Introduced by the Council President pursuant to Chapter 380, Ordinance Code:

## ORDINANCE 2023-797

AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS; APPROVING THE APPLICATION OF GASTON TREE DEBRIS RECYCLING, L.L.C. FOR RENEWAL OF ITS CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (CON) TO OPERATE A YARD TRASH RECYCLING FACILITY ("FACILITY") WITH A MODIFICATION TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE FACILITY ONTO AN ADJACENT PARCEL; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS OF SAID RENEWAL; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 380, Ordinance Code, Gaston Tree Debris Recycling, L.L.C. (the "Applicant") has applied for renewal of its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CON) for the continued operation of a yard trash recycling facility (the "Facility") located at 7405 Philips Highway, Jacksonville, Florida 32256, R.E. Parcel No. 152581-0000 (the "Property") with a modification to allow for the expansion of the Facility onto a parcel adjacent to the Property and located at 0 Cypress Plaza Drive, R.E. Parcel No. 152578-1030; and

WHEREAS, the initial CON authorizing operation of a yard trash recycling facility at the Property was granted by Ordinance 2012-293-E; and

WHEREAS, based upon the determination of need for the Facility by the City Council, the Solid Waste Division of the Department of Public Works supports approval of the application for renewal and modification of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

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for Gaston Tree Debris Recycling, L.L.C., provided the Applicant agrees to accept and comply with the Specific Operating Conditions contained in Exhibit 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has caused a public hearing, properly noticed, to be held before the Council Committee to which matters regarding public utilities are referred, as required by Chapter 380, Ordinance Code, and has made certain findings with respect to said application; now therefore

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

Making Findings. Based upon the criteria set Section 1. forth in Section 380.105, Ordinance Code, and the comments and recommendations of the Director of the Planning and Development Department, the Chief of the Solid Waste Division, the Chief of the Environmental Quality Division, and the Florida Department of Health in Duval County, the Council finds that the Facility would serve the public convenience and provide a needed service to the citizens of Duval County.

Section 2. Renewal and Modification of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CON) Granted. In accordance with Chapter 380, Ordinance Code, the City of Jacksonville hereby grants renewal and modification of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CON) to Gaston Tree Debris Recycling, L.L.C. for the continued operation of a yard trash recycling facility and the expansion of such facility onto the adjacent parcel located at O Cypress Plaza Drive, R.E. Parcel No. 152578-1030.

Section 3. Conditions. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity shall be subject to the conditions set forth in the "Gaston Tree Debris Recycling, LLC Yard Trash Recycling Facility Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Specific Operating Conditions" attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The comments and

recommendations of the appropriate representatives from the Public Works Department, the Planning and Development Department, the Neighborhoods Department Environmental Quality Division, and the Florida Department of Health are attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by this reference. A copy of the CON Monthly Waste Analysis Report form is attached hereto as **Exhibit 3**.

Section 4. 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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## 13 /s/ Joelle J. Dillard

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