

1 Introduced by Council Member Salem:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2025-606**

5 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER
6 DESIGNEE, THE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL AND THE
7 CORPORATION SECRETARY, TO TAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE
8 TAKEN, SUCH ACTIONS AND TO EXECUTE SUCH
9 DOCUMENTS AS ARE NECESSARY, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF
10 THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, TO ACCEPT THE
11 THIRTEENTH AMENDED JOINT CHAPTER 11 PLAN OF
12 REORGANIZATION OF PURDUE PHARMA L.P. AND ITS
13 AFFILIATED DEBTORS DATED MARCH 19, 2025;
14 REQUESTING ONE CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE;
15 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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17 **WHEREAS,** the City of Jacksonville has suffered harm from the
18 opioid epidemic and further recognizes that the entire State of
19 Florida has suffered harm from the opioid epidemic; and

20 **WHEREAS,** the City of Jacksonville was a litigating participant
21 in the action styled In re: National Opioid Litigation, MDL No. 2804
22 (N.D. Ohio) (the "Opioid Litigation") and sued Purdue Pharma L.P. for
23 damages stemming from the opioid epidemic; and

24 **WHEREAS,** the City of Jacksonville is a participant in the State
25 of Florida's unified plan for the allocation and use of opioid
26 settlement proceeds (the "Florida Plan") pursuant to which the City
27 has received millions of dollars in settlement funds; and

28 **WHEREAS,** Purdue Pharma L.P. and its affiliated debtors filed for
29 Chapter 11 bankruptcy (the "Bankruptcy") after being sued in the
30 Opioid Litigation; and

31 **WHEREAS,** the City of Jacksonville holds an eligible claim in the

1 Bankruptcy; and

2 **WHEREAS**, Purdue Pharma L.P. and its affiliated debtors are
3 soliciting votes from eligible claim holders to accept or reject
4 their Thirteenth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization of
5 Purdue Pharma L.P. and its Affiliated Debtors dated March 19, 2025
6 (the "Plan"); and

7 **WHEREAS**, if the City of Jacksonville accepts the Plan, the City
8 will receive settlement funds from the Bankruptcy through the Florida
9 Plan; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the purpose of this Ordinance is to provide the
11 necessary authorizations for the City of Jacksonville to accept the
12 Plan; now therefore

13 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

14 **Section 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The above recitals
15 are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

16 **Section 2. Authorization to Accept the Plan and Execute**
17 **Documents.** The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, or her
18 designee, the Office of General Counsel and the Corporation Secretary
19 to take, or cause to be taken, for and on behalf of the City, such
20 actions as are necessary to accept the Thirteenth Amended Joint
21 Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization of Purdue Pharma L.P. and its
22 Affiliated Debtors dated March 19, 2025, a copy of which is **On File**
23 with the Legislative Services Division. This authorization shall
24 include, but is not limited to, authorization to execute documents,
25 in whatever form they may take, as are necessary to effectuate the
26 intent of this Ordinance without further action by the City Council.

27 **Section 3. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**
28 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this
29 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that counsel
30 representing the City in the Opioid Litigation must submit a Master
31 Ballot vote on behalf of the City to accept the Plan on or before

1 September 5, 2025.

2 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
3 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
4 without the Mayor's signature.

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6 Form Approved:

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8 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

9 Office of General Counsel

10 Legislation Prepared By: Tiffiny Pinkstaff

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