

1 Introduced by Council Member Gaffney, Jr.:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2026-451**

5 AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE GRANT AGREEMENT
6 BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND LOCAL
7 INITIATIVES SUPPORT CORPORATION D/B/A LISC
8 JACKSONVILLE ("LISC") FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS
9 EMPLOYMENT RE-GRANT PROGRAM (THE "PROGRAM")
10 ORIGINALLY APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE
11 2025-471-E; AMENDING ORDINANCE 2025-471-E TO
12 AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN
13 THE CITY AND LISC FOR A TERM COMMENCING ON
14 JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND
15 AMENDING REVISED EXHIBIT 2 (LISC TERM SHEET AND
16 BUDGET) TO EXTEND THE GRANT TERM TO EXPIRE ON
17 DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND TO REFLECT THE PROGRAM
18 SHALL TARGET BUSINESSES WITH UP TO \$750,000 IN
19 ANNUAL REVENUE; REQUESTING ONE CYCLE EMERGENCY
20 PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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22 **WHEREAS**, on August 12, 2025, the City Council enacted Ordinance
23 2025-471-E to appropriate \$125,000 to Local Initiatives Support
24 Corporation d/b/a LISC Jacksonville ("LISC") for the Small Business
25 Employment Re-Grant Program (the "Program") and authorized execution
26 of a grant agreement with LISC for said Program, subject to the Term
27 Sheet and Budget appended as Revised Exhibit 2 to the enacted
28 legislation; and

29 **WHEREAS**, Ordinance 2025-471-E and the associated Term Sheet and
30 Budget provided that the grant term would begin on June 1, 2025 and
31 continue through May 31, 2026, and further that the Program would

1 target businesses with an annual revenue of up to \$400,000; and

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

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

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

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

28 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
29 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
30 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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