Introduced by the Special Committee on Duval DOGE (Council Members Salem, J. Carlucci, Arias, Gay and Miller):

## ORDINANCE 2025-391

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO CAPITAL PROJECTS;

PROVIDING THAT PROJECT BALANCES FROM CERTAIN

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS IDENTIFIED HEREIN

BE CLOSED TO AN ACTIVITY ENTITLED "COUNCIL

CONTINGENCY - DOGE" AND PROHIBITING THE TRANSFER

OF FUNDS FROM SAID CAPITAL PROJECTS EXCEPT TO

THE COUNCIL CONTINGENCY - DOGE ACTIVITY UPON

PROJECT COMPLETION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Special Committee on Duval DOGE (the "DOGE Committee") was created on March 17, 2025, and charged with the following tasks: (1) to analyze recent growth in City Departments and programs to identify areas for potential savings, (2) to evaluate services provided to identify areas for potential savings, (3) to consider implementing a budget lapse while being mindful of potential service impacts; and (4) other matters as identified by the DOGE Committee; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with its charge, the DOGE Committee requested the Council Auditor's Office complete a review of the City's Capital Improvement Plan (the "CIP") to ascertain the status of the various projects outlined in the CIP; and

WHEREAS, as part of this review, the Council Auditor's Office identified projects that were marked as closed per the City's Transparency Dashboard and those without actual expenditures since prior to October 1, 2023, and worked with City Departments to determine if the projects were complete and should be "closed"; and

WHEREAS, the DOGE Committee is recommending these projects be closed to an activity entitled "Council Contingency - DOGE" for future appropriation by the City Council and that transfers of any balances from the enumerated list of projects be prohibited; now therefore

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

Section 1. Providing for Project Balances to be Closed to the "Council Contingency - DOGE" Activity and Prohibiting Transfers Except to Said Activity. The DOGE Committee, in coordination with the Council Auditor's Office and various City Departments, has identified certain capital improvement projects as listed on Exhibit 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (each individually, a "Project" and collectively, the "Projects"), that are able to be closed with unexpended funds remaining. In accordance with the recommendation of the DOGE Committee, the City Council hereby directs that any residual funding remaining in any Project be transferred upon Project completion to an Activity entitled "Council Contingency - DOGE" for future appropriation by the City Council. Funds which originated from Discretionary Council Projects or from the Special Council Reserve shall be returned to those accounts of origin. The transfer of funds as authorized under Chapter 106, Ordinance Code, from any Project is expressly prohibited except to the Council Contingency - DOGE Activity, the Discretionary Council Projects, or the Special Council Reserve, as applicable.

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

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