

## LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET

DATE: 11.13.25

BT or RC No: N/A  
(Administration & City Council  
Bills)

SPONSOR: Office of Economic Development  
(Department/Division/Agency/Council Member)

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PURPOSE: White Paper (Explain Why this legislation is necessary? Provide; Who, What, When, Where, How and the Impact.) Council Research will complete this form for Council introduced legislation and the Administration is responsible for all other legislation.

(Minimum of 350 words - Maximum of 1 page.)

Project Underground will support the expansion of an existing manufacturing company and allow for increased investment in Northwest Jacksonville. This will increase job opportunities, further develop the manufacturing ecosystem, and maintain their presence in Jacksonville while increasing the tax base. The company has current operations in Tennessee and a significant business presence in the western USA, they are willing to pay more in freight costs to ship from Jacksonville but are also considering additional sites (including greenfield options) across Georgia and co-located in Tennessee. It is possible that they will consolidate production wherever they choose for this expansion (resulting in the loss of jobs in Jacksonville). The company has also noted that other locations provide significantly less expensive real estate than Jacksonville and offer incentives for job creation that Jacksonville cannot match.

The project has a ROI of 3.8 to 1, for the City of Jacksonville.

APPROPRIATION: Total Amount Appropriated: N/A as follows:  
List the source name and provide Object and Subobject Numbers for each category listed below:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in title of legislation)

Name of Federal Funding Source(s):	From:	Amount:
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Contract / Agreement  
Approval?

X

Attachment & Explanation: If yes, attach the Contract / Agreement and name of Department (and contact name) that will provide oversight. Indicate if negotiations are on-going and with whom. Has OGC reviewed / drafted?

**Economic Development Agreement will be drafted by OGC,  
with oversight by the Office of Economic Development.**

Related RC/BT?

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate RC/BT form(s).

Waiver of Code?

Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper.

Code Exception?

Code Reference: If yes, identify code in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper.

Related Enacted  
Ordinances?

Code Reference: If yes, identify related code section(s) and ordinance reference number in the box below and provide detailed explanation and any changes necessary within white paper.

**ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED:** Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

YES

NO

Continuation of Grant?

Explanation: How will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame and/or multi-year? If multi-year, note year of grant? Are there long-term implications for the General Fund?

Surplus Property  
Certification?

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate form(s).

Reporting  
Requirements?

Explanation: List agencies (including City Council / Auditor) to receive reports and frequency of reports, including when reports are due. Provide Department (include contact name and telephone number) responsible for generating reports.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE**

Pursuant to Section 166.041(4), F.S., the City is required to prepare a Business Impact Estimate for ordinances that are NOT exempt from this requirement.

A list of ordinance exemptions are provided below. Please check all exemption boxes that apply to this ordinance. If an exemption is applicable, a Business Impact Estimate IS NOT required.

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The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;

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The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;

- ☐ The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- ☒ The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- ☐ The ordinance relates to procurement;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement any of the following:
- a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
  - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
  - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code;
  - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

If none of the boxes above are checked, then a Business Impact Estimate **IS REQUIRED** to be prepared by the using agency/office/department and submitted in the MBRC filing packet along with the memorandum request, legislative fact sheet, etc. A Business Impact Estimate form can be found at:

<https://www.coj.net/departments/finance/budget/mayor-s-budget-review-committee>

Division  
Chief:

  
(signature)

Date: 11/15/13

Prepared  
By:

  
(signature)

Date: 11.13.2

### **ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSMITTAL**

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(Name, Job Title, Department)  
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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation.

Independent Agency Action Item:

Boards Action / Resolution? 

Yes	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate documentation.  
If no, when is board action scheduled?

**FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED**