

City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center 300 S. Church Street Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

4:00 PM

Municipal Center, 300 S. Church

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL (ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE) CONFIRMED BY CITY CLERK APRIL LEGGETT

Present 5 - Joe Hafner; Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MIN-25:088 Minutes for the Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 30, 2025

Attachments: Minutes

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

4. NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Joe Hafner said, I just want to say one thing about these first three items. I say this each year. These are not new taxes. This is just a legislative step, administrative step, that we have to go through each year. These have already been voted on and approved by the people.

RES-25:124

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO LEVY A 1 MILL TAX ON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Sponsors: Finance

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:125 RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS

TO LEVY A ONE-HALF (.5) MILL TAX ON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE LOCAL FIRE PENSION AND RELIEF FUND

Sponsors: Finance

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Ave: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:126

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO LEVY A ONE-HALF (.5) MILL TAX ON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE LOCAL POLICE PENSION AND RELIEF FUND

Sponsors: Finance

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:141

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4904 PROSPECT, PARCEL 01-144113-00300, OWNED BY EDWARD G. HARBIN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$465

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

<u>Attachments:</u> 01. 4904 Prospect Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 4904 Prospect Billing Request.pdf
03. 4904 Prospect Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 4904 Prospect Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:142

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5017 MT. CARMEL ROAD, PARCEL 01-133013-01500, OWNED BY KATHERINE ARTERBERRY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,215

<u>Sponsors:</u> Code Enforcement and Finance

<u>Attachments:</u> 01. 5017 Mt Carmel Rd_Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 5017 Mt Carmel Rd_Billing Request.pdf
03. 5017 Mt Carmel Rd_Cleanup_Haul Off.pdf
04. 5017 Mt Carmel Rd_Council Notice.pdf

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A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter

be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:143

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1613 TANGLEWOOD DRIVE, PARCEL 01-143234-07200, OWNED BY HERBERT J. MOORE, JR. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 1613 Tanglewood Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 1613 Tanglewood Billing Request.pdf
03. 1613 Tanglewood Dr Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 1613 Tanglewood Concil Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:144

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 903 PARR, PARCEL 01-144193-14100, OWNED BY KATE REALTY, LLC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$365

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 903 Parr Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 903 Parr Billing Request.pdf

03. 903 Parr_Clean Up_Haul Off Invoice.pdf

04. 903 Par Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Ave: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:145

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3001 CASEY SPRINGS ROAD, PARCEL 01-143271-01700, OWNED BY ASHLEY N. BURNETT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$415

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

<u>Attachments:</u> 01. 3001 Casey Springs Rd Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 3001 Casey Springs Rd Billing Request.pdf
 03. 3001 Casey Springs Rd Mowing Invoice.pdf
 04. 3001 Casey Springs Rd Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter

be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:146

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 910 MARCOM, PARCEL 01-143251-04100, OWNED BY WILDA SEATS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 910 Marcom Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 910 Marcom Billing Request.pdf
03. 910 Marcom Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 910 Marcom Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Ave: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:147

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 211 SCOTT STREET, PARCEL 01-144172-05700, OWNED BY LINDA LOU LAMBERT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 211 Scott Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 211 Scott Billing Request.pdf
03. 211 Scott Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 211 Scott Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Ave: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:148

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1702 W. NETTLETON AVENUE, PARCEL 01-143242-00800, OWNED BY 1702 W. NETTLETON AVE. LLC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement

<u>Attachments:</u> 01. 1702 W Nettleton Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 1702 W Nettleton Billing Request.pdf
03. 1702 W Nettleton Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 1702 W Nettleton Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter

be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:149

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2701 CURTVIEW, PARCEL 01-144273-04400, OWNED BY JESSY & JAMES HARRELL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

<u>Attachments:</u> 01. 2701 Curtview_Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 2701 Curtview Billing Request.pdf03. 2701 Curtview Mowing Invoice.pdf04. 2701 Curtview Coucil Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:150

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2404 BRAZOS, PARCEL 01-144281-29400, OWNED BY KINGDOM ASSETS, LLC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$365

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 2404 Brazos Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 2404 Brazos Billing Request.pdf
03. 2404 Brazos Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 2404 Brazos Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:151

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2106 COTTON, PARCEL 01-144271-20700, OWNED BY MICKAUL ROLLAND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

<u>Attachments:</u> 01. 2106 Cotton Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 2106 Cotton Billing Request.pdf
03. 2106 Cotton Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 2106 Cotton Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:152

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2612 CRAWFORD, PARCEL 01-144273-02300, OWNED BY RANDY & ALEY CRAWFORD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 2612 Crawford Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 2612 Crawford Billing Request.pdf
03. 2612 Crawford Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 2612 Crawford Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Ave: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:153

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1313 PARDEW, PARCEL 01-144212-20200, OWNED BY MICHELLE NUTT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 1313 Pardew Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 1313 Pardew Billing Request.pdf03. 1313 Pardew Mowing Invoice.pdf04. 1313 Pardew Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:154

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1602 TONYA-A, PARCEL 01-144082-00210, OWNED BY MARTISULL, LLC C/O RICHARD SULLIVAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$340

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

<u>Attachments:</u> 01. 1602 Tonya A Notice of Violaiton.pdf

02. 1602 Tonya A Billing Request.pdf
03. 1602 Tonya A Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 1602 Tonya A Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:155

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1602 TONYA-B, PARCEL 01-144082-00200, OWNED BY MARTISULL, LLC C/O RICHARD SULLIVAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 1602 Tonya B Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 1602 Tonya B Billing Request.pdf
03. 1602 Tonya B Mowing Invoice.pdf
04. 1602 Tonya B Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:156

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1204 RAINWOOD, PARCEL 01-143231-08000, OWNED BY AMANDA CUNNINGHAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 1204 Rainwood Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 1204 Rainwood Billing Request.pdf03. 1204 Rainwood Mowing Invoice.pdf04. 1204 Rainwood Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:157

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1617 RICH ROAD, PARCEL 01-143252-25000, OWNED BY RANDOLPH & JUDITH REYNOLDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 1617 Rich Rd Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 1617 Rich Rd_Billing Request.pdf03. 1617 Rich Rd_Mowing Invoice.pdf04. 1617 Rich Rd_Council Notice.pdf

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Ave: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:158

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, TO PLACE A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 907 E. WASHINGTON AVENUE, PARCEL 01-144184-28600, OWNED BY GROVER EVANS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275

Sponsors: Code Enforcement and Finance

Attachments: 01. 907 E Washington Notice of Violation.pdf

02. 907 E Washington Billing Request.pdf 03. 907 E Washington Mowing Invoice.pdf 04. 907 E Washington Council Notice.pdf

Chairman Joe Hafner said, I was kind of thrown, because if that's the same Grover Evans I think he passed away. Councilmember John Street said, I was thinking that myself. City Clerk April Leggett said, they did a search on that, and it is not.

Chairman Joe Hafner said, hey Brian, would it be possible for Finance or Collector's offices to send us, maybe, last couple of years how much they've been paid that they've collected on municipal liens? We got an update before, but it's been two or three years ago. Chief Administrative Officer Brian Richardson approached the podium and said, sure, we can request that. And, of course, we just went through 20 something liens, and I don't want to pass up on a chance to give a shout out to Code Enforcement. And I know Eric's in the room and Scott Roper. For everyone that makes it here there's 10 to 15 cases that they resolve without ever having to actually go through the final lien process. Those guys and ladies down there do a great job, and we certainly appreciate them. Chairman Joe Hafner said, yeah, no doubt.

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

RES-25:159

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BRIDGEFARMER AND ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR JONESBORO RAIL CROSSING STUDY

<u>Sponsors:</u> Engineering

Attachments: Agreement - Jonesboro Rail Crossing Study 2025-10-01.pdf

Chairman Joe Hafner said, hey Brian, I just have a couple questions. The grant was for \$1,200,000, but it talks about BNSF partner for the match is 10% or \$150,000 so

that's \$1,500,000. Are we each giving \$150,000 for a total of \$300,000? Chief Administrative Officer Brian Richardson approached the podium and said, so there was an agreement worked out with BNSF that they would pay up to 5% of the total cost of the grant but not greater than \$150,000. Is that right? Okay, so BNSF basically said we're in for \$150,000 and if our match comes in a little less than that then I'm sure we'll... Chairman Joe Hafner said, all right, so is the total the \$1,365,683? That's the total of the agreement? Brian Richardson said, that's the cost of the proposal that we were sent over. And then, so the grant is \$1,200,000, so then our local match for that system was 10%. So instead of BNSF agreeing to a percentage, they just agreed to an amount that would be roughly about that 10%. Chairman Joe Hafner said, all right.

Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, I have a question. Are they going to do any design work? Brian Richardson said, I'll let Craig speak to the bones of the study. Engineering Department Director Craig Light approached the podium and said, they will get the projects to 30% plans. So, they'll go through and study all the intersections. Make all the recommendations. We'll approve those and then they'll develop drawings up to 30% plans for them. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, so once they do the 30%, is that more money we're going to be involved in? Director Craig Light said, yeah, I mean at that point we'll start seeking additional funding to get them to 100% plans and get them constructed. But that'll get us a good idea of where we need to be for their construction projects that we need to get funded in the phasing of those projects.

Councilmember David McClain said, Craig you mentioned getting them to plan. What kind of construction are we starting or will we have on the different rail crossings? Is this for looking at overpasses or are we looking at something else? Director Craig Light said, yeah, they had a list in the grant agreement, the original grant application, of different types of treatments, consolidations of crossings and then possible bridges, possible rail relocation in areas. There are 18 crossings, so they're going to look at all of them. But then they'll design those. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, does that include the one down on Dan Avenue down here? Director Craig Light said, yeah. It's all of them on the Burlington Northern track starting at Henson Road and going all the way to Cottage Home Road down by Bay.

Chief Administrative Officer Brian Richardson approached the podium and said, and just to add for people that maybe listening or watching from their tv sets or computers at home. You know that the significance of the 30% conceptual plan design for some of these, the purpose of that is to provide you with the type of information that you need to actually seek a capital build type grant for a railroad overpass. This is essentially a planning grant, and at the end of the day what they're going to do is give us kind of a portfolio of projects that you're almost seeking a capital grant to actually construct the project instead of further planning documents. You know there's a lot of grants out there that really strive for you to have that kind of information. A lot of your homework is done before they're going to take their time reviewing. Possibly allocating \$15,000,000, \$20,000,000, \$30,000,000 on an overpass project or any kind of rail reduction project. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman said, I kind of know what the answers are going to be, but I guess my major question was being understaffed, they just need all the help they can get if we're going to pay out that much money then he needs to get as much help as he can get. Brian Richardson said, and I agree. Our staff is skilled in a lot of different things but exactly designing out some of these railroad crossings is a lot of work. 30% isn't a conceptual drawing, I mean, you're actually starting to get through to some real facts and figures and yardages and earth movement stuff like that. So, at the end of this study we anticipate that we're going to receive several highlighted interchanges at railroad crossings that we'll have the

information necessary to take the next step to seek state or federal funding or private entity funding if possible.

A motion was made by John Street, seconded by Brian Emison, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman

5. PENDING ITEMS

6. OTHER BUSINESS

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Brian Emison, seconded by David McClain, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Ann Williams and Anthony Coleman