

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2026-460

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

**Date of Introduction:** May 26, 2026

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

**Date of Analysis:** May 27, 2026

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; authorize positions; provide for oversight; waive Section 106.303, *Ordinance Code*.

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$4,360,470.00 in grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security through the Florida Division of Emergency Management to the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD) to enhance regional preparedness and capabilities in designated high-threat, high-density areas, as initiated by BT 26-069. It authorizes positions, as initiated by RC 26-111. The bill provides for oversight by the JFRD. It waives the provisions of Section 106.303, *Ordinance Code*, to allow modification of the Appropriation of Funds Exhibit to facilitate compliance with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

**Background Information:** The purpose of the appropriation is to provide \$4,360,470.00 in Urban Area Security Initiative (USAI) grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security through the Florida Division of Emergency Management to the JFRD to enhance the capabilities and capacity of the Jacksonville Metropolitan Statistical Area (Duval, St. Johns, Nassau, Baker, and Clay counties) to prevent, respond to, and recover from a terrorist act. The grant period is from September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2028. No local match is required.

**Policy Impact Area:** Urban Area Security Initiative (USAI), emergency preparedness

**Fiscal Impact:** This bill appropriates \$4,360,470.00 in USAI grant funding. No local match is required.

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