

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2023-721

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

**Date of Introduction:** October 10, 2023

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R, F, TEU

**Date of Analysis:** October 12, 2023

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; CIP amendment; designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates a \$750,000 grant from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to the Cristobel Septic Tank Phase-Out Project. It amends the 2024-28 Capital Improvement Plan to reflect the creation of this project. The Engineering and Construction Management Division of the Public Works Department is designated as the City's oversight agency for the grant.

**Background Information:** The Cristobel neighborhood borders the Ribault River and was identified as an area of high priority according to the agreement with JEA to phase out septic tanks. It is the third-ranked area on the Health Department's current list of septic tank phase-out priorities. The appropriation will provide funding for topographical surveys, subsurface utility engineering, soil borings, design of a gravity sewer, design of a force main, design of a pump station, agency permitting, and technical specifications for construction. Use of the funds will be subject to an FDEP Standard Grant Agreement providing the terms and conditions relative to receipt and expenditure of the grant funds.

**Policy Impact Area:** Septic tank phase-outs

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates a \$750,000 FDEP grant

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