

1 Co-Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor
2 and Council Members Salem and Carlucci and amended by the Committee
3 of the Whole & Co-Sponsored by Council Members Salem, Carlucci, and
4 Dennis:

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7 **ORDINANCE 2021-235-E**

8 AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE WASTEWATER SYSTEM
9 IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM; AMENDING THE 2021-2025
10 FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN APPROVED BY
11 ORDINANCE 2020-505-E TO ADD FUNDING TO THE
12 PROJECT ENTITLED "WATER/WASTEWATER SYSTEM
13 FUND" FOR SEPTIC TANK PHASE-OUT PROJECTS IN
14 FISCAL YEARS 2021-2022 AND 2022-2023;
15 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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17 **WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville established the Wastewater
18 System Improvement Program (the "Program") to promote the
19 environment and the health, safety and general welfare of the
20 inhabitants of the City and to improve surface water quality of the
21 St. Johns River and its tributaries through the elimination of on-
22 site wastewater treatment and disposal systems throughout the City;
23 and

24 **WHEREAS**, the Program is a joint initiative between the City,
25 JEA and key stakeholders in the Jacksonville area and was
26 implemented, in part, to identify various funding opportunities to
27 pay for construction of central water and wastewater treatment
28 systems throughout the city, with a priority given to those areas
29 of the city in greatest need of these services; and

30 **WHEREAS**, this Program is also designed to assist the City in

1 prioritizing projects to meet its obligations under the Basin
2 Management Action Plan (the "BMAP") for both the lower mainstream
3 of the St. Johns River and its tributaries which includes, but is
4 not limited to, removal of septic tanks that contribute pollutants
5 to existing surface water bodies; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Council desires to add funds recently
7 appropriated to the 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan (the "CIP")
8 project entitled "Water/Wastewater System Fund" to fiscal years
9 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 (CIP years 2 and 3) to fund various septic
10 tank phase-out projects; now therefore

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

12 **Section 1. Capital Improvement Plan Amendment.** Ordinance
13 2020-505-E, adopting the 2021-2025 Five-Year Capital Improvement
14 Plan for the City and certain of its independent agencies, is
15 hereby amended to add funding to the project entitled
16 "Water/Wastewater System Fund" for septic tank phase-out projects
17 in fiscal years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023, as more fully described in
18 the Project Information Sheet, attached hereto as **Revised Exhibit**
19 **1**, labeled as "Revised Exhibit 1, Rev CIP, May 19, 2021 - COW" and
20 incorporated herein by this reference. The City Council finds that
21 the deferral of this amendment of the CIP until the next annual
22 budget and CIP review will be detrimental to the best interests of
23 the community because such deferral will result in unnecessary
24 delay of projects designed to improve surface water quality by
25 removing septic tanks that are contributing pollutants to existing
26 surface water bodies and to meet the City's obligations under the
27 BMAP. Pursuant to Section 122.605(c), *Ordinance Code*, enactment of
28 this Ordinance requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the
29 City Council members present at the meeting because of the CIP
30 amendment set forth in this Section. This Ordinance shall
31 constitute an amendment to Ordinance 2020-505-E. In all other

1 respects, the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan approved by
2 Ordinance 2020-505-E shall remain unchanged and continue in full
3 force and effect.

4 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
5 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
6 without the Mayor's signature.

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8 Form Approved:

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10 /s/ Margaret M. Sidman

11 Office of General Counsel

12 Legislation prepared by: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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