

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-0377

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Bowman

Date of Introduction: June 13, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: Finance, NCSPHS, TEU

Date of Analysis: June 15, 2023

Type of Action: Appropriation of funds for traffic improvements, requesting emergency passage, providing oversight division.

Bill Summary: The bill allocates \$2,845,370.37 from twelve public works projects that are at or nearing completion, to the Hodges & Glen Kernan Boulevard Improvements Project. This funding is for intersection and traffic signal facilities improvements along Hodges Boulevard near J. Turner Butler Boulevard. The City of Jacksonville plans to enter into a cost-sharing agreement in which it will reimburse the developer for 50% of the costs related to the design, engineering, permitting, construction, and inspection of the traffic signal improvements, based on the Engineer's Opinion of Probable Cost (EOPC). Additionally, the City will fully reimburse the developer for design, engineering, permitting, construction, and inspection of the traffic signal improvements, based on the EOPC. concerning intersection improvements.

Background Information: The Developer, Hodges Properties I, LLC, in conjunction with Glen Kernan Park LLC and Gate Petroleum Company, plans to convert a 50+/- acre parcel at the western corner of Hodges/JTB into a comprehensive residential community, complete with retail and commercial spaces. The primary entrance will be at Hodges and the existing median opening opposite Windsor Commons, which currently does not have a traffic signal. The City has previously recognized the need to install a traffic signal at this intersection to improve traffic flow and safety.

Among the twelve public works projects at or nearing completion, eleven have been confirmed by engineers as completed and are no longer in need of the allocated funds. The pavement markings project is a continuously funded project that Public Works has identified as being capable of appropriating these funds without any disruption to services.

Policy Impact Area: Traffic and safety improvements

Fiscal Impact: \$2,845,370.37 appropriated from 12 public works projects at or near completion

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