

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:

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4 **ORDINANCE 2026-578**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF
6 \$479,997.00 FROM THE HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES
7 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO
8 TRINITY RESCUE MISSION, INC. ("TRINITY") TO
9 RENOVATE ITS DAY CENTER AND PROVIDE DAY SERVICES
10 TO INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN
11 DUVAL COUNTY AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED
12 HEREIN; INVOKING THE EXEMPTION IN SECTION
13 126.108(G) (EXEMPTIONS FROM COMPETITIVE
14 SOLICITATION), PART 1 (GENERAL REGULATIONS;
15 ETHICS AND TRANSPARENCY IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING),
16 CHAPTER 126 (PROCUREMENT CODE), *ORDINANCE CODE*,
17 TO ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT WITH TRINITY;
18 WAIVING SECTION 118.107 (NONPROFITS TO RECEIVE
19 FUNDING THROUGH A COMPETITIVE EVALUATED AWARD
20 PROCESS), PART 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), CHAPTER
21 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR
22 A DIRECT CONTRACT WITH TRINITY; APPROVING, AND
23 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE
24 CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ON
25 BEHALF OF THE CITY, AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
26 CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND TRINITY; PROVIDING FOR
27 OVERSIGHT BY THE JACKSONVILLE FIRE AND RESCUE
28 DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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30 **WHEREAS**, the Homelessness Initiatives Commission ("HIC") has
31 recommended funding certain projects from the Homelessness

1 Initiatives Special Revenue Fund (the "Fund") as set forth in the
2 2025-2026 Homelessness Reduction Plan adopted by the HIC, including
3 improvements to, and the support of the ongoing operations for
4 individuals experiencing homelessness at, the day center (the "Day
5 Center") operated by Trinity Rescue Mission, Inc. ("Trinity"); and

6 **WHEREAS,** the City now desires to provide an amount not to
7 exceed \$479,997.00 in funding on a reimbursement basis to offset the
8 costs of certain capital improvements to the Day Center and provide
9 operational capacity at its Day Center for fifty-five individuals
10 experiencing homelessness as set forth in the Term Sheet and Budget
11 attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this
12 reference, including reconfiguring the indoor and outdoor spaces to
13 improve safety and comfort at the Day Center, equipping and furnishing
14 the Day Center, and providing daily activities, essential services
15 such as meals and showers, case management services, advocacy
16 services, and computer resources at the Day Center; and

17 **WHEREAS,** in accordance with Ordinance 2026-139-E, any
18 projects, programs, or initiatives in excess of \$100,000.00 being
19 funded by disbursements from the Fund require prior City Council
20 approval; now therefore

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

22 **Section 1. Approval of Funding from Homelessness**
23 **Initiatives Special Revenue Fund.** The City Council hereby approves
24 the disbursement of up to \$479,997.00 from the Homelessness
25 Initiatives Special Revenue Fund, to provide funding to Trinity Rescue
26 Mission, Inc. ("Trinity") to offset costs of increased capacity at
27 the Day Center operated by Trinity as more specifically described in
28 the Term Sheet and Budget attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.

29 **Section 2. Invoking the Exemption in Section 126.108(g),**
30 **Ordinance Code.** The City is hereby authorized to directly procure
31 the professional services of Trinity to provide services to

1 individuals experiencing homelessness within its existing Day Center
2 as described herein. Pursuant to Section 126.108(g) (Exemptions from
3 competitive solicitation), Part 1 (General Regulations; Ethics and
4 Transparency in Public Contracting), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code),
5 *Ordinance Code*, such procurement is exempted from competitive
6 solicitation because the supplies or services are to be provided by
7 those specifically prescribed within authorizing legislation. With
8 the exception of the foregoing, all other provisions of Chapter 126,
9 *Ordinance Code*, shall remain in full force and effect.

10 **Section 3. Waiver of Section 118.107, *Ordinance Code*.** The
11 provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through
12 a competitive evaluated award process), Part 1 (General Provisions),
13 Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, are hereby waived to allow
14 for direct contracts with Trinity. This waiver is justified because
15 Trinity has extensive experience providing day services to
16 individuals living unsheltered and are the most familiar with
17 providing a safe, structured environment where those individuals can
18 access needed resources. Trinity has provided the Affidavit of
19 Disclosure required by subsection 118.107(b)(2), *Ordinance Code*,
20 attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** to accompany this waiver.

21 **Section 4. Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is
22 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation
23 Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of
24 the City an agreement with Trinity in an amount not-to-exceed
25 \$479,997.00, subject to the Term Sheet and Budget attached hereto as
26 **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this reference, with a term
27 commencing on October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027, and with
28 one option to renew with respect to continued Day Center operations
29 for a period of one year subject to future appropriation, and all
30 other contracts and documents, including extensions, renewals and
31 amendments to the agreement, and to otherwise take all action

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

6 **Section 5. Oversight Department.** The Jacksonville Fire and
7 Rescue Department shall oversee the project described herein.

8 **Section 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
9 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
10 without the Mayor's signature.

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12 Form Approved:

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14 /s/ Joelle Dillard

15 Office of General Counsel

16 Legislation Prepared By: Joelle J. Dillard

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