

LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEETDATE: 08/07/25BT or RC No: BT 25-117
(Administration & City Council Bills)SPONSOR: Office of Administrative Services/Environmental Quality Division/Environmental Protection Board
(Department/Division/Agency/Council Member)Contact for all inquiries and presentations: James RichardsonProvide Name: James RichardsonContact Number: 904-255-7213Email Address: jrichard@coj.net

PURPOSE: White Paper (Explain Why this legislation is necessary? Provide; Who, What, When, Where, How and the Impact.) Council Research will complete this form for Council introduced legislation and the Administration is responsible for all other legislation.
(Minimum of 350 words - Maximum of 1 page.)

To appropriate fund balance from the Environmental Protection Fund to continue a joint project with Jacksonville University to produce an annual report regarding the health of the river. This funding will support the eighteenth edition of the annual report. A waiver of ordinance code sections 111.755 and 360.602 is being requested to allow the use of the Environmental Protection Fund for continued funding of the State of the River Reports. A waiver of Section 110.112 Ordinance Code is needed as the initial payment is contemplated before the project completion. A waiver of Section 118.107 is needed in order to allow for a direct contract with JU without competitive evaluated award. An exception to Section 126.107(g), Ordinance Code, is also being requested for the procurement of supplies or services, as the Agreement is with Jacksonville University.

APPROPRIATION: Total Amount Appropriated: \$112,962.00 as follows:List the source name and provide Object and Subobject Numbers for each category listed below:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in title of legislation)

Name of Federal Funding Source(s):	From:	Amount:
	To:	Amount:
Name of State Funding Source(s):	From:	Amount:
	To:	Amount:
Name of City of Jacksonville Funding Source(s):	From: Environmental Protection Fund - Fund Balance	Amount: \$112,962.00
	To: Environmental Protection Fund - Fund Balance	Amount: \$112,962.00
Name of In-Kind Contribution(s):	From:	Amount:
	To:	Amount:
Name & Number of Bond Account(s):	From:	Amount:
	To:	Amount:

PLAIN LANGUAGE OF APPROPRIATION / FINANCIAL IMPACT / OTHER:

Explain: Where are the funds coming from, going to, how will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame? Will there be an ongoing maintenance? ... and staffing obligation? Per Chapters 122 & 106 regarding funding of anticipated post-construction operation costs.

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The funding will come from the Environmental Protection Fund for project. The project will be completed with no general fund contribution.

ACTION ITEMS: Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

ACTION ITEMS:	Yes	No	
Emergency?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Justification of Emergency: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of emergency. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Federal or State Mandate?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Explanation: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of mandate including Statute or Provision. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Fiscal Year Carryover?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Note: If yes, note must include explanation of all-year subfund carryover language. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
CIP Amendment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate CIP form(s). Include justification for mid-year amendment.
Contract / Agreement Approval?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Attachment & Explanation: If yes, attach the Contract / Agreement and name of Department (and contact name) that will provide oversight. Indicate if negotiations are on-going and with whom. Has OGC reviewed / drafted? <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">The Office of Administrative Services will provide oversight</div>
Related RC/BT?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate RC/BT form(s).
Waiver of Code?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Waive 111.755 and 360.602 to allow for the continuation funding. Waive 110.112 to allow for the advance of City funds as the initial payment is before the completion of the project. Waive 118.107 to allow for a direct contract to JU without a competitive evaluated award process.</div>
Code Exception?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify code in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Legislation will be specifically for Jacksonville University to provide services. For this reason, an exception to Section 126.107(g), Ordinance Code (supplies or services to be provided by those specifically prescribed within authorizing legislation that appropriates the same), is required.</div>
Related Enacted Ordinances?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Code Reference: If yes, identify related code section(s) and ordinance reference number in the box below and provide detailed explanation and any changes necessary within white paper. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Ordinance 2008-1059-E, Ordinance 2010-441, Ordinance 2013-138, Ordinance 2015-773, 2019-252, 2022-219, 2023-205 and 2024-622.</div>

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED: Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

ACTION ITEMS:	Yes	No	
Continuation of Grant?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Explanation: How will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame and/or multi-year? If multi-year, note year of grant? Are there long-term implications for the General Fund? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
Surplus Property Certification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate form(s).

Reporting Requirements? ☒ ☐

Explanation: List agencies (including City Council / Auditor) to receive reports and frequency of reports, including when reports are due. Provide Department (include contact name and telephone number) responsible for generating reports.
Report is to provided to the JEPB by October 2025 in order to be released at the annual Environmental Symposium.

BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE

Pursuant to Section 166.041(4), F.S., the City is required to prepare a Business Impact Estimate for ordinances that are **NOT** exempt from this requirement.

A list of ordinance exemptions are provided below. Please check all exemption boxes that apply to this ordinance. If an exemption is applicable, a Business Impact Estimate IS NOT required.

- ☐ The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- ☐ The ordinance relates to procurement;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement any of the following:
 - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
 - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code;
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code. ☐

If none of the boxes above are checked, then a Business Impact Estimate **IS REQUIRED** to be prepared by the using agency/office/department and submitted in the MBRC filing packet along with the memorandum request, legislative fact sheet, etc. A Business Impact Estimate form can be found at:

<https://www.coj.net/departments/finance/budget/mayor-s-budget-review-committee>

Division Chief: _____
(signature)

Date: _____

Prepared By: _____
(signature)

Date: _____

ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSMITTAL

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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation.

Independent Agency Action Item:

Boards Action / Resolution?

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate documentation. If no, when is board action scheduled?

JEPB meeting summary is attached

FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED

Business Impact Estimate

This form must be posted on the City of Jacksonville's website by the time notice of the proposed ordinance is published.

Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

18th Annual State of the River Report

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare):

To appropriate fund balance from the Environmental Protection Fund to continue a joint project with Jacksonville University to produce an annual report regarding the health of the river. This funding will support the eighteenth edition of the annual report which provides information related to the health and safety of county residents.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the City of Jacksonville, if any: (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur; (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and (c) An estimate of the City of Jacksonville's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

No impact.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed

None.

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

None.