

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2026- 382

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** May 12, 2026

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

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

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; carryover; waiver of Sections 111.755 and 360.602, *Ordinance Code*; amend Ordinance 2025-504-E

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$45,000 from the Environmental Protection Fund to fund education outreach activities, as well as food and beverage, travel, supplies, training, dues, and membership fees for Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board members and staff, as initiated by BT 26-065. It provides for carryover to FY 2026-2027.

The bill waives Section 111.755 of the Ordinance Code to authorize the use of funds for food and beverage, travel, supplies, training dues, and membership fees for Board members and staff. It waives Section 360.602 to allow for the utilization of funds for education outreach activities for Board members and staff as well. Ordinance 2025-504-E is amended by amending Attachment A to authorize expenditure of these funds on food and beverages for special events and activities.

**Background Information:** The appropriation funds various education and outreach activities, such as Clean Air Day, Aquafest Water Festival, and Envirofest, as well as food and beverage, travel, supplies, training, dues, and membership fees for Board members and staff. These activities will support environmental education and outreach, providing the public with information on the rules set by the Board to enforce provisions of local, state, and federal legislation. Activities will also enhance the public's ability to protect and conserve natural resources. During its meeting on March 16, 2026, the Board approved this expenditure.

**Policy Impact Area:** Environmental Protection Board

**Fiscal Impact:** This bill appropriates \$45,000 as initiated by BT 26-065.

**Analyst:** Russell