

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2023-606

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member White

**Date of Introduction:** September 12, 2023

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F

**Date of Analysis:** September 14, 2023

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; request for emergency approval on second reading; designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$90,000 from designated Special Council Contingency for the City of Jacksonville's contribution to the Northeast Florida Fire Watch Council. Emergency approval on second reading is requested. The bill designates the City Grants and Contract Compliance Division as the oversight agency for the contribution.

**Background Information:** This appropriation was recommended by Council Members White, Arias, Carrico, Gaffney, Jr., and Pittman during the August 25, 2023, budget hearing of the Finance Committee. This funding was not included in the Finance Committee's amendments to Ordinance 2023-504 (the budget bill) due to a voting conflict of interest that would arise for a Council Member. Emergency action is requested so that this legislation can be taken up in conjunction with Ordinance 2023-504 and approved as part of the City's budget package on September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Policy Impact Area:** Fire Watch Council funding; council member voting conflict avoidance

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill \$90,000 from designated Special Council Contingency for the City of Jacksonville's contribution to the Northeast Florida Fire Watch Council.

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