

1 Introduced by Council Member Ferraro and Co-Sponsored by Council
2 Member Morgan:

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4 **ORDINANCE 2019-645**

5 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND
6 CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE A FIRST
7 AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH JACKSONVILLE
8 UNIVERSITY TO RENEW THE CONTRACT FOR A FIRST
9 ADDITIONAL YEAR FOR THE CONTINUING MANATEE
10 PROTECTION STUDIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
11 AND TO INCLUDE THE ADDITIONAL TASK FOR A
12 BOATER SPEED ZONE COMPLIANCE STUDY, SUBJECT TO
13 APPROPRIATION BY CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING AN
14 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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16 **WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville has engaged Jacksonville
17 University to provide marine science support, particularly in
18 developing and refining the City's Manatee Protection Plan; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the University's A. Quinton White, Ph.D., a highly-
20 regarded expert on marine mammals, especially manatees, has been
21 the principal scientist under the contract with Jacksonville
22 University; and

23 **WHEREAS**, conflict, such as the differing regulatory approaches
24 to manatee protection and the debate over the status of the
25 manatee, indicates the continuing need for marine science support;
26 and

27 **WHEREAS**, the City Council authorized the contract with Dr.
28 White through Ordinance 2018-540-E, which invoked Section
29 126.107(g), *Ordinance Code*, to waive competitive solicitation and
30 bidding due to Dr. White's expertise; and

31 **WHEREAS**, the contract approved by ordinance 2018-540-E was set

1 to expire on October 3, 2019 but provided for four (4) one (1) year
2 renewals; and

3 **WHEREAS**, a revised Task 8 has been outlined in the proposed
4 contract for this one year extension in order to provide the City
5 with a Boater Speed Zone Compliance Study based upon protocols
6 agreed upon with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
7 Commission ("FWC"), as required by the City of Jacksonville Manatee
8 Protection Plan, 4th Edition, dated November 2017, as outlined on
9 page 136; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Boater Speed Zone Compliance Study is directly
11 related to the proper performance and provision of the Services
12 anticipated in the original contract; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Boater Speed Zone Compliance Study will require
14 an additional \$90,000.00 for the contract for fiscal year 2019/2020
15 which brings the total contract amount to \$180,000.00; and

16 **WHEREAS**, at its August 28, 2019 meeting, the Waterways
17 Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the proposed
18 contract extension and additional services for the Boater Speed
19 Zone Compliance Study; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the Council would like to exercise the first
21 extension to renew the contract for an additional one-year renewal
22 to October 2, 2020, and to include the additional Task 8; now
23 therefore

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

25 **Section 1. Authorizing the Mayor and Corporation**
26 **Secretary to Execute a First Amendment to the Contract for**
27 **Continuing Manatee Protection Studies, dated October 4, 2018.**

28 Subject to appropriation by the City Council, the Mayor, or his
29 designee, and Corporation Secretary are authorized to execute a
30 First Amendment to the contract with Jacksonville University to
31 exercise the first one (1) year renewal of the contract term for

1 the services of Dr. A. Quinton White and Dr. Gerard Pinto for
2 continuing manatee protection studies in substantially the same
3 form as contained **On File** with the City Council Legislative
4 Services Division.

5 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
6 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
7 without the Mayor's signature.

8 Form Approved:

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10 /s/ Susan C. Grandin

11 Office of General Counsel

12 Legislation Prepared By: Susan C. Grandin

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