

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the
2 Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission:

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5 **ORDINANCE 2021-376**

6 AN ORDINANCE REGARDING CHAPTER 307 (HISTORIC
7 PRESERVATION), *ORDINANCE CODE*; DESIGNATING THE
8 COMMERCIAL BUILDING, OWNED BY 112 E FORSYTH,
9 LLC, LOCATED AT 112 EAST FORSYTH STREET, REAL
10 ESTATE NUMBER 073456-0100, IN COUNCIL DISTRICT
11 7, JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA, AS A LOCAL LANDMARK;
12 DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES TO
13 NOTIFY THE APPLICANT, THE PROPERTY OWNER, AND
14 THE PROPERTY APPRAISER OF THE LOCAL LANDMARK
15 DESIGNATION, AND TO RECORD THE LOCAL LANDMARK
16 DESIGNATION IN THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF DUVAL
17 COUNTY; DIRECTING THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR TO
18 ENTER THE LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION ON THE
19 ZONING ATLAS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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21 **WHEREAS**, the Jacksonville City Council ("Council") enacted
22 Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation), *Ordinance Code*, to facilitate
23 the designation of landmarks and landmark sites, where appropriate;
24 and

25 **WHEREAS**, the structure to be designated by this ordinance is
26 the commercial building located at 112 East Forsyth Street ("112
27 East Forsyth"), Real Estate Number 073456-0100, in Council District
28 7; and

29 **WHEREAS**, 112 East Forsyth is one of a group of commercial
30 buildings constructed in the eastern part of downtown following the
31 Great Fire of 1901; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the three story masonry vernacular style commercial
2 building was originally constructed as office space for the New
3 York Laundry Company that occupied the structure next door at 120
4 East Forsyth Street; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the design of the building reflects a commercial
6 style referred to as the two-part commercial block, one of the
7 oldest types of commercial designs dating back to medieval towns
8 and Colonial settlements; and

9 **WHEREAS**, 112 East Forsyth was built by Jacksonville
10 contractor, Norman Lesley Snelson, who constructed several
11 commercial and residential structures in Jacksonville. His most
12 noted residential construction was the Lucious T. Smith residence
13 at 2821 Riverside Avenue, constructed in 1913; and

14 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 307 (Historic
15 Preservation), *Ordinance Code*, the Council has considered the
16 issue of designating 112 East Forsyth as a landmark, taking into
17 consideration its importance and historical value, as more fully
18 set forth in the Designation Application, LM-21-04, and Staff
19 Report of the Historic Preservation Section of the Planning and
20 Development Department, a copy of which is **On File** with
21 Legislative Services as and incorporated by reference herein (the
22 "Application and Staff Report"); and

23 **WHEREAS**, all public notice and public hearing requirements
24 have been met for designating 112 East Forsyth as a local landmark;
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26 **WHEREAS**, on May 26, 2021, the Jacksonville Historic
27 Preservation Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the
28 landmark designation; and

29 **WHEREAS**, the property owner is in support of the landmark
30 designation; and

31 **WHEREAS**, having met the requisite criteria, the Council finds

1 that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of
2 Jacksonville to designate 112 East Forsyth as a local landmark, in
3 furtherance of historic preservation and protection; now, therefore

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

5 **Section 1. Designation of Local Landmark.** Pursuant to
6 Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation), *Ordinance Code*, the Council
7 hereby designates the commercial building located at 112 East
8 Forsyth Street, Real Estate Number 073456-0100, in Council District
9 7, as a local landmark.

10 **Section 2. Satisfaction of Requisite Criteria.** The
11 Council hereby finds that the commercial building located at 112
12 East Forsyth Street meets three (3) of the requisite criteria set
13 forth in Section 307.104(j), *Ordinance Code*, as more fully set
14 forth in the Application and Staff Report.

15 **Section 3. Notice of Landmark Designation.** Pursuant to
16 Section 307.104(m), *Ordinance Code*, the Council hereby directs the
17 Chief of Legislative Services, as designee of the Council
18 Secretary, to notify the applicant, the property owner, and the
19 Property Appraiser of the designation of the landmark.

20 **Section 4. Recording of Landmark Designation.** The
21 Council hereby directs the Chief of Legislative Services to record
22 this ordinance in the official records for Duval County, Florida.

23 **Section 5. Landmark Designation on Zoning Atlas.**
24 Pursuant to Section 307.104(n), *Ordinance Code*, the Council hereby
25 directs the Zoning Administrator, as designee of the Director of
26 the Planning and Development Department, to enter the local
27 landmark designation on the Zoning Atlas, in accordance with
28 Section 656.203, *Ordinance Code*.

29 **Section 6. Effective Date.** The enactment of this
30 ordinance shall be deemed to constitute a quasi-judicial action of
31 the Council and therefore shall become effective upon signature by

1 the Council President and Council Secretary.

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3 Form Approved:

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5 /s/Kealey West

6 Office of General Counsel

7 Legislation Prepared By: Kealey West

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