

1 Introduced by Council Member J. Carlucci and Co-Sponsored by Council  
2 Members Arias, Amaro, Gay, Gaffney, Jr., Johnson, Miller and  
3 Clark-Murray:  
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6 **ORDINANCE 2024-165-E**

7 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE  
8 FAÇADE RENOVATION GRANT PROGRAM APPROVED AS PART  
9 OF THE PUBLIC INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE OFFICE OF  
10 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE THAT GRANT  
11 MATCHING DOLLARS WILL NOT BE REQUIRED WHEN A  
12 CITY-APPROVED JACKSONVILLE SMALL AND EMERGING  
13 BUSINESS ("JSEB") IS RETAINED BY AN ELIGIBLE  
14 BUSINESS AND COMPLETES THE FAÇADE RENOVATION  
15 WORK AND TO INCREASE THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF CITY  
16 FUNDING THAT MAY BE PROVIDED IN LEVEL 1 AND LEVEL  
17 2 AREAS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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19 **WHEREAS,** the City Council approved a revised Public Investment  
20 Policy of the Office of Economic Development by adoption of Ordinance  
21 2016-382-E, which has most recently been amended by Ordinance  
22 2022-726-E; and

23 **WHEREAS,** the Public Investment Policy includes a Façade  
24 Renovation Grant Program (the "Program") to be administered by the  
25 Office of Economic Development which targets economically distressed  
26 areas of the City; and

27 **WHEREAS,** the Program guidelines provide that eligible  
28 businesses seeking funding must strive to utilize City-approved  
29 Jacksonville Small and Emerging Businesses ("JSEBs") for façade  
30 renovation work associated with the Program; and

31 **WHEREAS,** the City Council desires to further encourage the use

1 of JSEBs throughout the City by modifying the Program criteria to  
2 eliminate the requirement for a grant recipient to provide matching  
3 dollars when a JSEB is retained and completes the façade renovation  
4 work; and

5 **WHEREAS,** the Council also acknowledges that the costs for  
6 materials and labor to complete façade and other types of improvements  
7 contemplated by the Program have increased and desires to further  
8 modify the Program guidelines to increase the City funding amount  
9 authorized in Level 1 and Level 2 Areas; now therefore

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

11 **Section 1. Approval of Amendment to Façade Renovation Grant**  
12 **Program of the Public Investment Policy.** The City Council hereby  
13 approves and authorizes an amendment to the Façade Renovation Grant  
14 Program provisions of the Public Investment Policy of the Office of  
15 Economic Development as outlined in **Exhibit 1**, attached hereto and  
16 incorporated herein by this reference. Except as specifically  
17 provided herein, there are no other changes or amendments to the  
18 Program or the Public Investment Policy approved by Ordinance  
19 2016-382-E, as amended.

20 **Section 2. Oversight Department.** The Office of Economic  
21 Development shall continue to have oversight of the Program as  
22 described herein.

23 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
24 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
25 without the Mayor's signature.

26 Form Approved:

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28           /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

29 Office of General Counsel

30 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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