

1 Introduced by Council Member Gaffney, Jr. and Co-Sponsored by Council
2 Member Johnson:

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5 **ORDINANCE 2026-451-E**

6 AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE GRANT AGREEMENT
7 BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND LOCAL
8 INITIATIVES SUPPORT CORPORATION D/B/A LISC
9 JACKSONVILLE ("LISC") FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS
10 EMPLOYMENT RE-GRANT PROGRAM (THE "PROGRAM")
11 ORIGINALLY APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE
12 2025-471-E; AMENDING ORDINANCE 2025-471-E TO
13 AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN
14 THE CITY AND LISC FOR A TERM COMMENCING ON
15 JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND
16 AMENDING REVISED EXHIBIT 2 (LISC TERM SHEET AND
17 BUDGET) TO EXTEND THE GRANT TERM TO EXPIRE ON
18 DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND TO REFLECT THE PROGRAM
19 SHALL TARGET BUSINESSES WITH UP TO \$750,000 IN
20 ANNUAL REVENUE; REQUESTING ONE CYCLE EMERGENCY
21 PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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23 **WHEREAS**, on August 12, 2025, the City Council enacted Ordinance
24 2025-471-E to appropriate \$125,000 to Local Initiatives Support
25 Corporation d/b/a LISC Jacksonville ("LISC") for the Small Business
26 Employment Re-Grant Program (the "Program") and authorized execution
27 of a grant agreement with LISC for said Program, subject to the Term
28 Sheet and Budget appended as Revised Exhibit 2 to the enacted
29 legislation; and

30 **WHEREAS**, Ordinance 2025-471-E and the associated Term Sheet and
31 Budget provided that the grant term would begin on June 1, 2025 and

1 continue through May 31, 2026, and further that the Program would
2 target businesses with an annual revenue of up to \$400,000; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the City and LISC have not yet executed the grant
4 agreement and LISC has requested the grant term be extended to
5 December 31, 2026, to allow additional time for execution of the
6 agreement and administration of the Program, and has further requested
7 that the Term Sheet be modified to provide that the Program will
8 target businesses with up to \$750,000 in annual revenue; now therefore

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

10 **Section 1. Amending Ordinance 2025-471-E to Extend the**
11 **Grant Term as Authorized Herein.** Ordinance 2025-471-E, approving and
12 authorizing execution of a grant agreement between the City of
13 Jacksonville and LISC for the Program, is hereby amended to authorize
14 execution of a grant agreement for a term commencing on January 1,
15 2026 through December 31, 2026, and to replace the Term Sheet and
16 Budget appended to said legislation with the Term Sheet and Budget
17 attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this
18 reference. The Term Sheet and Budget attached hereto have been
19 revised to reflect a revised grant term commencing on January 1, 2026
20 through December 31, 2026, and provides that the Program will target
21 businesses with up to \$750,000 in annual revenue, with all other
22 terms and conditions remaining the same.

23 **Section 2. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**
24 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this
25 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that the
26 City Council would like to ensure LISC is able to proceed with the
27 Program, subject to the revised grant term and revised Term Sheet and
28 Budget authorized herein.

29 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
30 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
31 without the Mayor's signature.

1 Form Approved:

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3 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

4 Office of General Counsel

5 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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