

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Jacksonville  
2 Transportation Authority (JTA) and Co-Sponsored by Council Member  
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6 **ORDINANCE 2025-95-E**

7 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE JACKSONVILLE  
8 TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (JTA) FISCAL YEAR  
9 2023-2024 BUDGET; AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-504-E  
10 (THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BUDGET ORDINANCE) BY  
11 AMENDING REVISED SCHEDULE O (ESTIMATED OPERATING  
12 REVENUES) AND REVISED SCHEDULE P (OPERATING  
13 EXPENDITURES) TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL  
14 REVENUES TO OFFSET INCREASED OPERATING EXPENSES  
15 EXCEEDING THE APPROVED JTA BUDGET FOR FISCAL  
16 YEAR 2023-2024; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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18 **WHEREAS**, Ordinance 2023-504-E, which included the 2023-2024  
19 Fiscal Year Operating and Capital budgets for the Jacksonville  
20 Transportation Authority (JTA), was enacted by Council on September  
21 26, 2023; and

22 **WHEREAS**, a copy of Revised Schedule O (JTA Estimated Operating  
23 Revenues) and Revised Schedule P (JTA Operating Expenditures)  
24 approved by Ordinance 2023-504-E is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**; and

25 **WHEREAS**, after a review of operating expenses for Fiscal Year  
26 2023-2024, JTA has determined that operating expenditures have  
27 exceeded the approved budget for the Bus Division by \$6,742,955, the  
28 Connexion Division by \$4,380,653, and the Ferry Division by \$18,757;  
29 and

30 **WHEREAS**, JTA is appropriating \$6,742,955 in excess revenue  
31 from Federal, State and Local grants within the Bus Division to cover

1 increased expenses in that Division as well as increases in transfers  
2 to the Connexion Division and the Ferry Division to offset increased  
3 expenses in those Divisions; and

4 **WHEREAS,** the increased expenses for the Bus Division arose  
5 from higher than anticipated fringe benefits for operators due to the  
6 increase in health insurance expenses, the increase in the transfer  
7 to the Connexion division is due to an increase in the paratransit  
8 services contract, and the increase in the transfer to the Ferry  
9 Division is due to an increase in the insurance premiums for the  
10 Ferry; and

11 **WHEREAS,** on December 11, 2024, the JTA Board of Directors  
12 approved Resolution 2024-21, attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**, which  
13 recommended amending Ordinance 2023-504-E to amend the Fiscal Year  
14 2023-2024 JTA Operations Budget to appropriate additional revenues  
15 to offset the increased operating expenses that exceeded the approved  
16 budget; and

17 **WHEREAS,** Revised Schedules O and P of Ordinance 2023-504-E are  
18 hereby amended to appropriate \$6,742,955 in additional grant revenues  
19 in the Bus Division to cover the increase in operating expenses in  
20 the Bus Division of \$6,742,955 which includes the increased transfers  
21 of \$4,909,585 to the Connexion Division and \$271,637 to the Ferry  
22 Division made by JTA during the course of the 2023-2024 fiscal year;  
23 and

24 **WHEREAS,** JTA is requesting the City Council approve amendments  
25 to the JTA Operations Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024; now therefore

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

27 **Section 1. Amendment of Ordinance 2023-504-E to Amend**  
28 **Revised Schedules O and P for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 JTA Operations**  
29 **Budget.** Sections 5.1 and 5.2 of Ordinance 2023-504-E are hereby  
30 amended, in part, to amend the Revised Schedules O and P outlining  
31 the JTA Operations Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. The Second

1 Revised Schedules O and P are attached hereto as **Exhibit 3** and are,  
2 by this reference, made a part of Ordinance 2023-504-E.

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

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7 Form Approved:

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9                 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

10 Office of General Counsel

11 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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