

1 Introduced by Council Member Ferraro and Co-Sponsored by Council
2 Member Morgan, and amended by the Neighborhoods, Community
3 Services, Public Health & Safety Committee:

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5 **ORDINANCE 2019-645-E**

6 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND
7 CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE A FIRST
8 AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH JACKSONVILLE
9 UNIVERSITY TO RENEW THE CONTRACT FOR A FIRST
10 ADDITIONAL YEAR FOR THE CONTINUING MANATEE
11 PROTECTION STUDIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
12 AND TO INCLUDE THE ADDITIONAL TASK FOR A
13 BOATER SPEED ZONE COMPLIANCE STUDY, SUBJECT TO
14 APPROPRIATION BY CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING AN
15 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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17 **WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville has engaged Jacksonville
18 University to provide marine science support, particularly in
19 developing and refining the City's Manatee Protection Plan; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the University's A. Quinton White, Ph.D., a highly-
21 regarded expert on marine mammals, especially manatees, has been
22 the principal scientist under the contract with Jacksonville
23 University; and

24 **WHEREAS**, conflict, such as the differing regulatory approaches
25 to manatee protection and the debate over the status of the
26 manatee, indicates the continuing need for marine science support;
27 and

28 **WHEREAS**, the City Council authorized the contract with Dr.
29 White through Ordinance 2018-540-E, which invoked Section
30 126.107(g), *Ordinance Code*, to waive competitive solicitation and
31 bidding due to Dr. White's expertise; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the contract approved by ordinance 2018-540-E was set
2 to expire on October 3, 2019 but provided for four (4) one (1) year
3 renewals; and

4 **WHEREAS**, a revised Task 8 has been outlined in the proposed
5 contract for this one year extension in order to provide the City
6 with a Boater Speed Zone Compliance Study based upon protocols
7 agreed upon with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
8 Commission ("FWC"), as required by the City of Jacksonville Manatee
9 Protection Plan, 4th Edition, dated November 2017, as outlined on
10 page 136; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the Boater Speed Zone Compliance Study is directly
12 related to the proper performance and provision of the Services
13 anticipated in the original contract; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the Boater Speed Zone Compliance Study will require
15 an additional \$90,000.00 for the contract for fiscal year 2019/2020
16 which brings the total contract amount to \$270,000.00 (\$90,000 for
17 FY 18/19 + \$180,000 for FY 19/20 which includes \$90,000 for annual
18 contract and \$90,000 for Boater Speed Zone Compliance Study); and

19 **WHEREAS**, at its August 28, 2019 meeting, the Waterways
20 Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the proposed
21 contract extension and revised services for the Boater Speed Zone
22 Compliance Study; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the Council would like to exercise the first
24 extension to renew the contract for an additional one-year renewal
25 to October 2, 2020, and to include the additional Task 8; now
26 therefore

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

28 **Section 1. Authorizing the Mayor and Corporation**
29 **Secretary to Execute a First Amendment to the Contract for**
30 **Continuing Manatee Protection Studies, dated October 4, 2018.**
31 Subject to appropriation by the City Council, the Mayor, or his

1 designee, and Corporation Secretary are authorized to execute a
2 First Amendment to the contract with Jacksonville University to
3 exercise the first one (1) year renewal of the contract term for
4 the services of Dr. A. Quinton White and Dr. Gerard Pinto for
5 continuing manatee protection studies in substantially the same
6 form as contained in the document **Revised On File**, labeled as
7 "Revised On File, 1st Amd to Agmt, September 30, 2019 - NCSPHS" with
8 the City Council Legislative Services Division.

9 **Section 2. 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/ Susan C. Grandin

16 Office of General Counsel

17 Legislation Prepared By: Susan C. Grandin

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