

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor and  
2 amended by the Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health &  
3 Safety Committee:

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6 **ORDINANCE 2019-850-E**

7 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$2,990,280.00 (A  
8 FISCAL YEAR 2018 STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE  
9 AND EMERGENCY (SAFER) GRANT OF \$2,242,710.00  
10 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND  
11 SECURITY AND A 25% CITY MATCH OF \$747,570.00  
12 FROM GENERAL FUND - GENERAL SERVICES DISTRICT  
13 FUND BALANCE) TO PROVIDE SALARIES AND BENEFITS  
14 FOR 40 NEW FIREFIGHTER POSITIONS FOR YEAR ONE  
15 OF THE SAFER GRANT, AS INITIATED BY B.T. 20-  
16 030; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR  
17 HIS DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION SECRETARY TO  
18 ACCEPT AND RECEIVE THE FEDERAL FUNDS THROUGH  
19 THE FEMA GRANTS OUTCOMES (FEMA GO) SYSTEM;  
20 PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE EMERGENCY  
21 PREPAREDNESS DIVISION OF JFRD; APPROVING  
22 POSITIONS, AS INITIATED BY R.C. 20-044;  
23 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

26 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2019-2020 fiscal year,  
27 within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the  
28 indicated sum from the account listed in subsection (a) to the  
29 account listed in subsection (b):

30 (B.T. 20-030, attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein

1 by this reference):

2 (a) Appropriated from:

3 See B.T. 20-030 \$2,990,280.00

4 (b) Appropriated to:

5 See B.T. 20-030 \$2,990,280.00

6 (c) Explanation of Appropriation.

7 The funding above comprises a fiscal year 2018 Staffing  
 8 for Adequate Fire and Emergency (SAFER) Grant of  
 9 \$2,242,710.00 from the United States Department of  
 10 Homeland Security and a 25% City match of \$747,570.00  
 11 from General Fund - General Services District Fund  
 12 balance. The three-year total award is \$8,970,840.00,  
 13 with a \$3,438,822.00 City match and a federal share of  
 14 \$5,532,018.00.

15 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
 16 Section 1 is to provide salaries and benefits (including FLSA  
 17 overtime, health, dental, life insurance, pension, clothing  
 18 allowance, holiday/leave sellback, etc.) for 40 new firefighter  
 19 positions for year one of the SAFER Grant. The 40 firefighter  
 20 positions are critical to the operations of the Jacksonville Fire &  
 21 Rescue Department (JFRD) and will allow adequate staffing to  
 22 maintain National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) 1710 compliance and  
 23 allow JFRD to add firefighters to each shift (A, B, and C shifts)  
 24 to be assigned to the busiest engines. JFRD will then have all of  
 25 its engines responding with four personnel. With this enhanced  
 26 staffing, an appropriate number of trained personnel will be  
 27 assembled at the incident scene.

28 **Section 3. Approval and authorization.** There is hereby  
 29 approved, and the Mayor, or his designee, and Corporation Secretary  
 30 are hereby authorized to accept and receive the federal funds  
 31 through the FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO) System. A copy of the

1 Award Letter and Agreement Articles have been placed **On File** with  
2 the Office of Legislative Services.

3 **Section 4. Oversight.** The Emergency Preparedness  
4 Division of JFRD shall oversee the project described herein.

5 **Section 5. Approval of Positions.** There are hereby  
6 approved the positions more fully described in R.C. 20-044,  
7 attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by this  
8 reference.

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/ Paige H. Johnston

16 Office of General Counsel

17 Legislation prepared by: James R. McCain, Jr.

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