

Introduced by Council Member Diamond and Co-Sponsored by Council  
Members Freeman, Carrico and Miller and four times amended on the  
Floor of Council:

**ORDINANCE 2025-138-E**

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS IN  
DUVAL COUNTY; REQUIRING A REPORT BY THE MAYOR,  
OR HER DESIGNEE, PERTAINING TO: (1) FEDERAL  
GRANTS, (2) DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION  
PRACTICES AND POLICIES, (3) HOUSING OF  
UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS, AND (4) ALL FISCAL YEAR  
2024-2025 BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES, IN  
WHATEVER FORM, ON OR TO NON-PROFIT ENTITIES;  
AMENDING SECTION 118.106 (GRANTS FOR ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT, CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES  
CONTRACTS EXEMPT), PART 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS),  
CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO  
CREATE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF  
CHAPTER 118, *ORDINANCE CODE*, FOR GRANTS TO THE  
STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, DUVAL  
COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, THAT WOULD LIMIT THE  
PROVISION OF ANY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE BY SAID  
ENTITY TO ANY PERSON WHICH PROTECTS PEOPLE IN  
DUVAL COUNTY FROM THE SPREAD OF INFECTIOUS  
DISEASE(S); AMENDING SECTION 118.201 (RELEASE OF  
APPROPRIATIONS), PART 2 (DISBURSEMENT OF CITY  
GRANTS), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE  
CODE*, TO PROVIDE THAT ANY APPROPRIATIONS MADE  
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 118 SHALL BE RELEASED AND

DISBURSED WITH A CONDITION THAT ANY RECIPIENT SHALL BE PROHIBITED FROM KNOWINGLY USING SUCH FUNDS FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT SUCH PROHIBITION SHALL NOT APPLY TO AGREEMENTS FOR MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY SHANDS JACKSONVILLE MEDICAL CENTER, INC. ("SHANDS") OR TO PROGRAMS OR SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, LABOR TRAFFICKING, AND/OR SEX TRAFFICKING, OR FOR INDIVIDUALS ACTIVELY SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES MILITARY, OR FOR PREGNANT WOMEN; AMENDING SECTION 118.609 (RESTRICTIONS FOR USE OF CULTURAL SERVICE GRANTS), SUBPART A (CULTURAL SERVICE GRANT PROGRAM), PART 6 (CULTURAL SERVICE GRANTS AND ART IN PUBLIC PLACES), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO PROHIBIT THE RECIPIENT FROM KNOWINGLY USING CULTURAL SERVICE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT SUCH PROHIBITION SHALL NOT APPLY TO AGREEMENTS FOR MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY SHANDS OR TO AGREEMENTS FOR PROGRAMS OR SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, LABOR TRAFFICKING, AND/OR SEX TRAFFICKING, OR FOR INDIVIDUALS ACTIVELY SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES MILITARY, OR FOR PREGNANT WOMEN; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**Section 1. Reporting Required.** The Mayor, or her

1 designee(s), is hereby required to present a report to the City  
2 Council Finance Committee on or before June 30, 2025, as follows:

3 a) Federal Grants:

4 (1) Provide a list of all grants between the City of  
5 Jacksonville/Duval County and the federal government and  
6 any of its offices, divisions, agencies, etc. Included in  
7 the report must be a brief description of the grant, the  
8 funding entity, and information as to whether the City has  
9 received notice of any intent to withhold funds or to cease  
10 reimbursement under any grant or if the Mayor anticipates  
11 such action to occur.

12 (2) Confirmation that the City of Jacksonville is in compliance  
13 with all applicable federal and state anti-discrimination  
14 laws, rules, regulations and policies. For instances in  
15 which the City is not in compliance with a law, rule,  
16 regulation or policy, the Mayor must outline a plan and  
17 timeline to achieve compliance with such law, rule,  
18 regulation or policy.

19 b) Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Practices and Policies:

20 (1) Provide a list and explanation of any employment practices  
21 or other City policies related to application of Diversity,  
22 Equity and Inclusion ("DEI") measures. For purposes of this  
23 report, "DEI measures" shall be defined to mean:

24 i. Any employment practice established for the purpose of  
25 influencing hiring, appointment or retention of City  
26 employees or officials based on race, sex, color, or  
27 ethnicity, other than through use of color-blind and  
28 sex-neutral hiring practices; and

29 ii. Any City policy that promotes differential treatment  
30 of, or provides special benefits to, individuals on

the basis of race, sex, color, or ethnicity.

c) Housing of Unauthorized Aliens:

- (1) Information regarding the number of unauthorized aliens, if any, residing in public housing under the jurisdiction and control of the City or any of its independent agencies. The term "unauthorized alien" shall have the same meaning as found in Section 908.111, *Florida Statutes*.

d) Expenditures on Non-Profits:

- (1) Information regarding any and all budgeted and actual expenditures, in whatever form, on or to non-profit entities in fiscal year 2024-2025.

**Section 2. Amending Section 118.106 (Grants for Economic Development, Children and Youth Services Contracts Exempt), Part 1 (General Provisions), Chapter 118 (City Grants), Ordinance Code.**  
Section 118.106 (Grants for Economic Development, Children and Youth Services Contracts Exempt), Part 1 (General Provisions), Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 118 - CITY GRANTS**

**PART 1. - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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**Sec. 118.106. - Grant Contracts~~Grants~~ for Economic Development, Children and Youth Services, and Certain Public Health Services by the Duval County Health Department ~~Contracts-Exempt~~.**

Grant proposals that focus on economic development opportunities shall be processed through the Downtown Investment Authority (DIA) utilizing the application process established by the DIA and shall not be subject to this Chapter. Contracts and agreements managed by the Kids Hope Alliance under Chapter 77, Ordinance Code, shall not be subject to this Chapter. Grant funds provided to the State of Florida, Department of Health, Duval County Health Department, as

1 authorized under Chapter 29, Ordinance Code, shall not be subject to  
2 any provision of this Chapter, including but not limited to Section  
3 118.101 and subsection 118.201(f)(9), that would limit the provision  
4 of any public health service to any person which protects people in  
5 Duval County from the spread of infectious disease(s).

6       **Section 3. Amending Section 118.201 (Release of**  
7 **Appropriations), Part 2 (Disbursement of City Grants), Chapter 118**  
8 **(City Grants), Ordinance Code.** Section 118.201 (Release of  
9 Appropriations), Part 2 (Disbursement of City Grants), Chapter 118  
10 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, is hereby amended to read as follows:

11                   **CHAPTER 118 - CITY GRANTS**

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13                   **PART 2. - DISBURSEMENT OF CITY GRANTS**

14 **Sec. 118.201. - Release of Appropriations.**

15       Appropriations made pursuant to this Chapter shall be released  
16 and disbursed only subsequent to the execution by the recipient of a  
17 written agreement:

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19       (f) Consenting to:

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21       (9) A contractual provision prohibiting the recipient from  
22 knowingly using any City funds for the provision of  
23 services or support to any "unauthorized alien" as that  
24 term is defined in Section 908.111, Florida Statutes,  
25 with the exception that such prohibition shall not apply  
26 to agreements for medical services provided by Shands  
27 Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc. or to agreements for  
28 programs or services for children, victims of domestic  
29 violence, labor trafficking, and/or sex trafficking, or

for individuals actively serving in the United States  
military, or for pregnant women.

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**Section 4. Amending Section 118.609 (Restrictions for use  
of cultural service grants), Subpart A (Cultural Service Grant  
Program), Part 6 (Cultural Service Grants and Art In Public Places),  
Chapter 118 (City Grants), Ordinance Code.** Section 118.609  
(Restrictions for use of cultural service grants), Subpart A (Cultural  
Service Grant Program), Part 6 (Cultural Service Grants and Art In  
Public Places), Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, is hereby  
amended to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 118 - CITY GRANTS**

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**PART 6. - CULTURAL SERVICE GRANTS AND ART IN PUBLIC PLACES**

**SUBPART A. - CULTURAL SERVICE GRANT PROGRAM**

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**Sec. 118.609. - Restrictions for use of cultural service grants.**

- (a) Each recipient of appropriations made pursuant to Chapter 118  
is responsible for ensuring that City funds are expended  
pursuant to Section 118.301.
- (b) Cultural service grant funds must be kept in an individual bank  
account, notwithstanding the provision to the contrary in  
Section 118.201, separate from other organization funds. It may  
be an interest-bearing account, but the total amount of the  
grant and the interest must be spent by the end of the contract  
period; except that a remaining balance may be maintained in the  
cultural service grant account, notwithstanding the provision  
to the contrary in Section 118.301(a)(5). This balance must be  
identified and documented in quarterly and year end reports and  
shall not exceed \$500. This balance shall be returned to the

City within the first 90 days of the first fiscal year in which the recipient no longer receives a Cultural Service Grant appropriation. The portion of unspent funds that exceed \$500 shall follow the provisions of Section 118.301(a)(5).

(c) A recipient of cultural service grant funds shall be prohibited from knowingly using any City funds for the provision of services or support to any "unauthorized alien" as that term is defined in Section 908.111, Florida Statutes, with the exception that such prohibition shall not apply to agreements for medical services provided by Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc. or to agreements for programs or services for children, victims of domestic violence, labor trafficking, and/or sex trafficking, or for individuals actively serving in the United States military, or for pregnant women.

**Section 5. Codification Instructions.** The Codifier and the Office of General Counsel are authorized to make all chapter and division "tables of contents" consistent with the changes set forth herein. Such editorial changes and any other changes necessary to make the *Ordinance Code* consistent with the intent of this legislation are approved and directed herein, and changes to the *Ordinance Code* shall be made forthwith and when inconsistencies are discovered.

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

Form Approved:

/s/ Carla A. Lopera

Office of General Counsel

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