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ORDINANCE 2023-241

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$15,000 FROM THE JAX HAPPENINGS ACTIVITY WITHIN THE SPECIAL EVENTS FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND OFFICE OF SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT - SPECIAL EVENTS ACTIVITY TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR GREENSCAPE OF JACKSONVILLE, INC. ("GREENSCAPE") TO HOST VARIOUS EVENTS AND TO PROCURE SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL CARE AND MAINTENANCE FOR TREES RECENTLY PLANTED ΙN CERTAIN CITY PARKS; APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH GREENSCAPE; INVOKING THE EXEMPTION IN SECTION 126.107(G) (EXEMPTIONS), PART 1 (GENERAL REGULATIONS), CHAPTER 126 (PROCUREMENT CODE), ORDINANCE CODE, TO ALLOW A DIRECT CONTRACT WITH GREENSCAPE OF JACKSONVILLE, INC.; WAIVING SECTION 118.107 (NONPROFITS TO RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH COMPETITIVE EVALUATED AWARD PROCESS), PART 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), ORDINANCE CODE, TO ALLOW A DIRECT CONTRACT WITH GREENSCAPE; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1. Appropriation. For the 2022-2023 fiscal year,

within the City's budget, there are hereby appropriated the indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

(The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See **Exhibit 1** \$15,000

(b) Appropriated to:

See **Exhibit 1** \$15,000

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above represents an appropriation of \$15,000 to Greenscape of Jacksonville, Inc. ("Greenscape") for supplies and materials to provide additional care for trees recently planted in certain City parks. In addition, a portion of the funds will be used to host smaller events such as a tree planting activity for children and an educational session on the benefits of trees.

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 is to provide funding to Greenspace to provide additional care for trees that have been recently planted in Lem Merrett Park, Lew Brantley Park, Brentwood Golf Course, and at the S-Line Trailhead. Greenscape intends to provide these services with the assistance of volunteers and using Greenscape's own equipment. The funds appropriated herein will be used to purchase mulch, and volunteer supplies and materials (e.g. gloves, grabbers, trash bags, tree care information pamphlets, etc.). In addition, a portion of the funds may be used to host a small tree planting event targeted to children, and to provide an educational session on the benefits of trees.

Section 3. Approval and Authorization to Execute. The Mayor, or his designee, and the Corporation Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver an agreement between the City of

Jacksonville and Greenscape of Jacksonville, Inc., in a not-to-exceed amount of \$15,000 providing the scope of services and terms and conditions for Greenscape's use of the City funds in accordance with the scope of services attached hereto as Exhibit 2 and incorporated herein by this reference. The agreement may include such additions, deletions and changes as may be reasonable, necessary and incidental for carrying out the purposes thereof, as may be acceptable to the Mayor, or his designee, with such inclusion and acceptance being evidenced by execution of the agreement by the Mayor, or his designee; provided however, no modifications to the agreement may increase the financial obligations of the City to an amount in excess of the amount stated in the agreement or decrease the duties and obligations of Greenscape, and any such modifications shall be technical only and shall be subject to appropriate legal review and approval by the Office of General Counsel and the Office of Risk Management for appropriate insurance and indemnification terms. For the purposes of this Ordinance, the term "technical changes" is defined as those changes having no financial impact to the City and any other nonsubstantive changes that do not substantively increase the duties and responsibilities of the City under the provisions of the agreement.

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Section 4. Invoking the Exemption in Section 126.107(g) (Exemptions), Part 1 (General Regulations), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), Ordinance Code. The City is hereby authorized to procure the services of Greenscape of Jacksonville, Inc. for care and maintenance of trees recently planted in certain City parks. Pursuant to Section 126.107(g) (Exemptions), Part 1 (General Regulations), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), Ordinance Code, such procurement is exempted from competitive solicitation because the supplies or services are to be provided by those specifically prescribed within authorizing legislation that appropriates the same. With the exception of the foregoing, all other provisions of Chapter 126, Ordinance Code, shall

remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Waiver of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process), Part 1 (General Provisions), Chapter 118 (City Grants), Ordinance Code. The provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process), Part 1 (General Provisions), Chapter 118 (City Grants), Ordinance Code, are hereby waived to allow for a direct contract between Greenscape of Jacksonville, Inc. and the City of Jacksonville. The City finds that the direct contract approved herein is justified because Greenscape is uniquely situated to provide the services contemplated in **Exhibit 2.** Greenscape has provided similar services to the City over the years including providing maintenance and care for trees planted through the City's Tree Planting Program. In addition, Greenscape hosts a number of events each year including tree giveaways, educational sessions on the maintenance and care of trees, and discussions on the importance of maintaining a healthy tree canopy.

Section 6. Oversight Department. The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department shall oversee the agreement described herein.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

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