

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2026-207

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Clark-Murray

**Date of Introduction:** March 10, 2026

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

**Date of Analysis:** March 11, 2026

**Type of Action:** Appropriation, agreement authorization, CIP amendment and designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill is an appropriation of \$355,000 from the Jax Recreation & Environmental Land Acquisition Fund - Investment Pool Earnings account to the McDuff Avenue Park project - Land Acquisition Cost account. The Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City and Kevin Thigpen and William Taylor is authorized. The 2026-2030 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan is amended to reflect funding for the project. The Real Estate Division of the Department of Public Works shall oversee the acquisition of the Property, and the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services shall provide oversight of the Property.

**Background Information:** The purpose of this legislation is to provide funds for the purchase of six (6) properties located at 0 McDuff Avenue North (R.E. Nos. 056005-0000, 056006-0000, 056007-0000), 957 McDuff Avenue North (R.E. No. 056008-0000), 961 McDuff Avenue North (R.E. No. 056009-0000), and 971 McDuff Avenue North (R.E. No. 056010-0000), Jacksonville, Florida, in Council District 9. The purchased parcels will be for the City's use as additional passive park space near Westbrook Center and Park.

**Policy Impact Area:** Parks – District 9

**Fiscal Impact:** Appropriation of \$355,000

**Analyst:** Hampsey