

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:  
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4 **RESOLUTION 2022-834-A**

5 A RESOLUTION MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND  
6 APPROPRIATING \$50,000 FROM THE NORTHWEST OED  
7 FUND - TRANSFER FROM FUND BALANCE FOR THE  
8 PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A \$50,000 NORTHWEST  
9 JACKSONVILLE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT  
10 INITIATIVE ("SBDI") GRANT TO SPORTS ADDIX, LLC  
11 ("COMPANY"), AS INITIATED BY B.T. 23-016, IN  
12 CONNECTION WITH THE INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS AND  
13 BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE BUILDING LOCATED  
14 GENERALLY AT 1708 MARSHALL STREET TO BE MADE  
15 BY THE COMPANY; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE  
16 MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION  
17 SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER, FOR AND ON  
18 BEHALF OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, THE  
19 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN COMPANY  
20 AND THE CITY; AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF  
21 TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
22 OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ("OED");  
23 PROVIDING FOR CITY OF JACKSONVILLE OVERSIGHT  
24 BY THE OED; AFFIRMING THE PROJECT'S COMPLIANCE  
25 WITH THE NWJEDF GUIDELINES APPROVED AND  
26 ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE 2016-779-E; AFFIRMING THE  
27 PROJECT'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE PUBLIC  
28 INVESTMENT POLICY ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE 2022-  
29 372-E, AS AMENDED; REQUESTING TWO READING  
30 PASSAGE PURSUANT TO COUNCIL RULE 3.305;  
31 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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2       **WHEREAS**, Sports Addix, LCC (the "Company") has committed to  
3 create 25 permanent full-time equivalent new jobs in Jacksonville  
4 with an average salary, exclusive of benefits, of \$51,000 within 24  
5 months of disbursement of the Northwest Jacksonville Small Business  
6 Development Initiative Grant ("SBDI Grant"), and cause private  
7 capital investment in the estimated amount of \$679,000, as further  
8 described in the Project Summary attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**; and

9       **WHEREAS**, for the reasons more fully described in the Project  
10 Summary, the \$50,000 SBDI Grant in such amount serves a paramount  
11 public purpose; and

12       **WHEREAS**, the City's Office of Economic Development ("OED") has  
13 reviewed the application submitted by the Company for community  
14 development, and, together with representatives of the City,  
15 negotiated the Economic Development Agreement and, based upon the  
16 contents of the Economic Development Agreement, has determined the  
17 Economic Development Agreement and the uses contemplated therein to  
18 be in the public interest, and has determined that the public  
19 actions and financial assistance contemplated in the Economic  
20 Development Agreement take into account and give consideration to  
21 the long-term public interests and public interest benefits to be  
22 achieved by the City; and

23       **WHEREAS**, the Company has requested the City to enter into an  
24 Economic Development Agreement; now therefore,

25       **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

26       **Section 1. Findings.** It is hereby ascertained,  
27 determined, found and declared as follows:

28       (a) The recitals set forth herein are true and correct.

29       (b) The location of the Company's Project in Jacksonville,  
30 Florida, is more particularly described in the Economic Development  
31 Agreement. The Project will promote and further the public and

1 municipal purposes of the City.

2 (c) Enhancement of the City's tax base and revenues, are  
3 matters of State and City policy and State and City concern in  
4 order that the State and its counties and municipalities, including  
5 the City, shall not continue to be endangered by unemployment,  
6 underemployment, economic recession, poverty, crime and disease,  
7 and consume an excessive proportion of the State and City revenues  
8 because of the extra services required for police, fire, accident,  
9 health care, elderly care, charity care, hospitalization, public  
10 housing and housing assistance, and other forms of public  
11 protection, services and facilities.

12 (d) The provision of the City's assistance as identified in  
13 the Economic Development Agreement is necessary and appropriate to  
14 make the Project feasible; and the City's assistance is reasonable  
15 and not excessive, taking into account the needs of the Company to  
16 make the Project economically and financially feasible, and the  
17 extent of the public benefits expected to be derived from the  
18 Project, and taking into account all other forms of assistance  
19 available.

20 (e) The Company is qualified to carry out and complete the  
21 construction and equipping of the Project, in accordance with the  
22 Economic Development Agreement.

23 (f) The authorizations provided by this Resolution are for  
24 public uses and purposes for which the City may use its powers as a  
25 county, municipality and as a political subdivision of the State of  
26 Florida and may expend public funds, and the necessity in the  
27 public interest for the provisions herein enacted is hereby  
28 declared as a matter of legislative determination.

29 (g) This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of  
30 Chapters 163, 166 and 125, Florida Statutes, as amended, the City's  
31 Charter, and other applicable provisions of law.



1 Mayor or his designee. No modification of the Economic Development  
2 Agreement may increase the financial obligations or the liability  
3 of the City and any such modification shall be technical only and  
4 shall be subject to appropriate legal review and approval of the  
5 General Counsel or his or her designee and all other appropriate  
6 action required by law. "Technical" is herein defined as including,  
7 but not limited to, changes in legal descriptions and surveys,  
8 descriptions of infrastructure improvements and/or any road  
9 project, ingress and egress, easements and rights of way,  
10 performance schedules (provided that no performance schedule may be  
11 extended for more than one year without City Council approval),  
12 design standards, access and site plans which have no financial  
13 impact.

14 **Section 5. Further Authorizations.** The Mayor, or his  
15 designee, and the Corporation Secretary, are hereby authorized to  
16 execute the Economic Development Agreement and all other contracts  
17 and documents and otherwise take all necessary action in connection  
18 therewith and herewith. The Executive Director of the OED, as  
19 contract administrator, is authorized to negotiate and execute all  
20 necessary changes and amendments to the Economic Development  
21 Agreement and other contracts and documents, to effectuate the  
22 purposes of this Resolution, without further Council action,  
23 provided such changes and amendments are limited to amendments that  
24 are technical in nature (as described in Section 4 hereof), and  
25 further provided that all such amendments shall be subject to  
26 appropriate legal review and approval by the General Counsel, or  
27 his or her designee, and all other appropriate official action  
28 required by law.

29 **Section 6. Oversight Department.** The Office of Economic  
30 Development shall oversee the Project described herein.

31 **Section 7. Execution of the Economic Development**

1 **Agreement.** If the Economic Development Agreement approved by this  
2 Resolution has not been signed by the Company within ninety (90)  
3 days after the OED delivers or mails the unexecuted Economic  
4 Development Agreement to the Company for execution, then the City  
5 Council approval of the Project and authorization for the Mayor to  
6 execute the Economic Development Agreement is automatically  
7 revoked, provided however, that the Executive Director of the OED  
8 shall have the authority to extend such ninety (90) day period in  
9 writing at his discretion for up to an additional ninety (90) days.

10 **Section 8. NWJEDF Guidelines.** This Resolution conforms  
11 to the NWJEDF Guidelines adopted by City Council Ordinance 2016-  
12 779-E.

13 **Section 9. Public Investment Policy.** This Resolution  
14 conforms to the guidelines provided in the Public Investment Policy  
15 adopted by City Council Ordinance 2022-372-E, as amended.

16 **Section 10. Requesting two reading passage pursuant to**  
17 **Council Rule 3.305.** Two reading passage of this legislation is  
18 requested pursuant to Council Rule 3.305.

19 **Section 11. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become  
20 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
21 without the Mayor's signature.

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23 Form Approved:

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25 /s/ John Sawyer

26 Office of General Counsel

27 Legislation prepared by: John Sawyer

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