CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2020-114

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 11, 2020

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, TEU, F

Date of Analysis: February 10, 2020

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$72,298.00 from the Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund for a Level 3 Tree Planting project adjacent to Sulzbacher Village Apartments, as initiated by B.T. 20-040; approves and authorizes the Mayor or his designee, and Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver on behalf of the City, the Tree Planting Program Level 3 Grant Agreement between the Public Trust Environmental Legal Institute and the City of Jacksonville; and provides for oversight by the Mowing and Landscape Division of the Department of Public Works.

Background Information: Sulzbacher Center offers several options for people experiencing homelessness or people at-risk of becoming homeless to find permanent housing placement. Sulzbacher Village Apartments is a low-income housing community that provides permanent and short term emergency housing for single women or women with families. The complex has a female veterans unit and a medical respite unit for women requiring follow-up care upon release from local hospitals.

This project will enhance the apartment's canopy and overall design. Palms and large shade trees will be planted along city-maintained roads. There are no expectations of any problems with existing utilities with the growth of trees. The location has a history of past tree plantings with long lifespans and needs healthy trees.

Policy Impact Area: Sulzbacher Village Apartments, tree planting

Fiscal Impact: The appropriation of \$72,298.00, as initiated by B.T. 20-040.

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