

1 Introduced by Council Member Lahnen:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2024-949**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$70,296 FROM A  
6 GENERAL FUND OPERATING SPECIAL COUNCIL  
7 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO THE GENERAL FUND  
8 OPERATING SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIVATE  
9 ORG ACCOUNT, TO PROVIDE CITY GRANT FUNDING TO  
10 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA ("UNF") FOR THE UNF  
11 MILITARY AND VETERANS PROGRAM (THE "PROGRAM") AS  
12 DESCRIBED HEREIN; APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE  
13 MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION  
14 SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ON BEHALF OF  
15 THE CITY A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF  
16 JACKSONVILLE AND UNF FOR THE PROGRAM; PROVIDING  
17 FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE GRANTS AND CONTRACT  
18 COMPLIANCE DIVISION OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT;  
19 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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21 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

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

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

- 28 (a) Appropriated from:  
29 See **Exhibit 1** \$70,296  
30 (b) Appropriated to:  
31 See **Exhibit 1** \$70,296

1 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

2 The funding above is an appropriation of \$70,296 from a  
3 General Fund Operating Special Council Contingency account  
4 to the General Fund Operating Subsidies and Contributions  
5 to Private Org account, to provide a grant to University  
6 of North Florida ("UNF") for the UNF Military and Veterans  
7 Program (the "Program") as described herein.

8 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
9 Section 1 is to provide grant funds from the City of Jacksonville to  
10 the University of North Florida for the UNF Military and Veterans  
11 Program as described in **Exhibit 2**, attached hereto and incorporated  
12 herein by this reference. The Program is operated out of the UNF  
13 Military and Veterans Resource Center (the "MVRC") which serves over  
14 2,000 military-connected students and provides access to technology  
15 and equipment to assist students in their educational pursuits as  
16 well as a location for work study groups, completion of class  
17 projects, student collaborations, and development of presentations.  
18 Two specific programs offered at the UNF MVRC that will be supported  
19 by the City grant dollars include the SBDC Military Spouse Career  
20 Readiness Seminar and the Veteran/Military Student Entrepreneurship  
21 Bootcamp and Pitch Competition. The Spouse Career Readiness Seminar  
22 provides targeted training, mentorship and resources to help military  
23 spouses explore entrepreneurship opportunities as a viable career  
24 path while the Bootcamp and Pitch Competition were designed to provide  
25 opportunities for military and veteran students attending UNF to  
26 explore innovation, creativity and entrepreneurship and to develop  
27 the skillset necessary to achieve their entrepreneurship goals.

28 The City funds will be used to purchase two interactive  
29 electronic whiteboards for installation in the main area and a private  
30 study room at the MVRC and to purchase equipment and make improvements  
31 to the MVRC kitchen where military-connected students have access to

1 free refreshments throughout the day. A portion of the City funds  
2 will also be used to purchase a golf cart to transport disabled and  
3 mobility-challenged veterans and military-connected students around  
4 the MVRC campus. Finally, a portion of the funds will be used for  
5 office expenses, space rentals, and marketing materials as well as a  
6 portion of the salaries and benefits for a Coordinator and a  
7 Facilitator to support the SBRC Military Spouse Career Readiness  
8 Seminar and a Cohort Facilitator and Mentors for the Entrepreneurship  
9 Bootcamp and Pitch Competition.

10       **Section 3. Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is  
11 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation  
12 Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of  
13 the City a grant agreement with University of North Florida in an  
14 amount not-to-exceed \$70,296, subject to the Term Sheet and Budget  
15 more particularly described in **Exhibit 2**, for a term commencing on  
16 October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, and all other contracts  
17 and documents, including extensions, renewals and amendments to the  
18 agreement, and to otherwise take all action necessary to effectuate  
19 the intent of this Ordinance, subject to appropriate legal review and  
20 approval by the General Counsel, or his or her designee, and the  
21 City's Risk Management Division for appropriate insurance and  
22 indemnification requirements in accordance with Section 128.601,  
23 *Ordinance Code*.

24       **Section 4. Oversight Department.** The Grants and Contract  
25 Compliance Division of the Finance Department shall oversee the  
26 project described herein.

27       **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
28 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
29 without the Mayor's signature.  
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1 Form Approved:

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3           /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

4 Office of General Counsel

5 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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