

1 Introduced by Council Member Peluso:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2024-254**

5 AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS;
6 APPROPRIATING \$80,000, INCLUDING \$50,000 TO
7 RIVERSIDE-AVONDALE PRESERVATION, INC. ("RAP"),
8 \$20,000 TO SPRINGFIELD PRESERVATION AND
9 REVITALIZATION COUNCIL, INC. ("SPAR") AND
10 \$10,000 TO MURRAY HILL PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION
11 OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, INC. ("MHPA"), FROM
12 DESIGNATED CONTINGENCY ACCOUNTS WITHIN THE
13 GENERAL FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND OPERATING -
14 MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS AND AIDS ACCOUNT TO PROVIDE
15 FUNDING FOR VARIOUS SERVICES AND INITIATIVES AS
16 DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER OF
17 FUNDS TO DECEMBER 31, 2024; INVOKING THE
18 EXEMPTION IN SECTION 126.107(G) (EXEMPTIONS),
19 PART 1 (GENERAL REGULATIONS), CHAPTER 126
20 (PROCUREMENT CODE), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR
21 DIRECT CONTRACTS WITH RIVERSIDE-AVONDALE
22 PRESERVATION, INC., SPRINGFIELD PRESERVATION
23 AND REVITALIZATION COUNCIL, INC. AND MURRAY HILL
24 PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION OF JACKSONVILLE,
25 FLORIDA, INC., FOR THE SERVICES AND INITIATIVES
26 DESCRIBED HEREIN; WAIVING SECTION 118.107
27 (NONPROFITS TO RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH A
28 COMPETITIVE EVALUATED AWARD PROCESS), PART 1
29 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS),
30 *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR DIRECT CONTRACTS
31 WITH RAP, SPAR AND MHPA; WAIVING SECTION 118.602

1 (RESPONSIBILITY), PART 6 (CULTURAL SERVICE GRANT
2 PROGRAM), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE*
3 *CODE*, TO AUTHORIZE AWARD OF THIS FUNDING TO SPAR
4 AND RAP IN ADDITION TO CULTURAL SERVICE GRANT
5 FUNDING THAT HAS BEEN OR MAY BE AWARDED BY THE
6 CULTURAL COUNCIL; APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE
7 MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND CORPORATION
8 SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER AGREEMENTS
9 BETWEEN THE CITY AND RAP, SPAR AND MHPA;
10 PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE GRANTS AND
11 CONTRACT COMPLIANCE DIVISION OF THE FINANCE AND
12 ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT; REQUESTING ONE CYCLE
13 EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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15 **WHEREAS**, during the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget approval
16 process, Council Members recommended for approval by the Council a
17 variety of initiatives to be funded with available General Fund
18 dollars; and

19 **WHEREAS**, during the Finance Committee budget hearings, Council
20 Member Peluso proposed establishing a Neighborhood Investment
21 Micro-Grant Program to provide funds to registered neighborhood and
22 merchant organizations for initiatives that would enhance the quality
23 of life for the City's residents; and

24 **WHEREAS**, this proposal was amongst those approved by the City
25 Council for inclusion in the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget and \$75,000
26 was set aside in a designated contingency for this Micro-Grant
27 Program; and

28 **WHEREAS**, the Council wishes to reach more neighborhood
29 organizations and is therefore proposing to also utilize a portion
30 of the \$100,000 set aside as part of the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget
31 in a designated contingency for Community Development Corporation

1 ("CDC") capacity building grants to fund additional neighborhood and
2 merchant organization initiatives; and

3 **WHEREAS,** since adoption of the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget
4 pursuant to Ordinance 2023-504-E, specific neighborhood organizations
5 have been identified that currently provide a variety of services
6 within their respective communities that will aid in beautifying and
7 marketing these vibrant areas of the City, making them more attractive
8 to residents, businesses and visitors; and

9 **WHEREAS,** to allow the funds set aside for the purpose of aiding
10 neighborhood organizations in addition to a portion of the funds set
11 aside for CDC capacity building initiatives to be effectively used
12 as soon as possible, the Council has determined it to be in the best
13 interests of the City to approve the appropriations outlined herein;
14 now therefore

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

16 **Section 1. Findings.** It is hereby ascertained, determined,
17 found and declared as follows:

18 (a) The recitals set forth above are true and correct and are
19 incorporated herein by this reference.

20 (b) The authorizations provided by this Ordinance are for
21 public uses and purposes for which the City may use its
22 powers as a municipality and as a political subdivision of
23 the State of Florida and may expend public funds, and the
24 necessity in the public interest for the provisions herein
25 enacted is hereby declared as a matter of legislative
26 determination.

27 (c) This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to the provisions of
28 Chapters 166 and 125, *Florida Statutes*, as amended, the
29 City's Charter, and other applicable provisions of law.

30 **Section 2. Appropriation.** For the 2023-2024 fiscal year,
31 within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated

1 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)
2 listed in subsection (b):

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

5 (a) Appropriated from:

6 See **Exhibit 1** \$80,000

7 (b) Appropriated to:

8 See **Exhibit 1** \$80,000

9 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

10 The funding above is an appropriation of \$80,000 from
11 Designated Contingency accounts within the General Fund to
12 the General Fund Operating - Miscellaneous Grants and Aids
13 account to provide funding for various services and
14 initiatives as more particularly described herein, to
15 include \$50,000 to Riverside-Avondale Preservation, Inc.
16 ("RAP"), \$20,000 to Springfield Preservation and
17 Revitalization Council, Inc. ("SPAR") and \$10,000 to Murray
18 Hill Preservation Association of Jacksonville, Florida,
19 Inc. ("MHPA").

20 **Section 3. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in
21 Section 2 is to provide funding from the City of Jacksonville to RAP,
22 SPAR and MHPA for the provision of various services and initiatives
23 as more particularly described in the Term Sheets attached hereto as
24 **Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by this reference. The services and
25 initiatives to be provided by each organization are designed to
26 beautify and improve public spaces within the Riverside/Avondale,
27 Springfield and Murray Hill neighborhoods, respectively, and to
28 market the opportunities and services provided by each funded
29 neighborhood organization to highlight their respective efforts at
30 making these areas attractive to residents, businesses and visitors
31 alike, while also creating community pride.

1 **Section 4. Carryover.** The funds appropriated by this
2 Ordinance shall not lapse but shall carryover to December 31, 2024.

3 **Section 5. Invoking the Exemption in Section 126.107(g),**
4 **Ordinance Code.** The City is hereby authorized to directly procure
5 the professional services of Riverside-Avondale Preservation, Inc.,
6 Springfield Preservation and Revitalization Council, Inc. and Murray
7 Hill Preservation Association of Jacksonville, Florida, Inc., for the
8 provision of services described in **Exhibit 2.** Pursuant to Section
9 126.107(g) (Exemptions), Part 1 (General Regulations), Chapter 126
10 (Procurement Code), *Ordinance Code*, such procurement is exempted from
11 competitive solicitation because the supplies or services are to be
12 provided by those specifically prescribed within authorizing
13 legislation that appropriates the same. With the exception of the
14 foregoing, all other provisions of Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, shall
15 remain in full force and effect.

16 **Section 6. Waiver of Section 118.107, Ordinance Code.** The
17 provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through
18 a competitive evaluated award process), Part 1 (General Provisions),
19 Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, are hereby waived to allow
20 for direct contracts with Riverside-Avondale Preservation, Inc.,
21 Springfield Preservation and Revitalization Council, Inc. and Murray
22 Hill Preservation Association of Jacksonville, Florida, Inc. This
23 waiver is justified because each of these organizations has maintained
24 long-standing connections with the residents and businesses in each
25 of the respective neighborhoods they serve. These connections are
26 crucial to best understand and serve the particular needs of each
27 community and the public who visit these vibrant areas of the City.

28 **Section 7. Waiver of Section 118.602, Ordinance Code.**
29 Section 118.602 (Responsibility), Part 6 (Cultural Service Grant
30 Program), Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, is hereby waived
31 to allow SPAR and RAP to receive this funding in addition to Cultural

1 Service Grant funding that has been or may be awarded by the Cultural
2 Council.

3 **Section 8. Approval and Authorization to Execute**
4 **Agreements.** There is hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee,
5 and the Corporation Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and
6 deliver on behalf of the City, agreements with the following entities
7 for the specified not-to-exceed amounts: Riverside-Avondale
8 Preservation, Inc. (\$50,000), Springfield Preservation and
9 Revitalization Council, Inc. (\$20,000) and Murray Hill Preservation
10 Association of Jacksonville, Florida, Inc. (\$10,000), subject to the
11 terms, conditions and budgets outlined in the Term Sheet for each
12 organization attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**, for a term commencing on
13 January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and all other contracts
14 and documents, including extensions, renewals and amendments to the
15 agreements, and to otherwise take all action necessary to effectuate
16 the intent of this Ordinance, subject to appropriate legal review and
17 approval by the Office of General Counsel and the City's Risk
18 Management Division for appropriate insurance and indemnification
19 requirements in accordance with Section 128.601, *Ordinance Code*.

20 **Section 9. Oversight Department.** The Grants and
21 Contract Compliance Division of the Finance and Administration
22 Department shall oversee the projects described herein.

23 **Section 10. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**
24 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this
25 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that the
26 funded organizations would like to begin relevant design and other
27 work in coordination with the various contractors and consultants
28 providing services for the initiatives to be funded with City dollars
29 as soon as possible.

30 **Section 11. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
31 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective

1 without the Mayor's signature.

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3 Form Approved:

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5 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

6 Office of General Counsel

7 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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