESOLUTION transferring \$159,000.00 within the 2024 General Fund to cover the cost of vehicle maintenance and repair for use by the Sheriff's Office.  
  
(ADOPTED)
- Resolution #21673 was moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption.
- A motion was made by Manuel Abarca IV, seconded by DaRon McGee, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:  
Yes: 8 - Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, DaRon McGee and Sean E. Smith  
Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer

## 10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

- [5865](#) Enacting section 5577., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to possession of firearms and age restriction.  
*(Assigned to the Rules Committee.)*

[5866](#) Enacting section 2066., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the Senior Property Tax Credit.  
*(Assigned to the Legislature As A Whole.)*

[5867](#) Appropriating \$577,680.00 within the 2024 County Improvement Fund and authorizing two twelve-month extensions to the term and supply contract with Remy Corporation of Lake Denver, CO, for the furnishing of professional services for use by the Information Technology Department, under the terms of State of Oklahoma contract No. SW1025, a competitively-bid government contract.  
*(Assigned to the Budget Committee.)*

## 11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[21677](#) Awarding a twelve-month term and supply contract with two twelve-month options to extend for the furnishing of custodial services for use by the Public Works Department - Facilities Management Division to MC Janitorial of Olathe, Kansas, under terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No.24-033.  
*(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)*

[21678](#) Awarding twenty-four-month term and supply contracts, with one twelve-month option to extend, for the furnishing of lawn and golf course equipment repair for use by various County departments to Lawn & Leisure, Inc., of Lee's Summit, MO and Van Wall Equipment, Inc. of Lenexa, KS, under the terms and conditions of Invitation to Bid No. 24-034.  
*(Assigned to the Finance and Audit Committee.)*

[21679](#) A motion was made by Jalen Anderson, seconded by Manuel Abarca IV, to adopt Resolution #21679, congratulating Silvia Rizzo on the occasion of her retirement from Jackson County. The motion passed by a roll call vote:  
Yes: 8 - Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Manuel Abarca IV, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, DaRon McGee and Sean E. Smith  
Absent: 1 - Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

[21680](#) Awarding a contract for the furnishing of nine full size SUVs for use by the Sheriff's Office to Reed Motors STJ, LLC, dba Reed Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram of Saint Joseph, MO, under the terms and conditions of State of Missouri Contract No. CC240138010, an existing competitively bid government contract, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$384,399.00.  
*(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)*

**12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

None.

**13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Donna Peyton asked about the last time the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee met. Megan L. Marshall said that record is on the County Legislature's website. Manuel Abarca IV said March 25th was the last meeting of the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee.

**14 NEW BUSINESS**

Manuel Abarca IV invited Legislators and the public to the neighborhood violence public meeting on Thursday, July 25, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at Macedonia Baptist Church, 1700 East Linwood Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64109. This is to invite leaders in our neighborhoods to speak about the need in their communities regarding gun violence. Donna Peyton said they are hoping to build a strategy and make a difference for our community.

**15 ADJOURNMENT**

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

The next legislative meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, July 29, 2024 at 3:00 P.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.