

JEA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES
July 25, 2022

The External Affairs Committee of JEA met at 2:00 pm on Monday, July 25, 2022 on the 8th Floor, 21 W. Church Street, Jacksonville, Florida. The meeting was properly noticed, and the public was invited to attend this meeting in-person at the physical location and virtually via WebEx.

WELCOME

Meeting Called to Order – Committee Chair Rick Morales called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. Committee member Tom VanOsdol, being present for the meeting constituted a quorum. Committee member John Baker and Board Chair Bobby Stein attended the meeting virtually.

Others in attendance in-person were Jay Stowe, Managing Director/CEO; Ted Phillips, Chief Financial Officer; Laura Schepis, Chief External Affairs Officer; Raynetta Curry Marshall, Chief Operating Officer; Kurtis Wilson, Vice President, Government Relations; Alan McElroy, Vice President, Supply Chain and Operations Support; Hai Vu, Vice President, Water/Wastewater Systems; and Regina Ross, Chief Legal Officer, Office of General Counsel.

Jody Brooks, Chief Administrative Officer; Laura Dutton, Chief Strategy Officer; Sheila Pressley, Chief Customer Officer; David Emanuel, Chief Human Resources Officer; Brad Krol, Chief Information Officer; Paul Mitchell, Vice President, Economic Development; Joe Orfano, Vice President, Financial Services; Jordan Pope, Vice President, Corporate Strategy; Ricky Erixton, Vice President, Electric Systems; and Stephen Datz, Vice President, Technical Services, participated in the meeting via WebEx.

Adoption of the Agenda – On *motion* by Tom VanOsdol and seconded by John Baker, the agenda was approved.

Safety Briefing and Moment – Renee Manna, Manager, Government Relations, provided a Safety Briefing.

Comments from the Public – There were no in-person, virtual, or emailed public comments.

FOR COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

Committee Goals – Laura Schepis, Chief External Affairs Officer, extended appreciation to Committee members for their continued support and highlighted the goals of the Committee including developing common understanding of issues that have consequences for external stakeholders, early insight into emerging key issues, deep dive on selected topics, and collaboration with other Board committees. This presentation was received for information.

Importance of Integrated External Affairs Strategy – Laura Schepis, Chief External Affairs Officer, presented initiatives that the External Affairs team will focus on including federal and state initiatives, Integrated Resource Plan, and economic development. This presentation was received for information.

Electric Integrated Resource Plan Update – Raynetta Curry Marshall, Chief Operating Officer, provided an update on the Electric Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) including a review of the meetings held to date with the IRP Stakeholder Engagement group and a timeline for future updates to the Board. Ms. Marshall provided a review of the six proposed IRP scenarios and extended appreciation to the External Affairs team as great feedback is being received from the IRP Stakeholder Engagement group

on their transparency. Board members held discussions about Northside Generating Station, grant funding, and the six proposed scenarios. This presentation was received for information.

Economic Development / Real Estate Update – Paul Mitchell, Vice President, Economic Development, introduced Michael Corbitt, Director, Real Estate who recently joined JEA. Mr. Corbitt provided introductions. Mr. Mitchell provided the committee with the real estate team’s mission, purpose of JEA’s parcels, and reviewed the strategy to assess JEA’s portfolio for existing assets or acquisition needs to support infrastructure expansion and business initiatives and to create certainty for economic development. Mr. Mitchell provided a review of the site assessment for properties such as the current JEA headquarters, previous site of the St. Johns River Power Park, and land for solar projects. Committee Chair Morales commended the real estate team on their approach. This presentation was received for information.

Surface Water Discharge Elimination and Outreach Update – Hai Vu, Vice President, Water/Wastewater Services, provided a review of the Surface Water Discharge Elimination Bill (SB64) and JEA’s plan to eliminate non-beneficial surface water discharges by January 2032. Mr. Vu noted JEA submitted plans to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) in October 2021, which includes JEA’s goals to increase the amount of reclaimed water from 20 to 30 million gallons per day, addition of three water treatment facilities, and a deep well injection exploratory well, capital improvement plans to meet the 2032 deadline, as well as challenges JEA currently faces. Committee members held discussions on new housing developments, work being done in older neighborhoods, projected growth, and the deep well injection process.

Wayne Young, Vice President, Environmental Services, provided a review on the meeting with FDEP Secretary Hamilton, briefing to the St. Johns Water Management District on JEA’s plan and challenges, collaboration with the City of Jacksonville Environmental Quality Division and elected officials to garner support, statement of support from the St. Johns Riverkeeper regarding JEA’s requested amendments to the House and Senate Bills, Florida sector of the American Water Works Association, Florida Water Environment Association, and similar challenges faced by other utilities in Florida. Committee members held discussions regarding the timeframe for the deep injection well. This presentation was received for information.

Supply Chain and Outreach Update – Alan McElroy, Vice President, Supply Chain and Operations Support, presented on the current state of electric system supply chain issues, sharing material needs with other utilities, lead times for materials, alternative solutions and new suppliers for transformers, and contract and lead times for cable. Mr. McElroy also reviewed supply chain disruptions for water/wastewater materials, mitigation efforts, project/materials forecasting model, ongoing initiatives to maintain supplies, and Electric Services Asset Use Guidelines. Committee members held discussions regarding alternative manufacturers for transformers.

Kurt Wilson, Vice President, Government Relations, presented JEA is proactive in communicating with JEA’s development community. Mr. Wilson provided a review of the partnership with the Northeast Florida Builders Association including JEA hosting town hall-style meetings and addressing supply chain concerns as they arise. Committee members held discussions regarding communication, storm stock, and the supply chain forecasting model. This presentation was received for information.

Bobby Stein departed the meeting at 3:04 pm; John Baker departed the meeting at 3:25 pm.

2022 YOUtility Customer Messaging Campaign Review – Mark Stultz, Vice President, Communications, provided a review of JEA’s YOUtility Customer Messaging Campaign including scope and goals, campaign results, five messaging pillars, and leveraging digital advertising. Mr. Stultz provided the committee with two YOUtility campaign videos. Committee members extended

appreciation to the team for the commercials and LinkedIn features of staff members. This presentation was received for information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

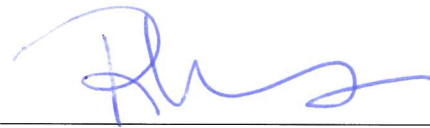
Appendix A: FY22 Corporate Communications and Community Outreach – Provided for information only

CLOSING CONSIDERATIONS

Announcements – Next Meeting December 16, 2022

Adjournment – With no further business coming before the Committee, General DiSalvo declared the meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.

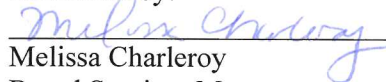
APPROVED BY:



Rick Morales, Committee Chair

Date: 1/24/23

Submitted by:



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