LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET

DATE: **11/15/<u>21</u>** BT or RC No: **N/A**

(Administration & City Council Bills)
SPONSOR: Office of Economic Development
(Department/Division/Agency/Council Member
Contact for all inquiries and presentations: Office of Economic Development
Provide Name: Ed Randolph, Director of Business Development Contact No: 255-5450
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PURPOSE: White Paper (Explain why this legislation is necessary. Provide, who, what, when where, how and the impact.) Council Research will complete this form for Council introduced legislation and the Administration is responsible for all other legislation. (Minimum of 350 words – Maximum of 1 page)
Cenntro Automotive, a New Jersey-based manufacturer of all electric commercial vehicles for
applications ranging from logistics and delivery to maintenance, warehouses, airports and port logistics,
$\underline{is\ evaluating\ Jackson ville\ to\ establish\ their\ first\ US-based\ manufacturing\ facility.\ The\ proposed\ operation}$
would include approximately \$25 million in new capital investment, \$20 million of which would come in
the form of new manufacturing equipment. The company would create a minimum of 34 new jobs, at an
average wage of \$52,000. Cenntro would utilize JAXPORT to handle the import of a large amount of the
materials used for the production of their vehicles, as well as the export of some of their finished
vehicles.
The City is proposing to offer a 5 year 50% REV Grant, based on the proposed investment in machinery
and equipment, and the addition of 34 new jobs, by the end of 2023. The REV Grant would be capped at
<u>\$450,000.</u>
The Company has stated that City of Jacksonville incentives is a material factor in its decision to expand
its operation here in Jacksonville, as opposed to one of a few other cities they are scouting across the
<u>US.</u>
APPROPRIATION: Total Amount Appropriated <u>\$0</u> as follows: List the source <u>name</u> and provide Object
and Subobject Numbers for each category listed below:
(Name of Fund as it will appear in the title of the legislation)
Name of Federal Funding Source(s)
From: Amount:
To: Amount:
Name of State Funding Source(s)
From: Amount:
To: Amount:

Contract/Agreement Approval? YesX No
Attachment & Explanation: If yes, attach the Contract/Agreement & provide name of the Department
and include contact name and telephone number of the person r that will provide oversight. Indicate if
negotiations are on-going and with whom. Has OGC reviewed/drafted? OED will provide oversight and
administration.
Related RC/BT? Yes No X If yes, attach appropriate RC/BT form(s)
Waiver of Code? Yes X No
Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in space below & provide detailed explanation (including
impacts) within white paper. The proposed city incentives in the legislation do not meet the criteria
set forth in the city's Public Investment Policy (Res. 2016-382-E), so it will need to be waived.
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Code Exception: Yes No_X Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in space below & provide detailed explanation (including
impacts) within white paper.
impacts/ within write paper.
Related Enacted Ordinances? Yes No X
Code Reference: If yes, identify related code section(s) and ORD reference number in the space below &
provide detailed explanation and any changes necessary within whitepaper.
ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED: Purpose/Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification
and code provisions for each.
ACTION ITEMS:
Continuation of Grant? Yes No X
Explanation: How will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a
specific time frame and/or multi-year? If multi-year, note year of grant. Are there long-term
implications for the General Fund?
Surplus Property Certification? Yes No X Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate form(s)
Reporting Requirements? Yes No X
Explanation: List agencies (including City Council/Auditor) to receive reports and frequency of reports,
including when reports are due. Provide name of the Department and include contact name and
telephone number of the person responsible for generating.
Director BD: Date: 11/15/21
(Signature)
Prepared By: Date: 11/15/21
(Signature)

To:	MBRC, Budget Office, St. James Bldg., Suite 325
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approv	tion from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board ing the legislation
muepe	ndent Agency Action Item: Board(s) Action/Resolution? Yes No X
Attachi	ment: If yes, attach appropriate documentation. If no, when is board action scheduled?

FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED