

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:

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4 **ORDINANCE 2023-839**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING A \$1,000,000 GRANT
6 FROM THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
7 AGENCY ("EPA") FOR CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION
8 ACTIVITIES THAT INCLUDE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
9 GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY AND THE CREATION AND
10 IMPLEMENTATION OF A CLIMATE ACTION PLAN FOR THE
11 JACKSONVILLE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA;
12 PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER TO FISCAL YEAR
13 2026-2027; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE
14 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT; REQUESTING
15 ONE-CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN
16 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

19 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2023-2024 fiscal year,
20 within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated
21 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)
22 listed in subsection (b):

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

25 (a) Appropriated from:

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

27 (b) Appropriated to:

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

29 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

30 The funding above represents an appropriation of grant
31 funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the United States

1 Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") for climate
2 control reduction activities to combat greenhouse gases.

3 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in
4 Section 1 is to provide funding for climate control reduction
5 activities in Jacksonville. Specifically, the funded project will
6 entail the establishment of a Greenhouse Gas Inventory and the
7 creation and implementation of a climate action plan for the
8 Jacksonville Metropolitan Statistical Area (the "Project"). Project
9 activities will include development of greenhouse gas emission
10 projections, reduction measures and targets, and various components
11 of a climate action plan that would include elements for interagency
12 and intergovernmental coordination, public and stakeholder
13 engagement, and a low-income/disadvantaged communities benefit
14 analysis. The intent of the Project is to use the Greenhouse Gas
15 Inventory to map out implementation measures to reduce greenhouse gas
16 emissions. Once the implementation measures are identified, this will
17 provide the City an opportunity to compete for additional grant
18 funding to pay for phase two of the grant.

19 This award is subject to the terms and conditions outlined in
20 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Grant Agreement attached
21 hereto as **Exhibit 2**. The grant period commenced on September 1, 2023
22 and will continue through August 31, 2027. A local match is not
23 required for receipt of these grant funds.

24 **Section 3. Carryover.** The funds appropriated herein shall
25 not lapse but shall carryover to fiscal year 2026-2027.

26 **Section 4. Oversight.** The Planning and Development
27 Department shall have oversight of the grant and Project described
28 herein.

29 **Section 5. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**
30 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this
31 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that there

1 is a limited time to implement phase one of the grant in order to
2 qualify for second phase funding.

3 **Section 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
4 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
5 without the Mayor's signature.

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7 Form Approved:

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Office of General Counsel

11 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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