

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor and
2 Co-Sponsored by Council Members Peluso, Carrico, Miller, Carlucci,
3 Gaffney, Jr., Arias, White, Pittman and Clark-Murray:
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6 **ORDINANCE 2023-808-E**

7 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$1,250,000 FROM THE
8 MAYOR'S TASK FORCE CONTINGENCY TO: (1) PROVIDE
9 ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000
10 TO THE COUNTYWIDE PARKS - POOL MAINTENANCE AND
11 UPGRADES PROJECT; AND (2) TO PROVIDE \$250,000
12 FOR THE VETERANS COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT
13 (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PROJECTS"), AS INITIATED BY
14 B.T. 24-018; PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION; AMENDING
15 THE 2024-2028 FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
16 APPROVED BY ORDINANCE 2023-505-E TO REFLECT THIS
17 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE
18 WITH APPLICABLE ARP ACT GRANT FUNDING
19 REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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21 **WHEREAS**, on May 25, 2023, Mayor-Elect Deegan established seven
22 transition committees during the mayoral transition pursuant to
23 Section 20.110 of the *Ordinance Code*; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the transition committees consisted of seven primary
25 focus areas: (1) infrastructure; (2) health; (3) economic
26 development; (4) public safety; (5) arts, culture, and entertainment;
27 (6) constituency and community outreach; and (7) military and veterans
28 (collectively, the "Transition Committee(s)"); and

29 **WHEREAS**, each Transition Committee performed the following
30 tasks regarding each focus area: researched, assessed, and gathered
31 data; met with subject matter experts including former and current

1 City employees; enlisted diverse and inclusive public participation
2 and community engagement, and developed a final Transition Committee
3 report containing, among other things, community concerns and
4 recommendations to the Mayor regarding programs and initiatives that
5 would improve the quality of life of the people of Duval County; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Transition Committees included over 25 sub-
7 committees in multiple sub-focus areas and held over 300 publicly
8 noticed meetings over a two-month period which began during the
9 mayoral transition in June of 2023, and ended in August of 2023; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Transition Committees received input from
11 hundreds of people in Duval County representing diverse ethnic, race,
12 political, religious, professional, socio-economic, sexual
13 orientation, and neighborhood backgrounds; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the Transition Committees provided recommendations
15 and reports to the Mayor for consideration (collectively, the "Mayoral
16 Transition Committee Reports"); and

17 **WHEREAS**, in August of 2023, the Mayor also began hosting
18 publicly noticed and advertised Community Conversations in the 14
19 City Council districts, together with City Council members, to obtain
20 additional public input from constituents regarding quality of life
21 and community concerns (collectively, the "Community Conversations");
22 and

23 **WHEREAS**, based on the Mayoral Transition Committee Reports and
24 the Community Conversations, the Mayor proposed funding to support
25 the Mayor's programs and initiatives in the fiscal year 2023-2024
26 annual budget; and

27 **WHEREAS**, the City Council appropriated funding for fiscal year
28 2023-2024 through the annual budget Ordinance 2023-504-E and
29 Ordinance 2023-513-E to fund the Mayor's programs and initiatives;
30 and

31 **WHEREAS**, with respect to this particular bill, which is the

1 second of the two bills comprising the Mayor's Task Force
2 Appropriation Legislation, the Mayor's programs and initiatives
3 consist of "Youth and Families" and "Honoring Service" as described
4 and summarized **On File** with the Legislative Services Division (the
5 "Mayor's Task Force Programs and Initiatives"); and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Mayor believes that the Mayor's Task Force
7 Programs and Initiatives will benefit and improve the overall quality
8 of life of the people of Duval County, and the City Council desires
9 to appropriate funding to implement the Mayor's Task Force Programs
10 and Initiatives as provided herein; now therefore

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

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

16 (B.T. 24-018, attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein
17 by this reference)

18 (a) Appropriated from:

19 See B.T. 24-018 \$1,250,000

20 (b) Appropriated to:

21 See B.T. 24-018 \$1,250,000

22 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

23 The funding above represents an appropriation of \$1,250,000
24 within the American Rescue Plan Local Fiscal Recovery Fund
25 from the Mayor's Task Force Contingency, with \$1,000,000
26 appropriated to Countywide Parks - Pool Maintenance and
27 Upgrades and \$250,000 appropriated to Veteran's Community
28 Center at the recommendation of the Mayor's transition
29 committees.

30 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in
31 Section 1 is to allocate funds from the Mayor's Task Force Contingency

1 for two purposes: (i) to supplement current funding to refresh and
2 renovate the City's pool properties, improving safety systems and
3 physical appearance of City pools throughout Duval County, and (ii)
4 to provide funding to support initial costs to research, procure, and
5 renovate either a new building or existing structure for the future
6 Veterans Community Center. Potential uses of the Veterans Community
7 Center funding include site survey, engineering drawings, build-out
8 design and similar uses. The city pool renovation and initial Veterans
9 Community Center funding are referred to herein as the "Projects."

10 **Section 3. Capital Improvement Plan Amendment.** Ordinance
11 2023-505-E, adopting the 2024-2028 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan
12 (the "CIP") for the City and certain of its independent agencies, is
13 hereby amended to reflect this reallocation of funds from the Mayor's
14 Task Force Contingency to the Projects as more fully described in the
15 Project Information Sheets attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and
16 incorporated herein by this reference. The City Council finds that
17 the deferral of this amendment of the CIP until the next annual budget
18 and CIP review will be detrimental to the best interests of the
19 community because such deferral will unnecessarily delay completion
20 of the Projects.

21 Pursuant to Section 122.605(c), *Ordinance Code*, enactment of
22 this Ordinance requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the
23 City Council members present at the meeting because of the CIP
24 amendment set forth in this section. This Ordinance shall constitute
25 an amendment to Ordinance 2023-505-E. In all other respects, the
26 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan approved by Ordinance 2023-505-E
27 shall remain unchanged and continue in full force and effect.

28 **Section 4. Compliance with applicable American rescue Plan**
29 **Act grant funding requirements.** All ARP Act funds appropriated and
30 expended in accordance with this Ordinance, including but not limited
31 to the agreements with Cultural Council and United Way authorized in

1 Sections shall comply with all applicable ARP Act grant requirements
2 in their respective use and expenditure of the ARP Act funds provided
3 pursuant to this Ordinance including, but not limited to, the audit
4 requirements attached hereto as **Exhibit 3**.

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

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9 Form Approved:

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11 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

12 Office of General Counsel

13 Legislation Prepared By: Harry M. Wilson, IV

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