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*Theresa Cass Galvin (6th) Chair, Dan Tarwater III (4th) Vice Chair,
Jalen Anderson (1st AL), Crystal Williams (2nd AL), Tony Miller (3rd AL),
Scott Burnett (1st), Ronald E. Finley (2nd), Charlie Franklin (3rd),
Jeanie Lauer (5th)*

Jackson County Courthouse
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Kansas City, Missouri 64106
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Monday, March 16, 2020

10:00 AM

Eleventh Regular Meeting

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

Theresa Cass Galvin, Chairman, called the meeting of the Jackson County Legislature to order.

1 ROLL CALL

Present 5 - Jalen Anderson, Scott Burnett, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent 4 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Ronald E. Finley and Jeanie Lauer

2 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Jalen Anderson to approve the journal of the previous meeting held on March 09, 2020. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4 HEARINGS

None.

5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND REPORTS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Frank White, Jr., County Executive, said that in response to the need to slow the spread of the Coronavirus, COVID-19, he has consulted with the Health Department and issued a proclamation declaring a state of emergency. The original declaration restricted groups over 1,000 but he has since revised the declaration to groups over 250 and most recently revised it to restrict groups over 50, in accordance with CDC recommendations. He said he understands the hardships this emergency has created, but encourages everyone to do their part to slow the spread of the disease. This restriction does not apply to businesses, schools and educational institutions.

Theresa Cass Galvin said the County Legislature's meeting scheduled to

be held on March 23, 2020 has been cancelled. The legislative meeting scheduled for March 30, 2020, is to be determined.

Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator, said the he had many calls from constituents wondering if this restriction applies to bars and restaurants.

Frank White Jr. said as of now restaurants and bars are open. Many churches are televising services. It is up to the individual business to make the decision whether or not to close.

Caleb Clifford, Chief of Staff, said that at a press conference held this morning, the City of Kansas City, Missouri said the fire department is looking at its fire code to reduce attendance and space available to allow for social distancing. As of right now there are no prohibitions on restaurants and bars.

Dan Tarwater III said he had questions related to other issues regarding filling open positions that were approved in the budget process. He said there are two open positions in the Purchasing Department, one in Human Resources, and one in Communications.

Troy Schulte, County Administrator, said paperwork for one position in the Purchasing Department is on the Finance Director's desk, the paperwork for the position in Communications Department is in the County Executive's office. He said they had some good applicatants for these positions and they will try to get these filled soon.

Theresa Cass Galvin asked about the Charter Review Commission. She said we will need to prepare a ballot measure for delivery to the election boards by August 25, 2020. Frank White said that the Commission is selected by the County Executive. He said he is 30 to 60 days away from being ready to proceed with a Charter Review Commission.

6 PERFECTON OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

None.

7 FINAL PASSAGE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

None.

8 RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE

Theresa Cass Galvin, Chairman, asked Troy Schulte for more information about Resolution #20382. She asked why the County stopped paying on its

contract during the last quarter of 2019 when the prior agreement reverted to a month-to-month arrangement.

Mr. Schulte said that when the property was taken over from the school district, and the prior agreement expired, the County had to renegotiate the per space amount. The previous amount per space was below market rates. By the time the details had been worked out, the County had closed out fiscal year 2019. This agreement will allow the County to pay for 50 parking spaces through December 31, 2020 and to go to a month-to-month rental for spaces through 2021. Mr. Schulte said that the agreement is with CB 1211 McGee, but SP+ is managing the parking operations for CB 1211 McGee.

Ms. Galvin asked about problems with employees who work past 5:30 p.m. and on weekends. Mr. Schulte said that those employees will be allowed to move their cars and be given access to park in Lot A.

Ms. Galvin asked about large construction machinery and construction employee's parking. Mr. Schulte said construction workers will probably park in Lot A and the displaced County associates will be moved to 50 spaces in the school district lot. Those displaced from the school district lot will park in the 14th Street parking garage.

Ms. Galvin said her biggest concern was the contract being back dated because this has been an issue mentioned in the State Auditor's audit. Moving forward we should not back date contracts and should take care of issues as they arise. Mr. Schulte said paying the outstanding balance became a problem because the contracting entity changed and there was a dispute over the amount charged per parking space. The desire is to clean this problem up and improve our practices moving forward.

[20382](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Charlie Franklin, to approve the Floor Amendment dated March 16, 2020 for Resolution #20382, to delete the words "twenty-seven" and insert the word "fifteen" after the word "a", to delete the words "for the 2019-2020 term" after the figure "48,750.00" all in the heading; to delete the year "2021" and insert the year "2020" after the date "December 31," in the second paragraph; to insert a new third paragraph to read "WHEREAS, after the expiration of the term of the contract on December 31, 2020, the County will have the option of extending the contract on a month-to-month basis through December 31, 2021; and," all on page two; to delete the sentence "Funds for 2021 are subject to appropriation in the County's then current annual budget." after the figure "\$23,550.00." on page 5. The motion passed by a voice vote.

[20382](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Charlie Franklin, to adopt Resolution #20382, transferring \$23,550.00 within the 2020 General Fund and authorizing the Director of Finance and Purchasing to execute a fifteen-month sole source contract with CB 1211 McGee, LLC, of Kansas City, MO, for the continued rental of fifty parking spaces at the former Kansas City School District building, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$48,750.00. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Jalen Anderson, Scott Burnett, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 4 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Ronald E. Finley and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

[20384](#)

Finance and Audit Committee moved to adopt. Consent Agenda.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

[20384](#)

A RESOLUTION awarding a twelve-month contract, with one-twelve month option to extend, for training, consulting services, and software maintenance on the Mobile Assessor Software for use by the Assessment Department to Data Cloud Solutions of Springfield, OH, as a sole source purchase, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$87,800.00.

Resolution #20384 was sent to the Consent Agenda for adoption.

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Scott Burnett, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Jalen Anderson, Scott Burnett, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 4 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Ronald E. Finley and Jeanie Lauer

10 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

[5320](#)

Authorizing the County Executive to execute an Off-System Bridge Program Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission in connection with the Haines Road Bridge Replacement Project, No. 3241.

(Assigned to the Public Works Committee.)

11 INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE[20385](#)

A motion was made by Scott Burnett, seconded by Dan Tarwater III, to adopt Resolution #20385, recognizing the Jackson County, Missouri 4-H Program. The motion passed by a roll call vote:

Yes: 5 - Jalen Anderson, Scott Burnett, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 4 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Ronald E. Finley and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

[20386](#)

Authorizing the Sheriff to execute, on behalf of Jackson County, a Memorandum of Understanding with the Curators of the University of Missouri on behalf of University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) Police Department, allowing sworn UMKC officers to serve as auxiliary deputies with authority to enforce Jackson County petty offense and traffic ordinances within designated patrol areas on the UMKC campus.

(Assigned to the Justice and Law Enforcement Committee.)

[20387](#)

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to adopt Resolution #20387, authorizing the Jackson County Legislature to hold a closed meeting on Monday, March 16, 2020, for the purpose of conducting confidential communications under section 610.021(17) 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: 5 - Jalen Anderson, Scott Burnett, Charlie Franklin, Dan Tarwater III and Theresa Cass Galvin

Absent: 4 - Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Ronald E. Finley and Jeanie Lauer

(ADOPTED)

12 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS[20-05](#)

On March 12, 2020, in accordance with the power vested in me by the Constitutional Home Rule Charter of Jackson County, Missouri, and the laws of this state and county, I proclaimed a State of Emergency for Jackson County due to the public health threat caused by the spread of COVID-19. Due to subsequent developments, including updated guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and on the recommendation of Governor of the State of Missouri and the County's Director of Health I am hereby amending my prior order, as follows:

That a State of Emergency exists in the County of Jackson, Missouri, beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2020, and lasting until at least 11:59. p.m. on Friday, May 15, 2020, due to the public health threat caused by the spread of COVID-19.

Section 1. For purposes of this Order, the term "Large Group Event" means any gathering of 50 or more people for any business, professional, social, cultural, entertainment, or other special event where people are not separated by physical space of at least four feet (which is slightly longer than an average arm's length).

The aforementioned amendment shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until further order or upon the expiration of the current State of Emergency.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Closed meeting per Resolution #20387.

County Legislature went into closed session.

County Legislature reconvened.

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to submit to the Missouri State Auditor's office the Legislature's response to the COMBAT audit as discussed during closed session. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Jay Haden said the County Charter requires the legislature to have 48 regular meetings in a year. The Charter does not define a regular meeting. Nothing specifies that the Legislative meetings must be weekly. Generally, because the Legislature is an elected body, its members may only vote in person or by video conference. But, in case of an emergency, there are other means of voting that are authorized. Theresa Cass Galvin said that she anticipates the Legislature will be able to make up the missed meeting for next week and possibly the week after during the budget process.

13 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jalen Anderson, County Legislator, asked about the CDC's announcement that all COVID-19 testing costs would be covered. He asked if the administration could verify that information. Gerard Grimaldi from Truman Medical Center said that under the emergency disaster bill and the statements made by the president, mechanisms are being in place to ensure that testing will be done for all residents at no cost.

Jay Haden, Chief Deputy County Counselor, said there may be a matter for the Legislature to vote on after the closed meeting.

15 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dan Tarwater III, seconded by Jalen Anderson, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) outbreak, the County Legislature will not meet on March 23, 2020.

Meeting adjourned TENTATIVELY until Monday, March 30, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 2nd Floor, Legislative Assembly Area.