

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:

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4 **ORDINANCE 2026-460-E**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$4,360,470.00 IN  
6 GRANT FUNDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND  
7 SECURITY THROUGH THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF  
8 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO THE JACKSONVILLE FIRE  
9 AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT ENHANCE REGIONAL  
10 PREPAREDNESS AND CAPABILITIES IN DESIGNATED  
11 HIGH-THREAT, HIGH-DENSITY AREAS, AS INITIATED BY  
12 B.T. 26-069; AUTHORIZING POSITIONS, AS INITIATED  
13 BY R.C. 26-111; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE  
14 JACKSONVILLE FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT; WAIVING  
15 THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 106.303 (FORMAT AND  
16 DETERMINATION OF AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED), SUBPART  
17 A (GENERAL PROVISIONS), PART 3 (APPROPRIATIONS),  
18 CHAPTER 106 (BUDGET AND ACCOUNTING CODE),  
19 *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW MODIFICATION OF THE  
20 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS EXHIBIT TO FACILITATE  
21 COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE  
22 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT; PROVIDING AN  
23 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

26 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2025-2026 fiscal year,  
27 within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated  
28 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)  
29 listed in subsection (b):

30 (B.T. 26-069 attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by  
31 this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See B.T. 26-069 \$4,360,470.00

(b) Appropriated to:

See B.T. 26-069 \$4,360,470.00

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above comprises \$4,360,470.00 in Urban Area Security Initiative ("UASI") grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security through the Florida Division of Emergency Management to the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department to enhance regional preparedness and capabilities in designated high-threat, high-density areas.

**Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 is to provide \$4,360,470.00 in UASI grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security through the Florida Division of Emergency Management to the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department 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. A copy of the award notification email is attached hereto as

**Exhibit 2.** A copy of the Federally Funded Subaward and Grant Agreement, agreement number R1397, outlining the terms and conditions relative to the grant and use of the grant funds has been placed **On File** with the Legislative Services Division. The grant period is from September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2028. No local match is required.

**Section 3. Authorization of Positions.** There are hereby authorized the positions more fully described in R.C. 26-111, attached hereto as **Exhibit 3** and incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 4. Oversight.** The Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department shall oversee administration of the grant and shall provide

oversight of the project described herein.

**Section 5. Waiving the Provisions of Section 106.303, Ordinance Code.** Section 106.303 (Format and determination of amounts appropriated), Subpart A (General Provisions), Part 3 (Appropriations), Chapter 106 (Budget and Accounting Code), *Ordinance Code*, is hereby waived. This waiver is necessary to allow the modification of the Appropriation of Funds Exhibit to be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1, in order to facilitate compliance with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. B.T. 26-069 in the form authorized pursuant to Ordinance 2015-428-E and reflecting the Mayor's approval can be found on file with the Budget Office.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

Office of General Counsel

Legislation Prepared By: Ashley Smith

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