

1 Introduced by Council President at the request of the Duval County
2 Tourist Development Council and Co-Sponsored by Council Member
3 Hazouri:

4 **ORDINANCE 2019-854-E**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$785,000.00 FROM
6 OTHER CONSTRUCTION TO RESERVES FOR THE
7 PERFORMING ARTS-DOWNTOWN VISITOR CENTER
8 PROJECT; PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR DUVAL COUNTY
9 TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION
10 REGARDING LOCATION OF DOWNTOWN VISITOR CENTER;
11 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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13 **WHEREAS**, the Duval County Tourist Development Council (the
14 "Tourist Development Council" or "TDC"), pursuant to Chapter 70,
15 *Ordinance Code*, administers the Tourist Development Plan set forth in
16 Chapter 666, *Ordinance Code*; and

17 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 70.104(1) the TDC may recommend
18 activities and projects to the City Council to be funded from the
19 Development Account established pursuant to Sections 111.600 and
20 666.108, *Ordinance Code*; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Section 666.108(b)(1) of the Tourist Development Plan
22 requires the establishment and operation of a visitor center in
23 Downtown Jacksonville ("Downtown Visitor Center") and the TDC,
24 pursuant to Ordinance 2018-837-E, recommended to the City Council that
25 funds from the Development Account be used to establish the Downtown
26 Visitor Center at a location within the Times Union Center for the
27 Performing Arts; and

28 **WHEREAS**, the TDC at its special meeting on October 23, 2019
29 unanimously recommended that the construction of the Downtown Visitor
30 Center be placed on hold to enable the TDC to further explore
31 additional location options related to the Downtown Visitor Center. A
32 copy of the special meeting minutes are attached hereto as **On File**;

1 now therefore

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

3 **Section 1. Recitals.** The recitals set forth above are
4 true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

5 **Section 2. Appropriation.** For the 2019-2020 fiscal year,
6 within the City's budget, there are hereby appropriated the
7 indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to
8 the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

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

11 (a) Appropriated from:

12 See attached **Exhibit 1** \$785,000.00

13 (b) Appropriated to:

14 See attached **Exhibit 1** \$785,000.00

15 (c) **Explanation of Appropriation.** This ordinance appropriates
16 \$785,000.00 from "Other Construction" to "Reserves" for
17 the Performing Arts-Downtown Visitor Center project.

18 **Section 3. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation
19 above is to appropriate \$785,000.00 from "Other Construction" to
20 "Reserves" for the Performing Arts-Downtown Visitor Center project
21 until the TDC makes a determination and recommendation to the City
22 Council regarding the site location of the Downtown Visitor Center.

23 **Section 4. Tourist Development Council Recommendation**
24 **Regarding Location of the Downtown Visitor Center.** The TDC is
25 directed to further assess and/or explore additional locations for
26 the Downtown Visitor Center consistent with the Tourist Development
27 Plan. The funding appropriated to Reserves in Section 3 above may
28 not be expended until the TDC determines and recommends to the City
29 Council a final site location for the Downtown Visitor Center
30 consistent with the Tourist Development Plan.

1 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become
2 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
3 without the Mayor's signature.

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5 Form Approved:

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7 /s/ Lawsikia J. Hodges

8 Office of General Counsel

9 Legislation Prepared By: Lawsikia J. Hodges

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