

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2026-2-E**

5 AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AND/OR
6 DISCLAIMING AN OPENED AND IMPROVED PORTION OF
7 JOHN STREET, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF SIMMONS
8 ADDITION TO SOUTH JACKSONVILLE, AS RECORDED IN
9 PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 12, OF THE CURRENT PUBLIC
10 RECORDS OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA, LOCATED IN
11 COUNCIL DISTRICT 5, AT THE REQUEST OF LAXMI
12 PARTNERSHIP, SUBJECT UNTO RESERVATION TO CITY
13 AND JEA OF A NON-EXCLUSIVE ALL-UTILITIES,
14 FACILITIES, AND ACCESS EASEMENT ON, OVER, UNDER,
15 THROUGH, AND ACROSS THE CLOSURE AREA; PROVIDING
16 FOR APPROVAL SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS; PROVIDING AN
17 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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19 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

20 **Section 1. Closure and Abandonment.** An opened and improved
21 portion of John Street, as shown on the Plat of Simmons Addition to
22 South Jacksonville, as recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 12, of the
23 current public records of Duval County, Florida, located in Council
24 District 5, a depiction and description of which is attached hereto
25 as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby
26 closed and abandoned and/or disclaimed at the request of Laxmi
27 Partnership (the "Applicant"), subject unto reservation to City and
28 JEA of a non-exclusive all-utilities, facilities, and access easement
29 on, over, under, through, and across the closure area.

30 The Applicant has paid the closure application fee of \$2,091.00
31 and this sum has been deposited into the City's General Fund. This

1 closure request was reviewed and approved by the various city, state,
2 and utility agencies that might have an interest in the right-of-way
3 and there were no objections to the Applicant's request.

4 **Section 2. Purpose.** The Applicant owns the fee parcel
5 where the closure area is located (R.E. No. 081915-0000) and has
6 requested this closure for the purpose of developing the San Marco
7 East Hotel.

8 **Section 3. Hold Harmless Covenant.** The closure and
9 abandonment by the City of its interests in the right-of-way is
10 subject to Applicant's execution and delivery to the City of a Hold
11 Harmless Covenant, in substantially the same form attached hereto as
12 **Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by this reference. Accordingly, the
13 closure and abandonment of the right-of-way shall not be recorded in
14 the public records until execution and delivery to the City by the
15 Applicant of the required Hold Harmless Covenant.

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

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20 Form Approved:

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22 /s/ Harry M. Wilson, IV

23 Office of General Counsel

24 Legislation Prepared By: Harry M. Wilson, IV

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