

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-689

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

Date of Introduction: August 27, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: August 29, 2024

Type of Action: Authorization to execute amended economic development agreement

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes execution of a sixth amendment to the economic development agreement between the City and A A Auto Parts, Inc. to extend the project completion date by an additional 12 months to September 30, 2025.

Background Information: Ordinance 2019-652-E was approved on 10/22/19, appropriating \$250,000 from the Northwest Jacksonville Economic Development Fund to support the expansion of AA Auto Parts, Inc. The purpose of the funding was to provide a \$100,000 Business Infrastructure Grant and a \$150,000 Loan in connection with infrastructure improvements needed to accommodate the installation of an Italian manufactured metal shredder system on the company's property, located at 6641 West Beaver Street. The original project completion date was July 1, 2021. Environmental issues at the site in 20019 delayed the project start and then the COVID pandemic further delayed work. Several extensions of the project completion date were approved before the team from the Italian equipment manufacturer arrived in the United States in late 2023 to install the machinery. The latest delay is caused by the inability to obtain an electrical transformer due to the worldwide backlog in getting delivery of that equipment. The Italian team has returned to Italy and won't return until a transformer is delivered, which JEA has estimated may not be until later this year.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development

Fiscal Impact: None to City

Analyst: Clements