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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-72

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Salem

Date of Introduction: January 28, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, R, F

Date of Analysis: January 27, 2025

Type of Action: Appropriation; waiver of Ordinance Code

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$200,000 from a General Fund Operating Designated Contingency Account to the General Fund Operating Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organizations Account. The appropriation provides grant funding to the Jacksonville Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc. ("FOP Foundation") to support various charitable and educational initiatives, including the Fallen Officer Relief Fund, training for Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) Officers, and donations to local 501(c) (3) charitable organizations. The legislation waives Section 118.107 and Subsection 118.301(a)(3)(iii) of the Ordinance Code to allow for direct contracting with FOP Foundation and for the use of grant funds to make donations to other organizations.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to appropriate \$200,000 in grant funding to the Jacksonville Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting charitable and educational endeavors that benefit law enforcement officers and the Jacksonville community. The funding will be used for: The Fallen Officer Relief Fund to provide financial relief to JSO police/correctional officers or their families impacted by illness, injury, or loss; additional training for JSO/correctional officers not covered by the agency; and for donations to local charitable organizations within Duval County. The wavier of Section 118.107 of the Ordinance Code allows the FOP Foundation to bypass the competitive award process, because of its unique mission to promote the charitable and educational pursuits of law enforcement officers in the local community. The waiver of Subsection 118.301(a)(3)(iii) permits the use of funds for contributions to other organizations. Oversight of the grant will be provided by the Grants and Contract Compliance Division of the Finance Department.

Policy Impact Area: Charitable and educational support for JSO/correctional officers.

Fiscal Impact: This bill appropriates \$200,000 from a General Fund Operating Designated Contingency Account to the General Fund Operating Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organizations Account.

Analyst: Jimenez