

LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET

DATE: **6/21/2022**

BT or RC No: **BT22-098**

(Administration & City Council Bills)

SPONSOR: **Office of Economic Development**

(Department/Division/Agency/Council Member)

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PURPOSE: White Paper (Explain why this legislation is necessary. Provide, who, what, when where, how and the impact.) Council Research will complete this form for Council introduced legislation and the Administration is responsible for all other legislation. (Minimum of 350 words – Maximum of 1 page)

The City Council approved Ordinance 2018-509-E and the City entered into a Grant Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$1.5M with Clara White Mission, Inc. to support the development of the White Harvest Farms & Market Project in Northwest Jacksonville. The Grant Agreement was signed on May 2, 2019. Amendment One to the Agreement was signed on December 20, 2019. This technical amendment per Section 9.7 of the Agreement extended the performance schedule by 6 months due to delays in finalizing cost estimates and construction plans.

Amendment Two dated May 18, 2020, authorized by Ordinance 2020-199-E, removed the pedestrian bridge from the Project scope to avoid significant cost overruns due to previously unknown conditions. Amendment Three, dated June 30, 2020, was a technical amendment per Section 9.7 of the Agreement that extended the performance schedule by an additional 6 months.

Amendment Four dated December 31, 2021, authorized by Ordinance 2021-818-E, extended the performance schedule by an additional six months. Amendment Five dated January 19, 2022 revised Exhibit C, "Project Budget and Eligible Grant Expenditures and Scope of Work", to reflect the correct line item amounts for each category of funding.

The Project has experienced further delays due to supply chain interruptions and labor shortages resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as unanticipated cost increases. In order to allow for completion of the Project, the Company has requested for the City to provide an additional \$247,090 and a six-month extension to both the Completion of Construction Date and the Sales Commencement Date.

APPROPRIATION: Total Amount Appropriated \$247,090 as follows: List the source **name** and provide Object and Subobject Numbers for each category listed below:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in the title of the legislation)

Name of Federal Funding Source(s)

From: _____ Amount: _____

To: _____ Amount: _____

Name of State Funding Source(s)

From: _____ Amount: _____

To: _____ Amount: _____

Name of COJ Funding Source(s)

From: Better Jax Projects Pay-as-You-Go / NW Jacksonville Business Infrastructure Project / Other Construction Costs Amount: \$247,090

To: Better Jax Projects Pay-as-You-Go / Clara White Mission – White Harvest Farms Project / Subsidies & Contributions To Private Org Amount: \$247,090

Name of In-Kind Contributions:

From: _____ Amount: _____

To: _____ Amount: _____

Name & No. of Bond Account(s):

From: _____ Amount: _____

To: _____ Amount: _____

PLAIN LANGUAGE OF APPROPRIATION/FINANCIAL IMPACT/OTHER:

Explain: Where are the funds coming from, going to, how will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame? Will there be ongoing maintenance and staffing obligation? Per Chapter 122 & 106 regarding funding of anticipated post-construction operation costs. (Minimum of 350 words – maximum of 1 page.

Ordinance 2018-509-E approved a Business Infrastructure Grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 to develop an approximately 9-acre parcel in Northwest Jacksonville as the White Harvest Farms & Market. The Project has experienced delays due to supply chain interruptions and labor shortages resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as unanticipated cost increases. In order to allow for completion of the Project, the Company has requested for the City to provide an additional \$247,090 and a six-month extension to both the Completion of Construction Date and the Sales Commencement Date.

To-date, the City has disbursed five draws for a total of \$1,011,200 and all required reporting is up to date. Draw 6 is pending in the amount of \$301,400. This sixth amendment will add the \$247,090 needed to fully fund the remainder of the Project, for a new maximum indebtedness of \$1,747,090. Funding is being transferred from the NW Jacksonville Business Infrastructure Project to the Clara White Mission – White Harvest Farms Project.

ACTION ITEMS: Purpose/Check List. If “Yes” please provide detail by attaching justification and code provisions for each.

ACTION ITEMS:

Emergency? Yes _____ No **X** _____

Justification of Emergency: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of emergency.

Federal or State Mandate? Yes _____ No **X** _____

Explanation: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of mandate include Statue or Provision.

Fiscal Year Carryover? Yes _____ No **X** _____

Note: If yes, note must include explanation of all-year subfund carryover language.

Fund 35103 is an all-years fund.

CIP Amendment? Yes ___ No **X** _____

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate CIP form(s). Include justification for mid-year amendment.

Contract/Agreement Approval? Yes ___ **X** _____ No _____

Attachment & Explanation: If yes, attach the Contract/Agreement & provide name of the Department and include contact name and telephone number of the person r that will provide oversight. Indicate if negotiations are on-going and with whom. Has OGC reviewed/drafted? **OED will provide oversight and administration.**

Related RC/BT? Yes **X** ___ No _____ If yes, attach appropriate RC/BT form(s)

Waiver of Code? Yes ___ No **X** _____

Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in space below & provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper.

Waiver of Public Investment Policy as it relates to Northwest Jacksonville Economic Development Fund Goals, Policies and Guidelines granted under Ord. 2018-509-E.

Code Exception: Yes ___ No **X** _____

Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in space below & provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper.

Related Enacted Ordinances? Yes **X** _____ No _____

Code Reference: If yes, identify related code section(s) and ORD reference number in the space below & provide detailed explanation and any changes necessary within whitepaper.

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED: Purpose/Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification and code provisions for each.

Ordinances 2018-509-E, 2020-199-E, and 2021-818-E.

ACTION ITEMS:

Continuation of Grant? Yes _____ No **X** _____

Explanation: How will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame and/or multi-year? If multi-year, note year of grant. Are there long-term implications for the General Fund?

Surplus Property Certification? Yes _____ No **X** _____ Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate form(s)

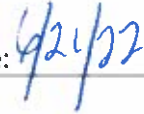
Reporting Requirements? Yes _____ No **X** _____

Explanation: List agencies (including City Council/Auditor) to receive reports and frequency of reports, including when reports are due. Provide name of the Department and include contact name and telephone number of the person responsible for generating.

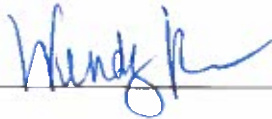
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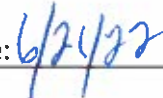
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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation

Independent Agency Action Item:

Board(s) Action/Resolution? Yes _____ No **X** _____

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate documentation. If no, when is board action scheduled?

FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED