

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-78

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 14, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: February 16, 2023

Type of Action: Authorization to execute amendment to economic development agreement

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the execution of a fourth amendment to the economic development agreement between the City and A A Auto Parts, Inc. to extend the construction completion date of the project from December 31, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

Background Information: The City and the company entered into an economic development agreement in November 2019 for a Northwest Jacksonville Economic Development Fund loan of \$150,000 and a Business Infrastructure Grant (BIG) of \$100,000 to support the installation of metal shredding system at the company's metal recycling facility on West Beaver Street. Due to impacts from the COVID pandemic, supply chain interruptions and labor shortages, the installation of the new equipment has been substantially delayed. Three extensions of the completion date have been previously approved by the City Council (from July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, then to June 30, 2022, then to December 31, 2022). The project delays continue and a further extension of the deadline to September 2023 is requested.

Policy Impact Area: Economic development grant funding deadline extension

Fiscal Impact: The requested extension would allow the company to continue to be eligible to utilize the NWJEDF's \$150,000 loan and \$100,000 grant.

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