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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: 2019-383

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: May 28, 2019

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, F

Date of Analysis: May 29, 2019

Type of Action: Agreement authorization

Bill Summary: This bill authorizes a Stipulation Agreement among the City of Jacksonville, Florida East Coast Railway, LLC, and the State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The City has filed an application with FDOT to offset the expansion of the Nira Street railroad-highway public at grade crossing to close permanently a railroad-highway public at grade crossing at Gary Street and a railroad-highway public at grade crossing at Naldo Avenue. Through a separate agreement with the Florida East Coast Railway, the City will agree to pay the annual license fee and maintenance fees for the crossing surface within the crossing area at the Nira Street railroad-highway public at grade crossing.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to permanently close two railroad-highway public at grade crossings. The railroad (at the City's expense) will: provide the materials, install the automated crossing warning device, flashing lights and gates. The City will: remove all parts of the old crossing, restore the right of way, and provide closure signs and object markers.

Policy Impact Area: Railroad-highway public crossing

Fiscal Impact: Cost to the City for license and maintenance fees, warning devices, materials and signage

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