

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:

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4 **ORDINANCE 2026-627**

5 AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AND/OR
6 DISCLAIMING AN UNOPENED AND UNIMPROVED PORTION
7 OF THE GATE PARKWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY, AS RECORDED IN
8 OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 19197, PAGE 687, OF THE
9 CURRENT PUBLIC RECORDS OF DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA,
10 LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 11, AT THE REQUEST
11 OF SAWMILL TIMBER, LLC, SUBJECT UNTO RESERVATION
12 TO JEA OF A NON-EXCLUSIVE ALL-UTILITIES,
13 FACILITIES, AND ACCESS EASEMENT ON, OVER, UNDER,
14 THROUGH, AND ACROSS THE CLOSURE AREA; PROVIDING
15 FOR APPROVAL SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS; PROVIDING AN
16 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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18 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

19 **Section 1. Closure and Abandonment.** An unopened and
20 unimproved portion of Gate Parkway Right-of-Way as recorded in Plat
21 Book 2, Pages 59 and 60, in Official Records Book 19197, Page 687,
22 of the current public records of Duval County, Florida, located in
23 Council District 11, a depiction and description in substantially the
24 forms placed **On File** with the Legislative Services Division and
25 incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby closed and abandoned
26 and/or disclaimed at the request of Sawmill Timber, LLC (the
27 "Applicant"), subject unto reservation unto City and JEA of a non-
28 exclusive all-utilities, facilities, and access easement on, over,
29 under, through, and across the closure area.

30 The Applicant has paid the closure application fee of \$2,091.00
31 which has been deposited into the City's General Fund. This closure

request was reviewed and approved by the various city, state, and utility agencies that might have an interest in the right-of-way and there were no objections to the Applicant's request.

Section 2. Purpose. The Applicant is the owner of the fee parcel adjacent to the closure area (R.E. No. 167741-0091 for location purposes) and seeks to redevelop the right-of-way in accordance with Stillwood Pines Boulevard Phase 2, an unrecorded right-of-way plat. Currently, the right-of-way is not improved or open as a right-of-way and is an undeveloped tract of land.

Section 3. Hold Harmless Covenant. The closure and abandonment by the City of its interests in the right-of-way is subject to Applicant's execution and delivery to the City of a Hold Harmless Covenant, in substantially the form placed **On File** with the Legislative Services Division and incorporated herein by this reference. Accordingly, the closure and abandonment of the right-of-way shall not be recorded in the public records until execution and delivery to the City by the Applicant of the required Hold Harmless Covenant.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/ Joelle Dillard

Office of General Counsel

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