

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2026-32-E**

5 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY TO
6 THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT (FIND)
7 FOR 2026 GRANTS TO UNDERTAKE SPECIFIED
8 WATERWAYS-RELATED PROJECTS; AUTHORIZING THE
9 MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION
10 SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ALL GRANT
11 AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY AND FIND, AS WELL AS
12 ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SUCH GRANTS;
13 ACKNOWLEDGING WILLINGNESS TO MEET FUNDING
14 REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CITY OVERSIGHT BY
15 THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND
16 COMMUNITY SERVICES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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18 **WHEREAS**, the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND)
19 solicits grant applications from counties within its jurisdiction to
20 undertake waterways-related projects; and

21 **WHEREAS**, FIND grant applications must be accompanied by
22 legislation acknowledging a county's willingness to meet the matching
23 funding requirements; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community
25 Services has compiled and recommends several grant projects for
26 submission to FIND; and

27 **WHEREAS**, the Jacksonville Waterways Commission approved the
28 recommended projects at its meeting on November 12, 2025; now
29 therefore

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

31 **Section 1. Recitals.** The recitals above are true and

1 correct and incorporated herein by reference.

2 **Section 2. Approved Projects.** The 2026 FIND grant projects
3 recommended by the Parks, Recreation and Community Services
4 Department listed on **Exhibit 1**, attached hereto and incorporated
5 herein by this reference (the "Projects"), are approved for submission
6 to the Florida Inland Navigation District for purposes of receiving
7 such grants. The Projects are: Downtown Dredging - Construction
8 (Council Districts 1, 5 and 7); Sisters Creek Dock Extension and
9 Bathhouse - Construction (Phase 1) (Council District 2); and T.K.
10 Stokes Boat Ramp Bulkhead - Design (Council District 10), as more
11 particularly described in **Exhibit 2**, attached hereto and incorporated
12 herein by this reference. The three grant Projects total \$6,380,000.
13 A total of \$2,900,000 is reimbursable from FIND and the City's match
14 totals \$3,480,000, inclusive of internal engineering fees.

15 **Section 3. Authorization.** The Mayor, for and on behalf of
16 the City, is hereby authorized to apply for the Florida Inland
17 Navigation District grants for funding of the Projects.

18 **Section 4. Execution authorized.** The Mayor, or her
19 designee, and the Corporation Secretary are hereby authorized to
20 execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the City, all grant
21 agreements, including any grant agreement extensions, for the
22 Projects between the City and FIND, as well as any and all documents
23 related to such grants.

24 **Section 5. Acknowledging Willingness to Match Funding.** The
25 City of Jacksonville is willing to meet FIND's matching funding
26 requirements as they relate to the Projects described in **Exhibit 1**.
27 Copies of FIND's Attachment E-5 (Resolution for Assistance 2026 under
28 the Florida Inland Navigation District Waterways Assistance Program)
29 for each of the Projects are attached hereto as **Exhibit 3** and
30 incorporated herein by this reference.

31 **Section 6. Oversight Department.** The Parks, Recreation and

1 Community Services Department shall oversee the Projects.

2 **Section 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
3 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
4 without the Mayor's signature.

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6 Form Approved:

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8 /S/ Joelle J. Dillard

9 Office of General Counsel

10 Legislation Prepared By: Joelle J. Dillard

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