

Introduced by Council Member Johnson:

**ORDINANCE 2025-325**

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$100,000 FROM THE GRANT APPLICATION SOLUTION - CAPITAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ACCOUNT WITHIN THE IT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FUND TO THE SPECIAL EVENTS NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVES - TRUST FUND AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES ACCOUNT WITHIN THE SPECIAL EVENTS TRUST FUND, TO MAKE CITY FUNDS AVAILABLE TO OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS REGISTERED WITH THE NEIGHBORHOODS DEPARTMENT TO OFFSET REGISTRATION FEES AND OTHER EXPENSES TO ATTEND THE NEIGHBORHOODS USA 50<sup>TH</sup> GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN JACKSONVILLE ON MAY 20 - 23, 2025; PROVIDING FOR REVERTER OF FUNDS TO THE GENERAL FUND SPECIAL COUNCIL CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE NEIGHBORHOODS DEPARTMENT; REQUESTING ONE CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2024-2025 fiscal year, within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

(The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See **Exhibit 1** \$100,000

(b) Appropriated to:

See **Exhibit 1** \$100,000

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above is an appropriation of \$100,000 from the Grant Application Solution - Capital Professional Services account within the IT System Development Fund to the Special Events Neighborhood Initiatives - Trust Fund Authorized Expenditures account within the Special Events Trust Fund, to make City funds available to officially recognized neighborhood organizations in Jacksonville that are registered with the Neighborhoods Department to offset registration and other fees associated with attendance at the Neighborhoods USA ("NUSA") 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Anniversary and Annual Conference in Jacksonville (the "2025 NUSA Conference").

**Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 is to make City funds available to officially recognized neighborhood organizations in Jacksonville to offset registration and other fees required to attend the NUSA 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Anniversary and Annual Conference which will be held in Jacksonville on May 20 - 23, 2025. Neighborhoods USA is a national, non-profit organization created in 1975 for the purpose of building and strengthening neighborhood organizations. The NUSA Conference is hosted annually to facilitate the development of partnerships among neighborhood organizations, government and the private sector with a goal of strengthening every neighborhood. The funds appropriated herein will allow neighborhood organizations throughout Jacksonville to participate in the NUSA Conference for access to meaningful workshops, national networking opportunities and sharing of best practices.

**Section 3. Reverter.** Any funds that are not utilized for

1 the purpose of covering the costs of recognized Jacksonville  
2 neighborhood organizations' attendance at the 2025 NUSA Conference  
3 shall be returned to the General Fund Special Council Contingency  
4 account.

5 **Section 4. Oversight Department.** The Neighborhoods  
6 Department shall oversee the project described herein.

7 **Section 5. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**  
8 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this  
9 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that the  
10 2025 NUSA Conference is scheduled to begin on May 20, 2025, and the  
11 Council would like to make these funds available as soon as  
12 practicable to cover the costs of recognized Jacksonville  
13 neighborhood organizations' attendance at the 2025 NUSA Conference.

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

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18 Form Approved:

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20 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

21 Office of General Counsel

22 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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