## ORDINANCE 2023-873

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A THIRD AMENDMENT ("AMENDMENT") TO THE INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND JEA DATED MARCH 22, 2016; REQUESTING EMERGENCY PASSAGE UPON INTRODUCTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City and JEA have previously entered into that certain Interagency Agreement dated March 22, 2016, as authorized by 2015-764-E, as amended by that certain First Amendment to Interagency Agreement dated February 28, 2019, as authorized by 2018-747-E, as amended by that certain Second Amendment to Interagency Agreement dated August 18, 2022, as authorized by 2021-118-E (collectively, the "Agreement"), to provide funding in part for City water and sewer projects as set forth in the Agreement and as codified in Chapter 751, Ordinance Code; and

WHEREAS, the City and JEA desire to amend the Agreement to extend the term of the Agreement to December 31, 2024 and to enable JEA to provide additional nutrient credits to City to facilitate compliance with Florida Department of Environmental ("FDEP") requirements; now therefore

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

Section 1. Recitals. The recitals above are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Third Amendment to Interagency Agreement approved and execution authorized. The Third Amendment to the March

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22, 2016 Interagency Agreement by and between the City of Jacksonville and JEA (the "Amendment") sets forth the collective understanding and agreement of the City and JEA to extend the term of the Agreement from September 30, 2023 to December 31, 2024, and to enable JEA to provide additional nutrient credits to City to facilitate City's compliance with the FDEP's Lower St. John's River Basin Management Action Plan ("BMAP"). The Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the City, the Amendment, in substantially the form as attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 3. Requesting Emergency Passage Upon Introduction 21 pursuant to Council Rule 4.901. The terms of the BMAP require the City to have 106.9 Metric Tons of nutrient credit in place prior to December 31, 2023 for the reduction of nitrogen discharged into the river. Emergency passage upon introduction of this ordinance is requested to enable the City to meet this December 31, 2023 deadline.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Office of General Counsel

Form Approved:

/s/ Harry M. Wilson, IV

Legislation Prepared by: Harry M. Wilson, IV

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