

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor and
2 substituted by the Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health
3 and Safety Committee:
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6 **ORDINANCE 2024-800**

7 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$4,028,251 FROM
8 GENERAL FUND OPERATING RESERVES TO THE SOLID
9 WASTE DISPOSAL FUND - CONTRACT GARBAGE AND
10 RECYCLING ACCOUNT, TO FUND THE MONTHLY PER
11 PREMISE RATE OF \$22.39 AUTHORIZED BY THE CITY
12 COUNCIL FOR RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE SOLID WASTE AND
13 RECYCLABLES COLLECTION AND TRANSPORTATION
14 SERVICES PROVIDED BY MERIDIAN WASTE FLORIDA,
15 LLC, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025; APPROVING AND
16 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE
17 CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE A FIRST
18 AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT BETWEEN CITY OF
19 JACKSONVILLE AND MERIDIAN WASTE FLORIDA, LLC,
20 FOR RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE SOLID WASTE AND
21 RECYCLABLES COLLECTION AND TRANSPORTATION
22 SERVICES (SERVICE AREA II), SETTING RATES
23 COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2024, SETTING FUEL CAPS
24 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024-2025, 2025-2026 AND
25 2026-2027, AND APPROVING THE PREMISE COUNT
26 CONDUCTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE RATE REVIEW;
27 PROVIDING A MONTHLY BASE RATE; PROVIDING FOR
28 CITY OVERSIGHT BY THE SOLID WASTE DIVISION OF
29 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS; PROVIDING AN
30 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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1 **WHEREAS**, Chapter 382, Part 3, *Ordinance Code*, provides that
 2 every three years, the Council shall determine the annual rate of
 3 compensation for each contractor providing waste collection and
 4 disposal services to the City by conducting a full rate review of
 5 such contractor's contract, and such contracts also provide that such
 6 a rate review and rate adjustment be conducted every three years; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the City entered into a contract with Meridian Waste
 8 Florida, LLC ("Meridian") pursuant to the process set forth in
 9 Ordinance 2021-55-E (the "Contract"); and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Council Auditor and City Administration performed
 11 a rate review of the compensation previously paid and projected to
 12 be paid to Meridian for residential waste (garbage, yard waste, tires,
 13 and white goods) and recycling collection and transportation services
 14 to the City, and reported their review and rate recommendation to the
 15 Council; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the Council has established a rate to be paid to
 17 Meridian as outlined in Section 3 herein; now therefore

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

19 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2024-2025 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 3** and
 24 incorporated therein by this reference)

25 (a) Appropriated from:

26 See **Exhibit 3** \$4,028,251

27 (b) Appropriated to:

28 See **Exhibit 3** \$4,028,251

29 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

30 The funding above is an appropriation of \$4,028,251 from
 31 General Fund Operating Reserves to the Solid Waste Disposal

1 Fund - Contract Garbage and Recycling account, to fund the
2 monthly per premise rate of \$22.39 authorized by the City
3 Council for residential curbside solid waste and
4 recyclables collection and transportation services
5 provided by Meridian Waste Florida, LLC for fiscal year
6 2024-2025.

7 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in
8 Section 1 is to fund the increased monthly per premise rate of \$22.39
9 for residential curbside solid waste and recyclables collection and
10 transportation services provided by Meridian Waste Florida, LLC, as
11 authorized herein.

12 **Section 3. Monthly Base Rate.** The recommended terms
13 established by the Council rate review process pertaining to the
14 Contract between the City and Meridian are as set forth in **Exhibit**
15 **1**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. The
16 monthly base rate component of \$18.29 recommended by said rate review
17 process as set forth in **Exhibit 1** is inclusive of a mark-up on
18 operating expenses before profit, interest expenses, and corporate
19 taxes. After careful consideration of the recommendations arising out
20 of the Council rate review process and receipt of additional
21 information from Meridian, the City Council has determined it
22 appropriate and hereby approves and authorizes an adjustment to the
23 Monthly Base Rate Component commencing October 1, 2024, to \$22.39 per
24 premise which shall be adjusted thereafter, if necessary, pursuant
25 to the Agreement. With the exception of the foregoing, all other
26 terms established by the Council rate review process as outlined in
27 **Exhibit 1** are hereby approved.

28 **Section 4. Approval and Authorization to Execute First**
29 **Amendment to Contract.** The Mayor, or her designee, and the
30 Corporation Secretary are hereby authorized to execute that certain
31 First Amendment to Contract Between City of Jacksonville and Meridian

1 Waste Florida, LLC for Residential Curbside Solid Waste and
2 Recyclables Collection and Transportation Services (Service Area II)
3 (the "First Amendment") in substantially the same form attached hereto
4 as **Revised Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by this reference. The
5 First Amendment incorporates the terms approved by Council as set
6 forth in Section 3 of this Ordinance.

7 **Section 5. Oversight.** The Solid Waste Division of the
8 Public Works Department shall oversee the Contract described herein.

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

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13 Form Approved:

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15 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

16 Office of General Counsel

17 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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