

1 Introduced by Council Member Salem:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2024-475**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$310,713.50 FROM THE  
6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S DESIGNATED CONTINGENCY TO  
7 THE MENTAL HEALTH OFFENDER PROGRAM (“MHOP”) TO  
8 PAY FOR CONTRACTUAL SERVICES BY I.M. SULZBACHER  
9 CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS, INC. (“SULZBACHER”) FOR  
10 THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF A JAIL DIVERSION  
11 PROGRAM FOR MENTALLY ILL OFFENDERS THROUGH THE  
12 MHOP; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER TO SEPTEMBER 30,  
13 2025; APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR  
14 HER DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION SECRETARY TO  
15 EXECUTE AND DELIVER A SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN  
16 THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND I.M. SULZBACHER  
17 CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS, INC. FOR THE PROVISION  
18 OF SERVICES FOR THE MHOP; WAIVING SECTION  
19 118.107 (NONPROFITS TO RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH  
20 A COMPETITIVE EVALUATED AWARD PROCESS), PART 1  
21 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS),  
22 *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT  
23 WITH SULZBACHER; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE  
24 GRANTS AND CONTRACT COMPLIANCE DIVISION;  
25 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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27 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

28 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2023-2024 fiscal year,  
29 within the City’s budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated  
30 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)  
31 listed in subsection (b):

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

3 (a) Appropriated from:

4 See attached **Exhibit 1** \$310,713.50

5 (b) Appropriated to:

6 See attached **Exhibit 1** \$310,713.50

7 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

8 The funding above represents an appropriation of  
9 \$310,713.50 from the Council President's Designated  
10 Contingency to procure contractual services from I.M.  
11 Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc. ("Sulzbacher")  
12 for the continued operation of a jail diversion program  
13 for mentally ill offenders through the Mental Health  
14 Offender Program ("MHOP").

15 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
16 Section 1 is to provide City funds to procure contractual services  
17 from I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc. for the continued  
18 operation of a jail diversion program for mentally ill offenders  
19 through the Mental Health Offender Program.

20 **Section 3. Carryover.** The funds appropriated herein shall  
21 not lapse but shall carryover to September 30, 2025.

22 **Section 4. Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is  
23 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation  
24 Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver, a Services  
25 Contract between the City of Jacksonville and I.M. Sulzbacher Center  
26 for the Homeless, Inc., subject to the terms, conditions and budget  
27 outlined in **Exhibit 2**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by  
28 this reference, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$310,713.50 for a term  
29 commencing on July 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, for the  
30 continued provision of services for the Mental Health Offender  
31 Program, and all other contracts and documents, including extensions,

1 renewals and amendments to the agreement, and to otherwise take all  
2 action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Ordinance, subject  
3 to appropriate legal review and approval by the General Counsel, or  
4 his designee, and the City's Risk Management Division for appropriate  
5 insurance and indemnification requirements in accordance with Section  
6 128.601, *Ordinance Code*.

7       **Section 5. Waiver of Section 118.107, Ordinance Code, to**  
8 **Allow for a Direct Contract with I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the**  
9 **Homeless, Inc.** The provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to  
10 receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process), Part  
11 1 (General Provisions), Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*,  
12 are hereby waived to allow for a direct contract between I.M.  
13 Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc., and the City of Jacksonville  
14 for Sulzbacher's continued oversight and management of the jail  
15 diversion program for mentally ill offenders through the MHOP. This  
16 waiver is justified because Sulzbacher has successfully operated the  
17 jail diversion program since the inception of the MHOP as a nine-month  
18 pilot project.

19       **Section 6. Oversight.** The Grants and Contract Compliance  
20 Division of the Finance Department shall oversee the project described  
21 herein.

22       **Section 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
23 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
24 without the Mayor's signature.

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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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