

**WATER BILLING AND INFRASTRUCTURE AD-HOC COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023 3:00 P.M.**

Present: Committee Members: Chairperson, Virgi Lindsay, Vice Chair, Brian Grizzell, Ashby Foote and Aaron Banks. Directors: Shanekia Jordan, Clerk of Council, Sabrina Shelby, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council and Attorney Catoria Martin.

Absent: Vernon Hartley and Angelique Lee.

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The meeting was called to order by **Chairperson Virgi Lindsay**.

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Chairperson Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 2 be moved forward on the agenda. Hearing no objections, the following was discussed:

DISCUSSION: WATER METER INSTALLATION. **Chairperson Lindsay** recognized **Ted Henifin, Third Party Manager**, who gave an overview of the Water Meter Installation. He informed the council that the water facilities would be fully staffed by 2-22-23 and that he was currently speaking with 3 engineering firms in regards to the distribution system. **Mr. Henifin** stated that big leaks were top priority in the COJ. However, he would be looking for contractors for the smaller leaks. He explained the salary that Jacobs were offering was \$6 dollars more for current employees. Also, Jacobs were looking to hire Class A Operators. **Mr. Henifin** also discussed the data on what is causing the breaks and obtaining information on the location of the valves and low-pressure areas, specifically South Jackson.

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Chairperson Lindsay recognized **Council Member Grizzell** who moved, seconded by **Council Member Banks** to go into Closed Session to discuss pending and potential litigation. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas – Banks, Grizzell and Lindsay.

Nays – Foote.

Absent – None.

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Chairperson Lindsay announced to the public that the Council voted to go into Closed Session to discuss pending and potential litigation.

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During Closed Session, **Council Member Grizzell** moved and **Council Member Banks** seconded to go into Executive Session to discuss pending and potential litigation. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell and Lindsay.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

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Council Member Grizzell moved, seconded by **Council Member Banks** to come out of Executive Session. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell and Lindsay.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

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Chairperson Lindsay announced that the Council voted to come out of Executive Session and no action was taken.

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There being no further business to come before the Committee, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 4:48 p.m.

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