## CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2019-647

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Bowman

**Date of Introduction:** September 10, 2019

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

**Date of Analysis:** September 10, 2019

**Type of Action:** Appropriation and designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill is an appropriation of \$144,032 from the Loblolly Wetlands Mitigation fund to provide funding for capital improvements to parks. The appropriated funds will not lapse but carryover to subsequent fiscal years, and must be committed before June 30, 2020. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services will oversee the project.

**Background Information:** The purpose of this legislation is to provide funding for capital improvements to parks, equally in each of the 14 Council districts, in accordance with Section 111.780, *Ordinance Code*. Expenditures made pursuant to this appropriation will comply with the applicable provisions of Section 106.315 (District Council Expenditures), *Ordinance Code*, which states that such funds be utilized for recreation or public works capital outlay. The funding derives from the City's sale of wetlands mitigation credits from the Loblolly Mitigation Fund, created in the early 2000's to provide the needed credits for Better Jacksonville Plan projects.

**Policy Impact Area:** Capital improvements-parks

**Fiscal Impact:** Appropriation of \$144,032

**Analyst:** Hampsey