

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2022-684

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** September 13, 2022

**Committee(s) of Reference:** TEU, F

**Date of Analysis:** September 12, 2022

**Type of Action:** Appropriation, CIP amendment and designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill is an appropriation of grant funding in the amount of \$6,000,000 from the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the Beverly Hills East Septic Tank Phase-Out project. The 2022-2026 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan is amended to reflect funding for the project. The Public Works Department will provide oversight of the project and the grant.

**Background Information:** The purpose of this legislation is to provide funds to construct a new central gravity sewer system and approximately 200 sewer hookups with septic tank abandonments in the Beverly Hills East area, one of the top three areas in Jacksonville with a priority need to phase out failing septic tanks due to its location within close proximity to impaired bodies of water. There are 266 parcels in the Project area that have or could have onsite septic tanks that can be eliminated. The Project will entail construction of a new central gravity sewer system, including installation of sewer laterals in the rights-of-way to allow parcels with septic systems to connect to the new gravity system, and will also involve the on-site abandonment of septic systems for parcels with owner commitments and is anticipated to result in a reduction in nutrient pollution in the Ribault River.

**Policy Impact Area:** Beverly Hills East Septic Tank Phase-Out project

**Fiscal Impact:** Appropriation of \$6,000,000 as initiated by B.T. 22-115, no local match is required

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