

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2024-493

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

**Date of Introduction:** June 25, 2024

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

**Date of Analysis:** June 27, 2024

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates a Florida Defense Infrastructure Grant of \$500,000 to support the City's Encroachment Protection/Compatible Land Use Program to prevent incompatible developments adjacent to military bases in the county. The Military Affairs and Veterans Department is designated as the administration entity for the grant.

**Background Information:** The state grant funding is utilized along with U.S. Department of Defense funding to purchase development easement rights for properties around Navy bases and airfields in the city (Naval Station Mayport, NAS Jacksonville and Outlying Field Whitehouse). The development rights easements are acquired from willing sellers and secure the bases and airfields from encroachment issues around the airfield and minimize community concerns regarding aircraft noise, pilot safety and mission effectiveness. No local grant match is required.

**Policy Impact Area:** Military base protection

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates a \$500,000 state grant with no local match.

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