

1 Introduced by Council Member Gaffney, Jr. and Co-Sponsored by Council  
2 Member Johnson and amended by the Finance Committee:

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5 **ORDINANCE 2025-471-E**

6 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$125,000 FROM THE  
7 FOBT PIPELINE, INC. - CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO THE  
8 LOCAL INITIATIVE SUPPORT CORPORATION - SUBSIDIES  
9 AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIVATE ORG ACCOUNT TO  
10 PROVIDE FUNDING TO LOCAL INITIATIVES SUPPORT  
11 CORPORATION D/B/A LISC JACKSONVILLE ("LISC"),  
12 FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYMENT RE-GRANT  
13 PROGRAM (THE "PROGRAM") AS DESCRIBED HEREIN;  
14 PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER TO FISCAL YEAR  
15 2025-2026; WAIVING SECTION 118.107 (NONPROFITS  
16 TO RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH A COMPETITIVE  
17 EVALUATED AWARD PROCESS), PART 1 (GENERAL  
18 PROVISIONS), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS),  
19 *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT  
20 WITH LISC; WAIVING SUBSECTION  
21 118.301(A)(3)(III) (EXPENDITURE OF APPROPRIATED  
22 FUNDS), PART 3 (ADMINISTRATION OF CITY GRANTS),  
23 CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO  
24 ALLOW A PORTION OF THE CITY FUNDS TO BE USED FOR  
25 CONTRIBUTIONS AND DONATIONS TO OTHER GROUPS OR  
26 ORGANIZATIONS THROUGH THE PROGRAM; APPROVING,  
27 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND  
28 THE CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER  
29 ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
30 CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND LOCAL INITIATIVES  
31 SUPPORT CORPORATION D/B/A LISC JACKSONVILLE FOR

THE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE  
GRANTS AND CONTRACT COMPLIANCE DIVISION OF THE  
FINANCE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2024-2025 fiscal year,  
within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated  
sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)  
listed in subsection (b):

(The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and  
incorporated herein by this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See **Exhibit 1** \$125,000

(b) Appropriated to:

See **Exhibit 1** \$125,000

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above is an appropriation of \$125,000 from the  
FOBT Pipeline, Inc. - Contingency account to the Local  
Initiative Support Corporation - Subsidies and  
Contributions to Private Org account to provide funding to  
Local Initiative Support Corporation d/b/a LISC  
Jacksonville ("LISC") for the Small Business Employment  
Re-Grant Program (the "Program").

**Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
Section 1 is to provide City grant funds to LISC for the Program as  
described in **Revised Exhibit 2**, labeled as "Revised Exhibit 2, Rev  
Term Sheet & Budget, August 5, 2025 - Finance" attached hereto and  
incorporated herein by this reference. The Program is designed to  
assist small and micro-businesses in Duval County by providing  
reimbursable employment grants to qualified entities to address  
capital gaps often experienced by small businesses. Specifically, the

1 grant funds are intended to provide business growth and expansion  
2 opportunities via retention and creation of new jobs and will be  
3 awarded in amounts that range from \$5,000 to \$20,000 per subrecipient.  
4 LISC will act as the lead agency administering the Program to oversee  
5 the grant application, scoring and award process as outlined in  
6 **Revised Exhibit 2**. In addition, LISC will ensure each subrecipient  
7 seeking reimbursement for qualified expenses under the Program has  
8 provided the appropriate documentation and justification of  
9 expenditures reflecting adherence to applicable City Codes and  
10 policies, as well as appropriate contract terms, prior to requesting  
11 funds from the City for reimbursement.

12 **Section 3. Carryover.** The funds appropriated herein  
13 shall not lapse but shall carryover to fiscal year 2025-2026.

14 **Section 4. Waiver of Section 118.107, Ordinance Code.** The  
15 provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through  
16 a competitive evaluated award process), Part 1 (General Provisions),  
17 Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, are hereby waived to allow  
18 for a direct contract with Local Initiatives Support Corporation  
19 d/b/a LISC Jacksonville. LISC is uniquely situated to administer this  
20 Program because it has a long history of working with small and  
21 micro-businesses.

22 **Section 5. Waiver of Subsection 118.301(a)(3)(iii),**  
23 **Ordinance Code.** Subsection 118.301(a)(3)(iii) (Expenditure of  
24 appropriated funds), Part 3 (Administration of City Grants), Chapter  
25 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, is hereby waived to allow a portion  
26 of the City funds to be used for contributions and donations to other  
27 groups or organizations through the Program. This waiver is justified  
28 because the City funds will be allocated to qualified small and  
29 micro-businesses through a competitive grant process for employment  
30 programs/employee costs. This provides an opportunity for targeted  
31 distribution of City funds to help grow small businesses by creating

1 and maintaining jobs in Duval County.

2       **Section 6.       Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is  
3 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation  
4 Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of  
5 the City an agreement with Local Initiatives Support Corporation  
6 d/b/a LISC Jacksonville in an amount not-to-exceed \$125,000, subject  
7 to the Scope of Services and Budget more particularly described in  
8 **Revised Exhibit 2**, for a term commencing on June 1, 2025 through May  
9 31, 2026, and all other contracts and documents, including extensions,  
10 renewals and amendments to the agreement, and to otherwise take all  
11 action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Ordinance, subject  
12 to appropriate legal review and approval by the General Counsel, or  
13 his or her designee, and the City's Risk Management Division for  
14 appropriate insurance and indemnification requirements in accordance  
15 with Section 128.601, *Ordinance Code*.

16       **Section 7.       Oversight Department.** The Grants and Contract  
17 Compliance Division of the Finance Department shall oversee the grant  
18 described herein.

19       **Section 8.       Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
20 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
21 without the Mayor's signature.

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23 Form Approved:

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25 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

26 Office of General Counsel

27 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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