

1 Introduced by Council Member Diamond:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2024-255**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$193,176 FROM THE  
6 GENERAL FUND OPERATING - PROPERTY TAXES ACCOUNT  
7 TO THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS - OTHER OPERATING  
8 SUPPLIES ACCOUNT (\$96,039) AND FURNITURE AND  
9 EQUIPMENT UNDER \$1,000 ACCOUNT (\$97,137) FOR THE  
10 PURCHASE OF BALLOT ON DEMAND PRINTERS AND  
11 ASSOCIATED SUPPLIES FOR EARLY VOTING SITES;  
12 PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER OF FUNDS TO FISCAL YEAR  
13 2024-2025; INVOKING THE EXEMPTION IN SECTION  
14 126.107(G) (EXEMPTIONS), PART 1 (GENERAL  
15 REGULATIONS), CHAPTER 126 (PROCUREMENT CODE),  
16 *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW THE SUPERVISOR OF  
17 ELECTIONS TO PROCURE THE BALLOT ON DEMAND  
18 PRINTER SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED TECHNICAL SUPPORT  
19 SERVICES FROM VR SYSTEMS, INC.; REQUESTING ONE  
20 CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE  
21 DATE.  
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23 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

24 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2023-2024 fiscal year,  
25 within the City's budget, there are hereby appropriated the indicated  
26 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)  
27 listed in subsection (b):

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

30 (a) Appropriated from:

31 See attached **Exhibit 1** \$193,176

1 (b) Appropriated to:

2 See attached **Exhibit 1**

\$193,176

3 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

4 The funding above comprises an appropriation of \$193,176  
5 from the General Fund Operating - Property Taxes account  
6 to the Supervisor of Elections - Other Operating Supplies  
7 account (\$96,039) and Furniture and Equipment Under \$1,000  
8 account (\$97,137) for the purchase of Ballot on Demand  
9 printers and associated supplies for the City's Early  
10 Voting Sites.

11 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
12 Section 1 is to provide funds for the Supervisor of Elections Office  
13 to procure Ballot on Demand printers and associated supplies for the  
14 City's Early Voting Sites. The requirement for Ballot on Demand  
15 printers is expected to be adopted by the State of Florida, Division  
16 of Elections, in April of 2024 at which time the requirement to  
17 maintain and operate this system will be included in the Poll Workers  
18 Procedures Manual. The Supervisor of Elections desires to procure the  
19 Ballot on Demand printers and associated technical support services  
20 from VR Systems, Inc. with whom the Supervisor of Elections Office  
21 currently has a contract to provide and maintain the City's Voter  
22 Registration system. If procured from VR Systems, Inc., the Ballot  
23 on Demand system will readily integrate with the current systems  
24 already in place and supported by that entity.

25 **Section 3. Carryover.** The funds appropriated by this  
26 Ordinance shall not lapse but shall carryover to fiscal year  
27 2024-2025.

28 **Section 4. Invoking the Exemption in Section 126.107(g),**  
29 **Ordinance Code.** The Supervisor of Elections is hereby authorized to  
30 procure the Ballot on Demand printer system and associated technical  
31 support services from VR Systems, Inc. Pursuant to Section 126.107(g)

1 (Exemptions), Part 1 (General Regulations), Chapter 126 (Procurement  
2 Code), *Ordinance Code*, such procurement is exempt from competitive  
3 solicitation because the supplies or services are to be provided by  
4 those specifically prescribed within authorizing legislation that  
5 appropriates the same. With the exception of the foregoing, all other  
6 provisions of Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, shall remain in full force  
7 and effect.

8 **Section 5. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**  
9 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this  
10 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that the  
11 Supervisor of Elections wants to ensure the Ballot on Demand printer  
12 system is procured and in place in time to meet the anticipated April  
13 2024 adoption of this new requirement by the Division of Elections.

14 **Section 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
15 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
16 without the Mayor's signature.  
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18 Form Approved:

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20           /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

21 Office of General Counsel

22 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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