

1 Introduced by Council Member Salem:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2021-144**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$2,000,000.00 FROM
6 THE TREE PROTECTION AND RELATED EXPENSES TRUST
7 FUND, FUND 15304, FOR THE COUNTY-WIDE "REMOVE
8 AND REPLACE" PROGRAM; APPROVING, AND REQUESTING
9 THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO DIRECT THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ADMINISTER THE
11 PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CRITERIA HEREIN
12 PROVIDED; PROVIDING A CARRYOVER OF FUNDS INTO
13 SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEARS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
14 DATE.
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16 **WHEREAS**, the Tree Commission, an advisory body of the City of
17 Jacksonville formed to encourage and coordinate the efforts of the
18 various public and private entities that are concerned with the
19 conservation and enhancement of the City's Tree Canopy, voted to
20 recommend two types of tree replacement programs to be administered
21 by Public Works; and

22 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance 2018-775-E, the City appropriated
23 \$300,000.00 as an initial amount into the "County-Wide Remove and
24 Replace" account for the Tree Replacement Program (the "Program");
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26 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance 2019-745-E, the City appropriated
27 an additional \$2,000,000.00 for the Program; and

28 **WHEREAS**, due to the popularity of the Program all of the funds
29 appropriated to the Program have been expended or allocated to ongoing
30 projects to replace trees within the rights-of-way in Duval County;
31 now therefore

1 (a) as to replacement trees in rights-of-way, within the
2 right-of-way of the parcel abutting the tree removal site, or in the
3 right-of-way of an adjacent parcel abutting, or across the street
4 from, the tree removal site, but in no instance shall the location
5 of the replacement tree be more than 100 feet away from the tree that
6 was removed;

7 (b) as to replacement trees within parks, no more than
8 100 feet from the tree removed.

9 **Section 3. Oversight Department.** The Public Works
10 Department shall oversee the Programs described herein. The trees
11 that are removed and those that are planted shall be recorded
12 electronically on Plan-it GEO, or its equivalent, and shall note the
13 species and size of each, as well as the date of planting or removal,
14 and the Ordinance number, if applicable, appropriating the funding.

15 **Section 4. Carryover.** The funds appropriated in this
16 ordinance shall not lapse but shall carryover to subsequent fiscal
17 years.

18 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become
19 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
20 without the Mayor's signature.

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22 Form Approved:

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24 /s/ Susan C. Grandin

25 Office of General Counsel

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