

Introduced by Council Member Lahnen:

**ORDINANCE 2025-641**

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$600,000 FROM THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL SAN PABLO PARKWAY - DM OTHER CONSTRUCTION COSTS ACCOUNT TO THE VETERANS COMMUNITY CENTER - DM ENGINEERING AND DESIGN ACCOUNT, TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF A NEW VETERANS COMMUNITY CENTER; AMENDING THE 2025-2029 FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN APPROVED BY ORDINANCE 2024-505-E TO REFLECT THIS APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE PROJECT ENTITLED "TRAFFIC SIGNAL SAN PABLO PARKWAY" TO THE PROJECT ENTITLED "VETERANS COMMUNITY CENTER"; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2024-2025 fiscal year, within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

(The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See **Exhibit 1** \$600,000

(b) Appropriated to:

See **Exhibit 1** \$600,000

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

1           The funding above represents an appropriation of \$600,000  
2           from the Traffic Signal San Pablo Parkway - DM Other  
3           Construction Costs account to the Veterans Community Center  
4           - DM Engineering and Design account to provide funds for  
5           engineering and design of a Veterans Community Center.

6           **Section 2.           Purpose.**   The purpose of the appropriation in  
7           Section 1 is to provide funds for initial planning and design of a  
8           new Community Center that will operate as a recreational facility  
9           focused on providing programs and services for Duval County's veteran  
10          population. The funds are being appropriated from the Traffic Signal  
11          San Pablo Parkway project which was completed under budget and will  
12          be used to pay the costs for engineering and design of the Veterans  
13          Community Center, including site surveys, engineering drawings and  
14          build-out design.

15          **Section 3.           Capital Improvement Plan Amendment.**   Ordinance  
16          2024-505-E, adopting the 2025-2029 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan  
17          (the "CIP") for the City and certain of its independent agencies, is  
18          hereby amended to reflect the appropriation of funds from the project  
19          entitled "Traffic Signal San Pablo Parkway" to the project entitled  
20          "Veterans Community Center" (the "Project"), as more fully described  
21          in the Project Information Sheets attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and  
22          incorporated herein by this reference. The City Council finds that  
23          the deferral of this amendment of the CIP until the next annual budget  
24          and CIP review will be detrimental to the best interests of the  
25          community because such deferral will unnecessarily delay initiation  
26          of the Project.

27          Pursuant to Section 122.605(c), *Ordinance Code*, enactment of  
28          this Ordinance requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the  
29          City Council members present at the meeting because of the CIP  
30          amendment set forth in this Section. This Ordinance shall constitute  
31          an amendment to Ordinance 2024-505-E. In all other respects, the

Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan approved by Ordinance 2024-505-E shall remain unchanged and continue in full force and effect.

**Section 4. Oversight.** The Public Works Department shall have oversight of the Project described herein.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/Mary E. Staffopoulos

Office of General Counsel

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