Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:

ORDINANCE 2025-316

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET FOR THE DUVAL COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER; ADOPTING RECOMMENDED FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS FOR THE DUVAL COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER'S FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET; REQUESTING ONE CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 195.087, Florida Statutes, the Duval County Property Appraiser (the "Property Appraiser") is required to submit his or her budget on or before June 1 of each year to the State of Florida Department of Revenue for the ensuing fiscal year beginning October 1; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 106.201, Ordinance Code, the Mayor is required to submit the final annual budget proposal for the consolidated City of Jacksonville, inclusive of the Property Appraiser's budget, to the City Council prior to the first City Council Committee meeting in July; and

WHEREAS, during the weeks following the Mayor's submittal of the final annual budget proposal for the general government, the City Council Finance Committee reviews said budget for the consolidated government, including the annual budget of the Property Appraiser, as is required by Section 5.07 of the City of Jacksonville Charter; and

WHEREAS, therefore the City's review of the Property
Appraiser's budget occurs simultaneously with the Department of
Revenue's review; and

WHEREAS, although there is a provision for the Department of

Revenue to include the City of Jacksonville's modifications to the Property Appraiser's budget, if any, that information must be received from the City Council, acting as the whole Council, prior to the Florida Department of Revenue tentatively approving the Property Appraiser's budget, or alternatively subject to an appeal process; and

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WHEREAS, the City Council, in acknowledgement of this schedule, desires to review the Property Appraiser's budget, as will be presented to the Department of Revenue, in advance of the Mayor's submittal of the final annual budget proposal; now therefore

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

Section 1. Property Appraiser's Budget Review. The City Council is in receipt of the Property Appraiser's budget for fiscal year 2025-2026, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

Section 2. Adoption of Recommended Findings and Conclusions. The Council has reviewed and considered the Property Appraiser's budget along with the input and recommendations from the Finance Department and the Chief Administrative Officer of the Mayor. The recommended findings and conclusions are hereby adopted and shall be forwarded to the Department of Revenue to be considered by same in tentatively approving the Duval County Property Appraiser's fiscal year 2025-2026 budget.

Section 3. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency. One cycle emergency passage of this legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is to allow the City Council to complete its review of the Property Appraiser's fiscal year 2025-2026 budget in a timely fashion to ensure the Property Appraiser can meet the June 1 deadline by which her budget must be submitted to the Department of Revenue.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective

without the Mayor's signature.

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/s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

Office of General Counsel

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