

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2022-716

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

Date of Introduction: September 27, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: September 29, 2022

Type of Action: Approval of economic development agreement; authorizing REV grant; designation of oversight agency; affirming compliance with Public Investment Policy; request for 2- reading approval

Bill Summary: The bill approves execution of an economic development agreement between the City and JAX LNG, LLC for the expansion of a liquified natural gas facility located at 9225 Dames Point Road on the Northside. It authorizes a Recapture Enhanced Value grant of up to \$5,300,000 and designates the Office of Economic Development as the City's oversight agency for the project. The bill affirms that the incentive complies with the City's Public Investment Policy and requests that it be approved on a fast-track basis on second reading.

Background Information: JAX LNG operates a natural gas liquefaction plant and storage facility near Jaxport's Dames Point Terminal and proposes to expand the plant's capacity with a private capital investment of \$113,000,000 and to create 10 new full-time jobs at an average salary of \$70,000 per year by December 2027. The REV grant is based on 50% of the increase in property taxes generated by the expansion for 10 years, which requires a minimum capital investment of \$80 million and the creation of the 10 new jobs.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development

Fiscal Impact: Authorizes a REV grant of up to \$5.3 million

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