

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2026-0032

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

**Date of Introduction:** January 13, 2026

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F, JWC, NCSPHS

**Date of Analysis:** January 12, 2026

**Type of Action:** Authorize the Mayor to apply to the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) for grants; authorize the Mayor to execute and deliver Grant Agreements between the City and FIND; provide for oversight.

**Bill Summary:** This bill authorizes the Mayor to apply to the FIND for 2026 grants to undertake specified waterways-related projects. It also authorizes the Mayor to execute and deliver all Grant Agreements between the City and FIND related to such grants and acknowledges the willingness to meet funding requirements. The bill provides for City oversight by the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services.

**Background Information:** The 2026 FIND grant projects recommended by the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department were approved by the Jacksonville Waterways Commission at its November 12, 2025, meeting. The projects are:

- Downtown Dredging—Construction (Council Districts 1, 5, and 7)
- Sisters Creek Dock Extension and Bathhouse—Construction, Phase 1 (Council District 2)
- TK Stokes Boat Ramp Bulkhead—Design (Council District 10)

The three grant projects total \$6,380,000; FIND will reimburse \$2,900,000, and the City's match totals \$3,480,000, including internal engineering fees.

**Policy Impact Area:** Florida Inland Navigation District grants; waterways

**Fiscal Impact:** This bill appropriates no funds, but the three grant projects total \$6,380,000. FIND would reimburse \$2,900,000, and the City's match totals \$3,480,000, including internal engineering fees.

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