Introduced by Council Member Howland:

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## ORDINANCE 2023-871

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW SECTION 126.318

(SELECTION PROCEDURES FOR FEDERAL AND STATE LOBBYING AND GRANT WRITING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS), PART 3 (PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS), CHAPTER 126 (PROCUREMENT CODE), ORDINANCE CODE; PROSPECTIVELY AMENDING SUBPART C (PROCUREMENT METHODS AND PROCEDURES), PART 3 (PROCUREMENT THRESHOLDS, MODES, METHODS, AND PROCEDURES), CHAPTER 126 (PROCUREMENT CODE), ORDINANCE CODE; ESTABLISHING A PROSPECTIVE DATE OF JULY 1, 2024, FOR THE CODE AMENDMENTS CONTAINED IN SECTION 2 OF THIS ORDINANCE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE; PROVIDING CODIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1. Creating a new Section 126.318 (Selection Procedures for Federal and State Lobbying and Grant Writing Professional Services Contracts), Part 3 (Professional Services Contracts), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), Ordinance Code. A new Section 126.318 (Selection Procedures for Federal and State Lobbying and Grant Writing Professional Services Contracts), Part 3 (Professional Services Contracts), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), Ordinance Code, hereby created to read as follows:

### CHAPTER 126 PROCUREMENT CODE

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### PART 3. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

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# Sec. 126.318. - Selection Procedures for Federal and State Lobbying and Grant Writing Professional Services Contracts.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Chapter, no single-source, or other non-competitively awarded, contract with the City of Jacksonville, to provide federal and state lobbying and grant writing professional services shall be valid or binding against the City, unless and until approved by the City Council; and no City officer or employee shall execute the same without City Council approval. This Section shall apply to all applicable proposed singlesource and other non-competitively awarded contracts for federal and state lobbying and grant writing professional services, whether negotiated and preliminarily approved through the professional services processes of this Part, or by any other process.
- (b) In considering any proposed contract referred to in subsection above, the City Council may accept, reject, or propose modifications to any such proposed contract, and may, subject to the approval of the other contracting parties, modify the terms thereof, including but not limited to the scope, financial, duration, renewal, and termination terms of the proposed contract; it being the intent of the City Council that no third party shall have any interest, anticipation or expectation in or to any proposed terms of a contract until such is approved by City Council and executed by all signatories thereto.
- Section 2. Prospectively amending Subpart C (Procurement Methods and Procedures), Part 3 (Procurement Thresholds, Modes, Methods, and Procedures), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), Ordinance Effective July 1, 2024, Subpart C (Procurement Methods and Procedures), Part 3 (Procurement Thresholds, Modes, Methods, and Procedures), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), Ordinance Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

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PART 3. - PROCUREMENT THRESHOLDS, MODES, METHODS

AND PROCEDURES

## SUBPART C. - PROCUREMENT METHODS AND PROCEDURES

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# Sec. 126.310. - Selection Procedures for Federal and State Lobbying and Grant Writing Professional Services Contracts.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Chapter, no single-source, or other non-competitively awarded, contract with the City of Jacksonville to provide federal and state lobbying and grant writing professional services shall be valid or binding against the City, unless and until approved by the City Council; and no City officer or employee shall execute the same without City Council approval. This Section shall apply to all applicable proposed single-source and other non-competitively awarded contracts for federal and state lobbying and grant writing professional services, whether negotiated and preliminarily approved through the professional services processes promulgated pursuant to this Part, or by any other process.

(b) In considering any proposed contract referred to in subsection (a) above, the City Council may accept, reject, or propose modifications to any such proposed contract, and may, subject to the approval of the other contracting parties, modify the terms thereof, including but not limited to the scope, financial, duration, renewal, and termination terms of the proposed contract; it being the intent of the City Council that no third party shall have any interest, anticipation or expectation in or to any proposed terms of a contract until such is approved by City Council and executed by all signatories thereto.

## Sec. 126.310311. - Payment of city contracts.

- (a) Compliance with contract terms and timing. All City payments made pursuant to a contract, including a purchase order, or award under this Chapter shall be made in accordance with the terms of the award and/or contract. The City shall endeavor to pay contractors monthly, upon proper payment application to the applicable City Department. City Departments are to perform all necessary inspections and otherwise endeavor to ensure that prompt review and as applicable approval that certified work is completed. The City shall pay all approved invoices promptly and in accordance with Chapter 218, Part 7 (Local Government Prompt Payment Act), F.S.
- (b) Certification of payment by contractor. As a condition precedent to the City's obligation to make a progress or final payment on a capital improvement project, a prime contractor shall give to the city a payment affidavit stating, if that be the fact, that any and all subcontractors, suppliers, laborers and others furnishing labor, services, or materials on the improvement project under contract with or at the direction of the prime contractor have been paid in full or, if the fact be otherwise, showing the names and contact information for all subcontractors, suppliers, laborers and others who have not been paid in full and the amount due or to become due each of them for labor, services, or materials furnished. The affidavit should be in a form approved by the Director.
- (c) Joint Payment.
  - (1) All contracts in amounts up to \$500,000, where payment or performance bonds have been waived in accordance with Section 18.11 of the Charter, shall provide for the joint payment of contractors and subcontractors for services rendered.

(2) As to all other contracts not included in subsection (1) above, where payment or performance bonds are not required as a matter of law, the City may, at the City's option, pay the contractor and any sub-contractors jointly.

Sec. 126.311312. - Required contract provisions. All contracts made pursuant to this Chapter shall include any contract provisions required by law. The Chief shall detail in the Procurement Operating Manual all such required contract provisions to be included in contracts executed pursuant to this Chapter.

Section 3. Establishment of prospective date of July 1, 2024, for the Code amendments contained in Section 2 of this ordinance to become effective. The Code amendments contained in Section 2 of this ordinance shall not become effective until July 1, 2024.

Section 4. Codification Instructions. The Codifier and the Office of General Counsel are authorized to make all chapter and division "tables of contents" consistent with the changes set forth herein, including renumbering of sections. Such editorial changes and any others necessary to make the Ordinance Code consistent with the intent of this legislation are approved and directed herein, and changes to the Ordinance Code shall be made forthwith and when inconsistencies are discovered.

Section 5. 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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3 /s/ Lawsikia J. Hodges
4 Office of General Counsel
5 Legislation Prepared by: Lawsikia J. Hodges
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