

1 Introduced by Council Member Gaffney, Jr. and amended by the Rules
2 Committee:

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5 **ORDINANCE 2026-263-E**

6 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$25,000 FROM THE
7 TRAFFIC CALMING - DISTRICT 08 - OTHER
8 CONSTRUCTION COSTS ACCOUNT TO THE RIVERVIEW
9 COLLECTIVE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION - SUBSIDIES
10 AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIVATE ORG ACCOUNT TO
11 PROVIDE FUNDING TO RIVERVIEW COLLECTIVE
12 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION, INC. ("RCCO") FOR THE
13 OYSTERFEST PROGRAM (THE "PROGRAM") AS DESCRIBED
14 HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER TO FISCAL YEAR
15 2026-2027; WAIVING SECTION 118.107 (NONPROFITS
16 TO RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH A COMPETITIVE
17 EVALUATED AWARD PROCESS; WAIVER AND
18 DISCLOSURES), PART 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS),
19 CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO
20 ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT WITH RCCO;
21 APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER
22 DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION SECRETARY TO
23 EXECUTE AND DELIVER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AN
24 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND
25 RIVERVIEW COLLECTIVE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION,
26 INC. FOR THE PROGRAM; AMENDING THE 2026-2030
27 FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN APPROVED BY
28 ORDINANCE 2025-505-E TO REFLECT THE
29 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE PROJECT ENTITLED
30 "TRAFFIC CALMING-DISTRICT 08"; PROVIDING FOR
31 OVERSIGHT BY THE GRANTS AND CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

DIVISION OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT; REQUESTING
ONE CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, as part of the Finance Committee’s deliberations of the
Fiscal Year 2023-2024 proposed budget, a total of \$300,000 was
allocated for Council District 8 traffic calming which consisted of
\$250,000 funded through the \$7,500,000 designated contingency
included in the Mayor’s proposed budget for City Council strategic
plan initiatives and an additional \$50,000 allocated as an enhancement
request, funded through the Special Council Contingency account; and

WHEREAS, based on feedback from the community, the District 8
Council Member now desires to reallocate a portion of the funds
originally appropriated for Council District 8 traffic calming for
the purposes set forth in this legislation; now therefore

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

Section 1. Appropriation. For the 2025-2026 fiscal year,
within the City’s budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated
sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)
listed in subsection (b):

(The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and
incorporated herein by this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See **Exhibit 1** \$25,000

(b) Appropriated to:

See **Exhibit 1** \$25,000

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above is an appropriation of \$25,000 from the
Traffic Calming - District 08 - Other Construction Costs
account to the Riverview Collective Community Organization
- Subsidies and Contributions to Private Org account to

1 provide funding to Riverview Collective Community
2 Organization, Inc. ("RCCO") for the OysterFest Program (the
3 "Program").

4 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in
5 Section 1 is to provide City grant funds to RCCO for the Program as
6 described in **Revised Exhibit 2**, labeled as "Revised Exhibit 2, Rev
7 Term Sheet & Budget, April 20, 2026 - NCSPHS" attached hereto and
8 incorporated herein by this reference. OysterFest is an education and
9 awareness event that will take place at Riverview Park along the
10 Trout River. The Program will highlight the role that oyster reef
11 restoration plays in improving water quality, restoring marine
12 habitat, and strengthening natural shoreline protection. The Program
13 will also provide opportunities for education on heirs' property to
14 assist families seeking to protect generational land and build long-
15 term community wealth. The City funds will pay Program expenses to
16 support the environmental education, oyster reef stewardship
17 activities, and heirs' property awareness programming. This will
18 include costs for equipment storage, event insurance, office and
19 other supplies, printing and advertising, publications, professional
20 services, and equipment.

21 **Section 3. Carryover.** The funds appropriated herein
22 shall not lapse but shall carryover to fiscal year 2026-2027.

23 **Section 4. Waiver of Section 118.107, Ordinance Code.** The
24 provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through
25 a competitive evaluated award process; waiver and disclosures), Part
26 1 (General Provisions), Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*,
27 are hereby waived to allow for a direct contract with Riverview
28 Collective Community Organization, Inc. This waiver is justified
29 because the OysterFest event offers multiple educational components
30 that address the unique environmental and generational challenges
31 faced by residents in the Riverview community. RCCO has provided the

1 Affidavit of Disclosure required by subsection 118.107(b)(2),
2 *Ordinance Code*, attached hereto as **Exhibit 3** to accompany this waiver.

3 **Section 5. Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is
4 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation
5 Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of
6 the City an agreement with Riverview Collective Community
7 Organization, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$25,000, subject to the
8 Scope of Services and Budget more particularly described in **Revised**
9 **Exhibit 2**, for a term commencing on April 1, 2026 through March 30,
10 2027, and all other contracts and documents, including extensions,
11 renewals and amendments to the agreement, and to otherwise take all
12 action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Ordinance, subject
13 to appropriate legal review and approval by the General Counsel, or
14 his or her designee, and the City's Risk Management Division for
15 appropriate insurance and indemnification requirements in accordance
16 with Section 128.601, *Ordinance Code*.

17 **Section 6. Capital Improvement Plan Amendment.** Ordinance
18 2025-505-E, adopting the 2026-2030 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan
19 (the "CIP") for the City and certain of its independent agencies, is
20 hereby amended to reflect the appropriation of funds from the project
21 entitled "Traffic Calming-District 08", as reflected in the Project
22 Information Sheet attached hereto as **Exhibit 4** and incorporated herein
23 by this reference. The City Council finds that the deferral of this
24 amendment of the CIP until the next annual budget and CIP review will
25 be detrimental to the best interests of the community because it will
26 prevent reallocation of the funds to an alternative Council District
27 8 community initiative.

28 Pursuant to Section 122.605(c), *Ordinance Code*, enactment of
29 this Ordinance requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the
30 City Council members present at the meeting because of the CIP
31 amendment set forth in this Section. This Ordinance shall constitute

1 an amendment to Ordinance 2025-505-E. In all other respects, the
2 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan approved by Ordinance 2025-505-E
3 shall remain unchanged and continue in full force and effect.

4 **Section 7. Oversight Department.** The Grants and Contract
5 Compliance Division of the Finance Department shall oversee the grant
6 described herein.

7 **Section 8. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**
8 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this
9 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that the
10 OysterFest event is scheduled to occur on April 18, 2026, and the
11 City Council would like to make the funds appropriated herein
12 available as soon as possible to assist with the event costs.

13 **Section 9. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
14 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
15 without the Mayor's signature.

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17 Form Approved:

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19 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

20 Office of General Counsel

21 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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