

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-808

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

Date of Introduction: November 14, 2023

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

Date of Analysis: November 16, 2023

Type of Action: Appropriation of funds; amending the 2024-28 CIP to reflect this appropriation; providing compliance with applicable ARP Act grant funding requirements

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$1,250,000 from the Mayor’s Task Force Contingency Fund within the American Rescue Plan (“ARP”) Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. It appropriates \$1,000,000 to Countywide Parks – Pool Maintenance and Upgrades and \$250,000 to Veterans Community Center at the recommendation of the Mayor’s transition committees. The former appropriation will supplement current funding to refresh and renovate the City’s pool properties and to improve safety systems and physical appearance of City pools throughout Duval County. The latter appropriation will provide funding to support initial costs to research, procure, and renovate either a new building or existing structure for the future Veterans Community Center.

It amends the Capital Improvement Plan for FY 24-28 to reflect this reallocation of funds and clarifies that the appropriations outlined in the bill are in compliance with all applicable ARP Act grant requirements.

Background Information: The Mayor’s Transition Committees received input from hundreds of people in Duval County during their publicly-noticed meetings during the mayoral transition process, and these appropriations reflect recommendations made by the Transition Committees. The City Council appropriated funding in the FY 23-24 annual budget to fund the Mayor’s programs and initiatives, and this is the second of two bills comprising the Mayor’s Task Force Appropriation Legislation. The Mayor believes that these initiatives will benefit and improve the overall quality of life of the people of Duval County.

Policy Impact Area: Mayoral Task Force initiatives; public pools; veterans’ services

Fiscal Impact: This bill appropriates \$1,250,000 from the Mayor’s Task Force Contingency Fund within the ARP Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to fund Mayoral Task Force Initiatives.

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