

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2021-144

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Salem

**Date of Introduction:** March 9, 2021

**Committee(s) of Reference:** NCSPHS, F

**Date of Analysis:** March 8, 2021

**Type of Action:** Appropriation

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$2,000,000.00 from the Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund, 15304, for a county-wide tree replacement program; provides oversight to the Department of Public Works; provides for carryover of funds to subsequent fiscal years.

**Background Information:** The appropriation funds the "County-wide Remove and Replace" program to plant trees within public rights-of-way and parks in Duval County. When trees are damaged, dead, becomes a hazard to the public health, safety, and welfare, the Department of Public Works shall remove and replace a tree, provided

1. The tree removed is replaced within six (6) months;
2. The species of replacement tree is contained in the "Tree Commission Approved Tree Planting List," as amended from time to time and approved by a City Arborist; and
3. The replacement tree location is approved by a City Arborist and is close to the tree removed.

**Policy Impact Area:** Tree protection

**Fiscal Impact:** The appropriation of \$2,000,000.00 within the Tree Protection and Related Expenses Trust Fund

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