

1 Introduced by Council Member Freeman:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2026-265**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$675,000 FROM THE
6 JACKSONVILLE GENERAL APPRENTICESHIP ASSOCIATION
7 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO THE SUBSIDIES AND
8 CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIVATE ORG ACCOUNT TO PROVIDE
9 FUNDING TO JACKSONVILLE GENERAL APPRENTICESHIP
10 ASSOCIATION, INC. ("JGAA") TO SUPPORT
11 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS AND CERTIFICATIONS FOR
12 QUALIFIED DUVAL COUNTY RESIDENTS IN THE FIELDS
13 OF ELECTRICAL, SHEET METAL, PLUMBING AND
14 PIPEFITTING, OPERATING ENGINEERING, AND
15 CARPENTRY (COLLECTIVE, THE "PROGRAM") AS
16 DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER OF
17 FUNDS TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2027; WAIVING SECTION
18 118.107 (NONPROFITS TO RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH
19 A COMPETITIVE EVALUATED AWARD PROCESS; WAIVER
20 AND DISCLOSURES), PART 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS),
21 CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO
22 ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT WITH JGAA;
23 APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER
24 DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION SECRETARY TO
25 EXECUTE AND DELIVER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY A
26 FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF
27 JACKSONVILLE AND JGAA FOR THE PROGRAM; PROVIDING
28 FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE GRANTS AND CONTRACT
29 COMPLIANCE DIVISION OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT;
30 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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1 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

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

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

8 (a) Appropriated from:

9 See **Exhibit 1** \$675,000

10 (b) Appropriated to:

11 See **Exhibit 1** \$675,000

12 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

13 The funding above is an appropriation of \$675,000 from the
14 Jacksonville General Apprenticeship Association
15 Contingency account to the Subsidies and Contributions to
16 Private Org account to provide funding to Jacksonville
17 General Apprenticeship Association, Inc. ("JGAA") to
18 support apprenticeship and certification programs for
19 qualified Duval County residents in the fields of
20 electrical, sheet metal, plumbing and pipefitting,
21 operating engineering, and carpentry (collectively, the
22 "Program") as described herein.

23 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in
24 Section 1 is to provide funds from the City of Jacksonville to JGAA
25 for the Program as described in **Exhibit 2**, attached hereto and
26 incorporated herein by this reference. JGAA offers various
27 apprenticeship certifications, licenses and credentials through the
28 Program including electrical, sheetmetal, plumbing and pipefitting,
29 operating engineering, and carpentry. The Program offers tuition-
30 free training in these disciplines and includes job placement with
31 one of JGAA's signatory contractors. The City funds will be used to

1 defray the costs for JGAA to purchase consumable materials used by
2 Program participants in obtaining their respective certifications and
3 credentials which are nationally recognized. The City will pay a
4 maximum amount of \$2,500 for each qualified enrollee in the Program
5 all of whom must be Duval County residents.

6 **Section 3. Carryover.** The funds appropriated herein shall
7 not lapse but shall carryover to September 30, 2027.

8 **Section 4. Waiver of Section 118.107, Ordinance Code.** The
9 provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through
10 a competitive evaluated award process; waiver and disclosures), Part
11 1 (General Provisions), Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*,
12 are hereby waived to allow for a direct contract with JGAA. This
13 waiver is justified because JGAA is a local entity offering the
14 Program to provide nationally-recognized certifications, licenses and
15 credentials in a variety of skilled labor disciplines. JGAA has
16 provided the Affidavit of Disclosure required by subsection
17 118.107(b)(2), *Ordinance Code*, attached hereto as **Exhibit 3** to
18 accompany this waiver.

19 **Section 5. Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is
20 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation
21 Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of
22 the City a funding agreement with Jacksonville General Apprenticeship
23 Association, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$675,000, subject to the
24 terms and conditions more particularly described in **Exhibit 2**, for a
25 term commencing on May 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027, and all
26 other contracts and documents, including non-substantive amendments
27 to the agreement, and to otherwise take all action necessary to
28 effectuate the intent of this Ordinance, subject to appropriate legal
29 review and approval by the General Counsel, or his or her designee,
30 and the City's Risk Management Division for appropriate insurance and
31 indemnification requirements in accordance with Section 128.601,

1 *Ordinance Code.*

2 **Section 6. Oversight Department.** The Grants and Contract
3 Compliance Division of the Finance Department shall oversee the
4 agreement described herein.

5 **Section 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
6 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
7 without the Mayor's signature.

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9 Form Approved:

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11 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

12 Office of General Counsel

13 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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