

1 Introduced by Council Member Clark-Murray:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2024-803**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$25,000 FROM GENERAL  
6 FUND OPERATING RESERVES TO THE GENERAL FUND  
7 OPERATING, MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS AND AIDS  
8 ACCOUNT, TO PROVIDE CITY GRANT FUNDING TO THE  
9 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL FOUNDATION,  
10 INCORPORATED ("MLK FOUNDATION") TO SUPPORT THE  
11 2025 MLK HOLIDAY GRAND PARADE EVENT AS DESCRIBED  
12 HEREIN; INVOKING THE EXEMPTION IN SECTION  
13 126.108(G) (EXEMPTIONS FROM COMPETITIVE  
14 SOLICITATION), PART 1 (GENERAL REGULATIONS;  
15 ETHICS AND TRANSPARENCY IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING),  
16 CHAPTER 126 (PROCUREMENT CODE), *ORDINANCE CODE*,  
17 TO ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT WITH MLK  
18 FOUNDATION; WAIVING SECTION 118.107 (NONPROFITS  
19 TO RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH A COMPETITIVE  
20 EVALUATED AWARD PROCESS), PART 1 (GENERAL  
21 PROVISIONS), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS),  
22 *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT  
23 WITH MLK FOUNDATION; APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING  
24 THE MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION  
25 SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ON BEHALF OF  
26 THE CITY A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF  
27 JACKSONVILLE AND THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
28 MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, INCORPORATED FOR THE 2025  
29 MLK HOLIDAY GRAND PARADE; PROVIDING FOR  
30 OVERSIGHT BY THE OFFICE OF SPORTS AND  
31 ENTERTAINMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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2 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

3 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2024-2025 fiscal year,  
4 within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated  
5 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)  
6 listed in subsection (b):

7 (The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and  
8 incorporated herein by this reference)

9 (a) Appropriated from:

10 See **Exhibit 1** \$25,000

11 (b) Appropriated to:

12 See **Exhibit 1** \$25,000

13 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

14 The funding above is an appropriation of \$25,000 from  
15 General Fund Operating Reserves to the General Fund  
16 Operating, Miscellaneous Grants and Aids account to provide  
17 a grant to The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial  
18 Foundation, Incorporated ("MLK Foundation") to provide  
19 City funds for certain costs and expenses related to the  
20 2025 MLK Holiday Grand Parade in Jacksonville. Although  
21 the funds appropriated herein are from General Fund  
22 Operating Reserves, the proposed use of these funds to  
23 support programs and initiatives in Council District 9  
24 fulfills the intent for funds previously appropriated in  
25 fiscal year 2023-2024 for Council District 9 Council Member  
26 strategic initiatives that were unencumbered and swept into  
27 the General Fund Operating Reserves on October 1, 2024.

28 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
29 Section 1 is to provide grant funds from the City of Jacksonville to  
30 MLK Foundation for the 2025 MLK Holiday Grand Parade as described in  
31 **Exhibit 2**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

1 This will be the 44<sup>th</sup> year of this event which will be held in downtown  
2 Jacksonville on Monday, January 20, 2025. The City funds will offset  
3 a portion of the costs of professional fees and services for the  
4 Parade event including, but not limited to, equipment and facility  
5 rentals, advertising, security, insurance, and post-event cleanup.

6 **Section 3. Invoking the Exemption in Section 126.108(g),**  
7 **Ordinance Code.** The City is hereby authorized to directly procure  
8 the professional services of The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial  
9 Foundation, Incorporated for coordination of the 2025 MLK Holiday  
10 Grand Parade as described herein. Pursuant to Section 126.108(g)  
11 (Exemptions from competitive solicitation), Part 1 (General  
12 Regulations; Ethics and Transparency in Public Contracting), Chapter  
13 126 (Procurement Code), *Ordinance Code*, such procurement is exempted  
14 from competitive solicitation because the supplies or services are  
15 to be provided by those specifically prescribed within authorizing  
16 legislation. With the exception of the foregoing, all other provisions  
17 of Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, shall remain in full force and effect.

18 **Section 4. Waiver of Section 118.107, Ordinance Code.** The  
19 provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through  
20 a competitive evaluated award process), Part 1 (General Provisions),  
21 Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, are hereby waived to allow  
22 for a direct contract with MLK Foundation. This waiver is justified  
23 because MLK Foundation has coordinated the MLK Holiday Grand Parade  
24 and MLK Day festivities in Jacksonville for a number of years. This  
25 event honors the memory and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.,  
26 one of the most important historical figures of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The  
27 Parade and MLK Day festivities are held annually as a means to promote  
28 and further the ideals and philosophy of this internationally renowned  
29 leader.

30 **Section 5. Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is  
31 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation

1 Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of  
2 the City a grant agreement with The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
3 Memorial Foundation, Incorporated in an amount not-to-exceed \$25,000,  
4 subject to the Term Sheet and Budget more particularly described in  
5 **Exhibit 2**, for a term commencing on October 1, 2024 through September  
6 30, 2025, and all other contracts and documents, including extensions,  
7 renewals and amendments to the agreement, and to otherwise take all  
8 action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Ordinance, subject  
9 to appropriate legal review and approval by the General Counsel, or  
10 his or her designee, and the City's Risk Management Division for  
11 appropriate insurance and indemnification requirements in accordance  
12 with Section 128.601, *Ordinance Code*.

13 **Section 6. Oversight Department.** The Office of Sports and  
14 Entertainment shall oversee the project described herein.

15 **Section 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
16 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
17 without the Mayor's signature.

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19 Form Approved:

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21           /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

22 Office of General Counsel

23 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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