

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2024-933

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Salem

**Date of Introduction:** November 26, 2024

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

**Date of Analysis:** November 26, 2024

**Type of Action:** Appropriation and Waiver of Procurement Code

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$152,362 from the General Fund Operating Special Council Contingency account to the General Fund Operating Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organizations account to provide a grant to the Regional Food Bank of Northeast Florida, Inc., doing business as Feeding Northeast Florida (FNEFL). The grant funds will support the Growing to Meet the Need Program, which includes facility improvements and equipment purchases for FNEFL's warehouse and operations facility at 5245 Old Kings Road. The Ordinance waives Section 118.107 of the Ordinance Code, allowing for a direct contract with FNEFL. Oversight will be provided by the Grants and Contract Compliance Division of the Finance Department.

**Background Information:** The Growing to Meet the Need Program includes renovations to FNEFL's new facility, which serves as a consolidated location for food storage, operations, and community programs. Improvements include modifications to the receiving truck well incline, a dehumidifier system for the primary cooler, and lighting upgrades. City grant funds will cover up to 80% of the project costs. Additionally, a restrictive covenant agreement will ensure the facilities use for public purposes for at least ten years.

**Policy Impact Area:** Food security

**Fiscal Impact:** This bill appropriates \$152,362 from the General Operating Special Council Contingency account to the General Fund Operating Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organizations account.

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