Introduced by Council Member Carlucci and amended by the Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety Committee:

## 6 ORDINANCE 2024-847-E

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RESTORE ENDANGERED HISTORIC ADAPTABLE BUILDINGS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND GUIDELINES PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY ORDINANCE 2023-316-E TO SIMPLIFY THE APPLICATION PROCESS, IMPROVE PROGRAM EFFICIENCY, AND ENSURE COMPLIANCE BY ADDING AN ANNUAL REPORTING REQUIREMENT; REQUESTING ONE-CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council created the Restore Endangered Historic Adaptable Buildings ("REHAB") Special Revenue Fund by adoption of Ordinance 2023-316-E; and

WHEREAS, the REHAB Special Revenue Fund is designated to pay for the repair, rehabilitation and restoration of non-residential income-producing historic buildings in the form of a grant program (the "Program") administered by the Historic Preservation Section of the Planning and Development Department and the City's Chief Administrative Officer or their designee, in accordance with the REHAB Special Revenue Guidelines (the "REHAB Guidelines"); and

WHEREAS, the REHAB Guidelines provide the framework for administration of the Program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to further encourage the repair, rehabilitation and restoration of historic buildings throughout the City and protect the integrity of the Program by amending the REHAB Guidelines to simplify the application process,

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improve program efficiency and to add an annual reporting requirement to ensure compliance with the Rehabilitation Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Council acknowledges that several applications have already been submitted for the Program, but have not been fully processed under the current REHAB Guidelines due to incongruencies and inefficiencies that were revealed only upon the receipt and processing of those initial applications; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires that pending applications are processed without any further delay; now therefore

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

Section 1. Amending the REHAB Special Revenue The REHAB Guidelines previously approved by Ordinance Guidelines. 2023-316-E are hereby amended with the changes identified in Revised Exhibit 1, labeled as "Revised Exhibit 1, Rev Guidelines Redline, November 4, 2024 - NCSPHS." The Revised REHAB Guidelines attached hereto as Revised Exhibit 2, labeled as "Revised Exhibit 2, Rev Guidelines, November 4, 2024 - NCSPHS" are hereby placed on file with the Office of Legislative Services and on the City's website. A copy of the Revised Guidelines will also be kept with the Historic Preservation Section of the Planning and Development Department. These Revised Guidelines shall be the operative guidelines for projects funded by the REHAB Program unless and until these Guidelines are amended by Council action as provided herein.

Section 2. Requesting One-Cycle Emergency Passage Upon Introduction Pursuant to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency. A one-cycle emergency passage of this legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that several applications have already been submitted and the administrators desire to process them in a timely manner.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

Office of General Counsel

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