

LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET

DATE: 02/13/26

BT or RC No: BT26-054
 (Administration & City Council Bills)

SPONSOR: Office of Administrative Services/Environmental Quality
 (Department/Division/Agency/Council Member)

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PURPOSE: White Paper (Explain Why this legislation is necessary? Provide; Who, What, When, Where, How and the Impact.) Council Research will complete this form for Council introduced legislation and the Administration is responsible for all other legislation. (Minimum of 350 words - Maximum of 1 page.)

A contract between the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the City of Jacksonville, Environmental Quality Division (EQD) has been approved for the removal and disposal of derelict vessels from public waters of the state of Florida. Contract 25220 provides for the removal of four (4) derelict vessels (FL8130GT, FL1041NY, FL0329HA, and an unknown registration number) located in Ribault River, Trout River, Clapboard Creek, and the St Johns River at Kurzius Beach, all within Duval County. Once removed, the vessels will be taken to an authorized landfill for disposal. EQD will subcontract the removal and disposal based upon the lowest bids.

APPROPRIATION: Total Amount Appropriated: \$77,440.00 as follows:

List the source name and provide Object and Subobject Numbers for each category listed below:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in title of legislation)

Name of Federal Funding Source(s):	From: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission	Amount: \$77,440.00
	To: Derelict Vessel Removal Grant	Amount: \$77,440.00

Name of State Funding Source(s):	From:	Amount:
	To:	Amount:

Name of City of Jacksonville Funding Source(s):	From:	Amount:
	To:	Amount:

Name of In-Kind Contribution(s):	From:	Amount:
	To:	Amount:

Name & Number of Bond Account(s):	From:	Amount:
	To:	Amount:

PLAIN LANGUAGE OF APPROPRIATION / FINANCIAL IMPACT / OTHER:

Explain: Where are the funds coming from, going to, how will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame? Will there be an ongoing maintenance? ... and staffing obligation? Per Chapters 122 & 106 regarding funding of anticipated post-construction operation costs.

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These funds are from the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and does not require a match. The project must be completed by August 6, 2026. Once the vessels are removed from the water and reimbursement is received from FWC, there is no further obligation by the City.

ACTION ITEMS: Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

ACTION ITEMS:

	Yes	No	
Emergency?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Justification of Emergency: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of emergency. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Federal or State Mandate?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Explanation: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of mandate including Statute or Provision. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Fiscal Year Carryover?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Note: If yes, note must include explanation of all-year subfund carryover language. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
CIP Amendment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate CIP form(s). Include justification for mid-year amendment. Attachment & Explanation: If yes, attach the Contract / Agreement and name of Department (and contact name) that will provide oversight. Indicate if negotiations are on-going and with whom. Has OGC reviewed / drafted? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Contract / Agreement Approval?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attachment & Explanation: If yes, attach the Contract / Agreement and name of Department (and contact name) that will provide oversight. Indicate if negotiations are on-going and with whom. Has OGC reviewed / drafted? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Related RC/BT?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate RC/BT form(s). Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Waiver of Code?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Code Exception?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify code in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Related Enacted Ordinances?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify related code section(s) and ordinance reference number in the box below and provide detailed explanation and any changes necessary within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED: Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

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	Yes	No	
Continuation of Grant?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Explanation: How will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame and/or multi-year? If multi-year, note year of grant? Are there long-term implications for the General Fund? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
Surplus Property Certification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate form(s).
Reporting Requirements?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Explanation: List agencies (including City Council / Auditor) to receive reports and frequency of reports, including when reports are due. Provide Department (include contact name and telephone number) responsible for generating reports. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> The Environmental Quality Division will provide all of the necessary reports/paperwork at the completion of each project. </div>

BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE

Pursuant to Section 166.041(4), F.S., the City is required to prepare a Business Impact Estimate for ordinances that are NOT exempt from this requirement.

A list of ordinance exemptions are provided below. Please check all exemption boxes that apply to this ordinance. If an exemption is applicable, a Business Impact Estimate IS NOT required.

- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government;
- The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- The ordinance relates to procurement;
- The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement any of the following:
 - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
 - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code;
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

If none of the boxes above are checked, then a Business Impact Estimate IS REQUIRED to be prepared by the using agency/office/department and submitted in the MBRC filing packet along with the memorandum request, legislative fact sheet, etc. A Business Impact Estimate form can be found at:

<https://www.coj.net/departments/finance/budget/mayor-s-budget-review-committee>

Division Chief: Signed by: Melissa M. Long
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(signature)

Date: 2/20/2026

Prepared By: Signed by: Kristi Collins
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(signature)

Date: 2/20/2026

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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation.

Independent Agency Action Item: Yes No
Boards Action / Resolution? Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate documentation. If no, when is board action scheduled?

FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED