

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2025-190

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Freeman

**Date of Introduction:** March 11, 2025

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

**Date of Analysis:** March 10, 2025

**Type of Action:** Appropriation

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$10,000,000 from General Fund Operating Reserves to the UF Health Capital Improvements – Other Construction Costs account to provide funding for the City’s contribution to Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc. for the construction of the UF Health Jacksonville Leon L. Haley, Jr., MD, Emergency Department and Trauma Center (the "Haley Center"). The appropriation is authorized by Ordinance 2023-147-E and amends the 2025-2029 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan, originally approved by Ordinance 2024-505-E, to reflect the allocation of these funds. The Public Works Department will oversee the project.

**Background Information:** The purpose of this legislation is to allocate funding to Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc. for the development of the Haley Center, a new emergency department and trauma center within UF Health Jacksonville. The City has a long-standing agreement with Shands regarding capital improvements and maintenance of City-owned medical facilities. The project was previously approved in Ordinance 2023-147-E, contingent upon future funding appropriations. This bill fulfills that funding obligation. The City intends to replenish the General Fund Operating Reserves used for this appropriation in the fiscal year 2025-2026 budget through funds received from the annual JEA contribution, as specified in Section 21.07 of the Jacksonville City Charter.

**Policy Impact Area:** Hospital facility improvements

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates \$10,000,000 from General Fund Operating Reserves. The City plans to replenish these reserves in the next fiscal year using JEA contributions.

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