

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-0487

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: August 8, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, Finance, TEU

Date of Analysis: August 4, 2023

Type of Action: Appropriation of grant and matching funds

Bill Summary: This bill seeks to appropriate \$1,710,000.00, comprising \$855,000 in grant funds from the State of Florida Department of Emergency Management and an \$855,000 city match, to purchase heavy equipment trucks and trailers to support and improve the capabilities of the Fire and Rescue Department's heavy equipment team (HET). The bill also provides for oversight by the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department, and the Emergency Preparedness Division.

Background Information: The purpose of the appropriation is to provide funding for the JFRD to purchase six trucks and gooseneck trailers to transport skid steers and excavators previously purchased. In addition, funds will be used for a large-scale excavator for the rapid response team, and a fuel truck to deploy on emergency response missions in remote or devastated areas. A 100% match of \$855,000 is required by the State of Florida Department of Emergency Management, State Fire Marshal Division, for receipt of the grant funds.

Policy Impact Area: Emergency preparedness, JFRD emergency operations

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$855,000 in city funds as a 100% match of \$855,000 in State of Florida grant funds for a total appropriation of \$1,710,000.

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