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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-0588

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member R. Brown

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 21, 2017

**Type of Action:** Amend *Ordinance Code*

**Bill Summary:** This bill amends Section 11.186 (Legends Community Center Capital Improvement Trust Fund), *Ordinance Code*, to rename the trust fund to the Lonnie Miller Regional Park Trust Fund; and amends Section 154.107 (Sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages in municipal parks or on City-owned or -leased property; penalty), *Ordinance Code*, to add Lonnie Miller Regional Park to the list of city-owned or leased locations that allow alcoholic beverages.

**Background Information:** The previously named Legends Community Center Capital Improvement Trust Fund is a permanent and ongoing account that is authorized to receive gifts, fees, and other donations for the specific purpose of financing capital improvements and exercise equipment. The amendment changes the name from Legends Community Center to Lonnie Miller Regional Park and allows the use of resources for all entities within the park including the Bob Hayes Sports Complex and Legends Community Center. The purchase of capital improvements up to \$100,000 per fiscal year is allowed without further action by City Council. Lonnie Miller Regional Park will be added to the list of municipal parks that allow the sale, service, and consumption of alcoholic beverages at any time.

**Policy Impact Area:** Parks, Recreation, and Community Services

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Analyst:** Mitchell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-589

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 24, 2017

**Type of Action:** Appropriation

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$7,990,202.56 from debt service budget capacity to various debt service project accounts to align budgeted debt amounts to actual amounts in the FY16-17 budget.

**Background Information:** Debt Service expenditures for principal and interest are estimated during budgeting prior to the beginning of the current fiscal year. During the year, debt service varies from these initial estimates due to subsequent debt issued on previously authorized projects. To provide sufficient expenditure authority in the appropriate funding accounts, a reclassification of budget is necessary to properly reflect the actual expenditures and budget authority. This Budget Transfer does not add any additional expenditures or spending for debt service in Fiscal Year 2017. It only moves existing budget for accounting purposes.

**Policy Impact Area:** Bond debt service capacity

**Fiscal Impact:** None – the bill allocates previously-approved debt service capacity from a collective account to individual project accounts.

**Analyst:** Clements

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-590

**Sponsor:** Council Member Boyer:

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

**Committee(s) of Reference:** NCSPHS; F; JWW

**Date of Analysis:** August 25, 2017

**Type of Action:** Contract Amendment Authorization

**Bill Summary:** The ordinance authorizes the Mayor and Corporation Secretary to execute a Fourth Amendment to the contract with Jacksonville University to renew the contract for a Fourth additional year for the continuing manatee protection studies for Fiscal Year 2017-2018, subject to appropriation by the City Council.

**Background Information:** The State of Florida mandates that counties with bodies of water that attract manatees to have a Manatee Protection Plan in place and revise data on an annual basis. The City has had a contract with Jacksonville University for assistance with marine sciences support since 1993. Dr. Quinton White and Dr. Gerard Pinto regularly amass data on marine life, particularly manatees in the St. Johns River and its tributaries. Differing regulatory approaches to manatee protection and the debate over the status of the manatee indicate the continuing need for marine science support. The City Council authorized a contract with Jacksonville University through Ordinance 2013-565-E. The original contract was set to expire on September 30, 2014 but provided for four (4) one (1) year renewals. The City Council has exercised three of the one-year renewals, first when it authorized a First Amendment through Ordinance 2014-584-E, to extend the contract to September 30, 2015, the Second Amendment through Ordinance 2015-587-E, to extend the contract to September 30, 2016, and the Third Amendment through Ordinance 2016-568-E, to extend the contract to September 30, 2017. This ordinance renews the contract with Jacksonville University for an additional year to September 30, 2018.

**Policy Impact:** Manatee Protection Plan/Jacksonville University

**Fiscal Impact:** Minimal. Subsequent companion legislation will appropriate funding for the contract. Previous contracts have stipulated that the Agreement shall not exceed the sum of \$90,000.00 per fiscal year of the contract.

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-0591

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 17, 2017

**Type of Action:** Authorization of service agreement, designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves and authorizes the service agreement on the behalf of the District IV Medical Examiner's Office between the City and Centurion, LLC for reimbursement of autopsy services for the Florida Department of Corrections. The Medical Examiner's Office will oversee the project.

**Background Information:** Centurion, LLC is the contracted provider of healthcare services to the Florida Department of Corrections - Region two. The District IV Medical Examiner provides services to Centurion, LLC in the form of autopsy services to inmates under the control of the Florida Department of Corrections for facilities in Florida Department of Law Enforcement Region 2. Centurion, LLC will reimburse the City for the value of the District IV Medical Examiner's services it receives. The terms for the service agreement will be for a period of three years commencing October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2020.

**Policy Impact Area:** Autopsy services

**Fiscal Impact:** Without this agreement, there would be a loss of more than \$56,640 in annual revenue.

**Analyst:** Hampsey

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-0592

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 18, 2017

**Type of Action:** Authorization of cooperative agreement, designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves and authorizes the cooperative agreement on the behalf of the District IV Medical Examiner's Office between the City and Hamilton County for reimbursement of autopsy services. This agreement shall be for a period of three years commencing October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2020. The District IV Medical Examiner's Office will oversee the project.

**Background Information:** According to Florida statute, the District IV Medical Examiner provides services to two counties in District III, one of which is Hamilton County. The City has allocated the annual salary to be paid the District IV Medical Examiner and Hamilton County will reimburse the City for the value of services it receives. The District IV Medical Examiner will review the fees annually, no later than June of each year. If the fees do not sufficiently cover the City's costs, a notice of increase will be given to Hamilton County with an effective date of October 1, 2018 and/or 2019, thus providing a ninety (90) day notice of any increase in fees.

**Policy Impact Area:** Autopsy services

**Fiscal Impact:** The impact of not providing this service is an estimated loss of more than \$44,000 in revenue.

**Analyst:** Hampsey

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-0593

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**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 18, 2017

**Type of Action:** Authorization of cooperative agreement, designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves and authorizes the cooperative agreement on the behalf of the District IV Medical Examiner's Office between the City and Nassau County for reimbursement of autopsy services. This agreement shall be for a period of three years commencing October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2020. The District IV Medical Examiner's Office will oversee the project.

**Background Information:** According to Florida statute, the District IV Medical Examiner provides autopsy services to Nassau County. The City has allocated the annual salary to be paid the District IV Medical Examiner and Nassau County will reimburse the City for the value of services it receives. The District IV Medical Examiner will review the fees annually, no later than June of each year. If the fees do not sufficiently cover the City's costs, a notice of increase will be given to Nassau County with an effective date of October 1, 2018 and/or 2019, thus providing a ninety (90) day notice of any increase in fees.

**Policy Impact Area:** Autopsy services

**Fiscal Impact:** The impact of not providing this service is an estimated loss of more than \$259,400 in revenue.

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-0594

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**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 18, 2017

**Type of Action:** Authorization of cooperative agreement, designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves and authorizes the cooperative agreement on the behalf of the District IV Medical Examiner's Office between the City and Clay County for reimbursement of autopsy services. This agreement shall be for a period of three years commencing October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2020. The District IV Medical Examiner's Office will oversee the project.

**Background Information:** According to Florida statute, the District IV Medical Examiner provides autopsy services to Clay County. The City has allocated the annual salary to be paid the District IV Medical Examiner and Clay County will reimburse the City for the value of services it receives. The District IV Medical Examiner will review the fees annually, no later than June of each year. If the fees do not sufficiently cover the City's costs, a notice of increase will be given to Clay County with an effective date of October 1, 2018 and/or 2019, thus providing a ninety (90) day notice of any increase in fees.

**Policy Impact Area:** Autopsy services

**Fiscal Impact:** The impact of not providing this service is an estimated loss of more than \$701,900 in revenue.

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-0595

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 18, 2017

**Type of Action:** Authorization of cooperative agreement, designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves and authorizes the cooperative agreement on the behalf of the District IV Medical Examiner's Office between the City and Columbia County for reimbursement of autopsy services. This agreement shall be for a period of three years commencing October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2020. The District IV Medical Examiner's Office will oversee the project.

**Background Information:** According to Florida statute, the District IV Medical Examiner provides autopsy services to Columbia County. The City has allocated the annual salary to be paid the District IV Medical Examiner and Columbia County will reimburse the City for the value of services it receives. The District IV Medical Examiner will review the fees annually, no later than June of each year. If the fees do not sufficiently cover the City's costs, a notice of increase will be given to Columbia County with an effective date of October 1, 2018 and/or 2019, thus providing a ninety (90) day notice of any increase in fees.

**Policy Impact Area:** Autopsy services

**Fiscal Impact:** The impact of not providing this service is an estimated loss of more than \$185,300 in revenue.

**Analyst:** Hampsey



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-596

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 24, 2017

**Type of Action:** Authorizing execution of Interlocal agreement

**Bill Summary:** The bill authorizes the Mayor to execute an interlocal agreement between the cities of Jacksonville and Jacksonville Beach to authorize the Jacksonville Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) to utilize tax increment funds outside of the two redevelopment district boundaries for the purpose of making repairs and improvements to the city's stormwater collection system that will benefit the redevelopment district.

**Background Information:** The Jacksonville Beach CRA was created in 1978 and covers a total of 541 acres of Jax Beach in two separate districts – the Downtown area from 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue South to 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, between 3<sup>rd</sup> street and the ocean, and the South Beach area surrounding the intersection of J. Turner Butler Boulevard with A1A. The City of Jacksonville Beach has proposed a project that would use CRA tax increment funds to improve and add to stormwater conveyance capacity located outside of the district for the purpose of draining stormwater from inside the district to the Intracoastal Waterway. Jacksonville Beach requires the permission of the City of Jacksonville, the county taxing entity, to utilize tax increment revenues outside of the boundaries of the CRA.

**Policy Impact Area:** Tax increment district expenditure

**Fiscal Impact:** None; the City of Jacksonville is not participating in this project.

**Analyst:** Clements

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-597

**Sponsor:** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

**Committee(s) of Reference:** TEU

**Date of Analysis:** August 25, 2017

**Type of Action:** Easement Closure

**Bill Summary:** The ordinance closes, abandons and/or disclaims a portion of an easement for drainage located at 9889 Parkway North in Council District 4, as established in Plat Book 51, page 6, Deerwood Park North, in the public records of Duval County, at the request of Andre El Bahri, to allow for the construction of a cell tower.

**Background Information:** The closure and abandonment of this drainage easement is requested to allow for the construction of a cell tower. The subject portion of the drainage easement is 20 feet by 112 feet. City drainage facilities lie outside the subject portion and access to the drainage facility will not be impeded. There were no objections to the closure of the drainage easement by the Right of Way and Stormwater Maintenance Division, Public Works Department.

**Policy Impact:** Public Works/Real Estate

**Fiscal Impact:** The applicant for the easement closure has paid a \$1,066.00 closure application processing fee.

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-598

**Sponsor:** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

**Committee(s) of Reference:** TEU

**Date of Analysis:** August 25, 2017

**Type of Action:** R/W Closure

**Bill Summary:** The ordinance closes, abandons and/or disclaims a portion of a right-of-way for drainage located adjacent to 9943 Beach Boulevard, Lot 11, Southside Estates Unit 29 (R.E. # 125010-0000), established by Plat Book 25, page 43 of the public records of Duval County, dated August 4, 1954, in Council District 4, at the request of Bomar Acquisitions & Enterprise, LLC, subject to reservation unto the City of Jacksonville and JEA of an easement over the right-of-way for ingress and egress and for all utilities.

**Background Information:** The closure is requested to clear an encroachment and to allow for additional parking for the business. The area to be closed and abandoned is approximately 480 square feet. There were no objections to the closure of the right-of-way by the adjacent landowner, JEA.

**Policy Impact:** Public Works/Real Estate

**Fiscal Impact:** The applicant has paid a \$2,091.00 closure application processing fee.

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-599

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 21, 2017

**Type of Action:** Appropriation of continuation grant funds

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates an additional \$334,341.00 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, as initiated by B.T. 18-009.

**Background Information:** ESG funds are provided via formula allocation to grantees by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City is required to match ESG funds with an equal amount of cash and noncash contributions, which may include donated buildings, materials, and volunteer services. The City accomplishes this match requirement through programs and funding provided by the Social Services Division of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department.

The funds allow the organization to engage homeless individuals and families living on the street; improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; help operate the shelters; provide essential services to shelter residents; rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families, and prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless.

The original FY17 ESG allocation was \$506,560.00 Congress appropriated additional funds in the FY17 budget to assist communities that lost significant resources, in 2016, to service the homeless population. The additional funds are designated rapid re-housing and all other eligible ESG activities.

**Policy Impact Area:** Homelessness

**Fiscal Impact:** The appropriation of \$334,341.00, as initiated by B.T. 18-009.

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-600

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 24, 2017

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; authorizing execution of special counsel engagement letter

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$3,217,826 from closed, de-appropriated Better Jacksonville Plan projects to the BJP Tree Mitigation account (\$1,717,826) and the BJP Real Estate Matters account (\$1,500,000). The bill provides for a reversion of any unused funds to the account of origin. It authorizes execution of an engagement letter with the law firm Nelson Mullins Riley and Scarborough, LLP to represent the City in BJP-related real estate matters.

**Background Information:** The Better Jacksonville Plan, approved by voter referendum in 2000, anticipated that tree mitigation funds would be payable due to the removal of certain protected trees during the construction of several road projects. BJP projects also required acquisition of real estate, in some cases by use of eminent domain. Funds for this appropriation will be provided by current BJP sales tax revenues deposited into excess budget capacity allocations captured from completed and closed BJP projects that have been transferred to a De-appropriated Projects reserve account within the BJP Construction fund. This fund is an all-years fund and the funding will provide monies to satisfy tree mitigation obligations and close out real estate matters related to completed BJP roadways. Any remaining funds not needed for such costs and fees will be returned to the reserve account.

The bill approves a professional services contract with the Nelson Mullins law firm to represent the City in BJP-related real estate matters and states that \$750,000 is allocated to costs and professional fees related to BJP Public Works road improvement costs and another \$750,000 is specifically for the completion of the road improvement costs.

NOTE: the legal services agreement with Nelson Mullins attached to the bill contains a blank for the "not-to-exceed" contract amount.

**Policy Impact Area:** Better Jacksonville Plan costs

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates \$3,217,826 - \$1,717,826 to the BJP Tree Mitigation account and \$1,500,000 to real estate acquisition costs and legal expenses.

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-601

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

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 24, 2017

**Type of Action:** Appropriation

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$5,298,415.60, (\$2,426,922.31 in FY15-16 year-end recapture funds and \$2,871,493.29 of FY15-16 Residual Net Cash Surplus in 4K1 City Venues – City) to a variety of accounts to use positive year-end fund balances in some accounts to correct negative balances in others.

**Background Information:** Section 11.16 of the FY16-17 budget ordinance (2016-504-E) required the Director of Finance and Administration to report to the Council Auditor all subfunds that ended the year with negative fund balance, for transmission to the Council Finance Committee along with a list of recommendations of which subfunds should be supplemented with available fund balance resources before the remainder of the year-end fund balance was allocated to the City's Operating Reserve and Emergency Reserve accounts. The Auditor's Office recommends that deficits in the Equestrian Center – City, Equestrian Center - SMG, City Venues – SMG and Clerk of the Courts – Technology Recording Fees accounts be covered by FY15-16 fund balances before the remainder is deposited into the reserve accounts. \$2,426,922.31 of the allocation will cover deficits incurred in FY15-16; \$2,871,493.29 will cover cash deficits created when six subfunds (separate funds for each of the SMG-operated venues) were merged into a unified Subfund 4K1 – City Venues-City.

**Policy Impact Area:** Elimination of negative year-end fund balances

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates \$5,298,415.60 in FY15-16 year-end fund balances from several accounts to cover negative balances in other funds.

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-604

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Sheriff

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 21, 2017

**Type of Action:** Appropriation

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$1,698,996.60 in existing Sheriff's Office Inmate Welfare funds to establish the operating budget for the Inmate Welfare Trust Fund for FY17-18, as initiated by B.T. 18-008.

**Background Information:** The Inmate Welfare Fund receives the net proceeds from the operation of the commissaries at the City's correctional facilities and uses those funds "only for the overall welfare of the inmates" for purposes authorized under Sec. 951.23, *Florida Statutes*. The funds are from projected FY16-17 year-end available revenues and FY17-18 revenues. An Inmate Welfare Fund Committee makes recommendations on the use of the funds, with the ultimate decision from the JSO's Director of Corrections. The funds are calculated from actual net revenue plus net de-appropriations to determine how much is available for expenditure in the upcoming fiscal year.

**Policy Impact Area:** Inmate Welfare Trust Fund use

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates \$1,698,996.60, as initiated by B.T. 18-008.

**Analyst:** Mitchell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-605

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

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 24, 2017

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; fiscal year carry-over; amendment to prior ordinance; invocation of Procurement Code exception for directed procurement; authorizing execution of contracts; designating oversight agency; requesting emergency action on first reading

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$1,920,000 from the Contingency for Pension – Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability account in the General Fund/General Services District to the Jacksonville Children’s Commission to provide funding for additional afterschool program locations around the city, and authorizes carry-over of the funds to FY17-18. It amends the FY16-17 budget ordinance (2016-504-E) to substitute new Schedules A-2 (Jacksonville Children’s Commission Schedule of Funding to Agencies for Children’s Programs) and M (Jacksonville Children’s Commission comprehensive budget). The bill invokes the Procurement Code exception in Sec. 126.107 – Exemptions – that permits supplies or services to be acquired without a competitive procurement process if the authorizing legislation that makes appropriation for the acquisition specifically prescribes the supplier. The bill authorizes the administration and the Jacksonville Children’s Commission to execute contracts with 7 designated service providers to operate programs at 18 locations citywide totaling 1,280 additional seats. The Children’s Commission is designated as the City’s oversight agency. Emergency approval on first reading is requested in order to have the programs placed into operation as soon as possible, since the school year has already begun.

**Background Information:** The Jacksonville Children’s Commission rebid all of its afterschool programs for the 2017-18 school year, providing more money per child to improve the quality of the services being provided by the programs while serving fewer children at fewer sites. Council members and the mayor have made several proposals to find available funding sources to restore or expand on the capacity that was lost. This bill proposes to use \$1.92 million from the Contingency for Pension – Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability account established in the FY16-17 budget. The contingency was created to fund the supplemental pension liability payments the City agreed to make prior to the passage of the comprehensive pension reform program. With the passage of that plan, no supplemental payments will be made, leaving this contingency fund available for reallocation.

**Policy Impact Area:** Children’s afterschool programming opportunities

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates \$1,920,000 from the Contingency for Pension – Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability account.

**Analyst:** Clements



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2017-606

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 21, 2017

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; fund carryover authorization; approving employee positions

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates \$4,769,605.98 in State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) funds (\$3,964,988.00 in grant proceeds and \$822,617.98 in program income), as initiated in B.T. 17-233; provides carryover from year to year until funds expended; and approves funding employee positions, as initiated by R.C. 17-247.

**Background Information:** SHIP funds are allocated annually by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to Florida counties as an incentive to create partnerships that produce and preserve affordable homeownership and multifamily housing. The program is geared to serve very low to moderate income households. The expense can include, but not limited to, emergency repairs, new construction, rehabilitation, down payment and closing cost assistance, matching dollars for federal housing grants and programs, and homeownership counseling. The City intends to allocate the construction-related funding as follows:

Special Needs Housing	\$1,500,00.00
Purchase/Down Payment Assistance	\$404,998.02
Owner Occupied Rehab – Limited Repairs	\$353,471.18
Owner Occupied Rehab – Utility Tap-In	\$450,000.00
Northeast Florida Community Action Agency	\$142,500.00
Beaches Habitat for Humanity	\$559,600.00

**Non-construction activities**

City of Jacksonville - Administration	\$394,698.80
Family Foundations - Homebuyer Counseling & F.L.	\$16,720.00
Habitat for Humanity - Homebuyer Counseling & F.L.	\$65,000.00
Jacksonville Urban League - Homebuyer Counseling & F.L. (Financial Literacy = F.L.)	\$65,000.00

The grant period is three years from July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2020. There are ten (10) positions which will transfer after prior year funds have been expended.

**Policy Impact Area:** Affordable housing programs

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates \$3,946,988.00, as initiated by B.T. 17-133.

**Analyst:** Mitchell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2017-608

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the KingSoutel Community Redevelopment Agency

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 21, 2017

**Type of Action:** Approving a finding of necessity to establish a redevelopment plan

**Bill Summary:** This resolution is in regards to the KingSoutel Crossing (KSC) Community Redevelopment Area finding that slum and blighted conditions exist to approximately 1,100 feet of Norfolk Boulevard right-of-way that qualifies for the rehabilitation and redevelopment of the KSC area, which is necessary for the best interest of public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City.

**Background Information:** The City previously adopted separate Finding of Necessity studies for Soutel/Moncrief Retail Redevelopment Area and New Kings Road Corridor. In 2008, the redevelopment plan was modified to including both areas and renamed KSC. The intersection of Soutel Drive and Norfolk Boulevard is a primary gateway from the neighborhood with the only potential to become a more pedestrian-oriented shopping street for a mix of shops, recreation uses, and housing. The expansion of the KSC area is needed to complete the overall project.

**Policy Impact Area:** Planning and Development Department, Office of Economic Development

**Fiscal Impact:** Undetermined

**Analyst:** Mitchell

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2017-609

**Sponsor:** Council Members Crescimbeni, Hazouri and Brosche:

**Date of Introduction:** August 22, 2017

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

**Date of Analysis:** August 25, 2017

**Type of Action:** Resolution to State Legislature

**Bill Summary:** The resolution urges the Florida Legislature to enact legislation that establishes texting while driving as a primary offense; it directs the Legislative Services Division to circulate the resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker and Members of the Duval Delegation.

**Background Information:** Distracted driving is driving while performing another task that shifts the driver's attention away from driving. Texting while driving is a form of distracted driving. Texting while driving makes the likelihood of a crash or accident 23 times greater than driving while not distracted. In 2015, 3,477 people died in crashes in the United States involving distracted drivers, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Florida ranks as the second-worst in the nation for distracted driving. In December 2011, the National Transportation Safety Board urged all states to prohibit the use of cellular telephones and text messaging while behind the wheel of a motor vehicle. During the 2013 regular session, the Florida Legislature enacted the Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law, which made texting while driving a noncriminal traffic infraction. Currently, 47 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands have banned texting while driving for all drivers. Of the 47 states that have banned texting while driving, all but four have made texting while driving a primary offense. Florida is among the four states that do not enforce texting while driving as a primary offense, but rather as a secondary offense. This resolution urges the Florida Legislature to enact legislation that would make texting while driving a primary offense.

**Policy Impact:** Florida Legislature

**Fiscal Impact:** Minimal

**Analyst:** Jackson

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2017-612

**Sponsor:** Council President Brosche

**Date of Introduction:** August 18, 2017

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** August 22, 2017

**Type of Action:** Reappointment Confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the joint reappointment, by the Mayor, Council President, School Board Chair and School Superintendent, of Theodore R. "T.R." Hainline, Jr., as a member and chair of the Joint Planning Committee, for a sixth two-year term ending June 30, 2019.

**Background Information:** The Joint Planning Committee was established by Resolution 2001-65-A to serve as an advisory body to the Duval County School Board and the City Council for site selection and utilization of schools, libraries, parks and community centers.

The Interlocal Agreement, authorized and amended by Resolution 2003-430-A and Ordinance 2007-1183-E, provides that the chair of the committee shall be a resident of Duval County and appointed jointly by the Mayor, Council President, School Board Chair and School Superintendent.

Mr. Hainline received a law degree from Duke University and is an attorney with *Rogers Towers Attorneys at Law*. He has previously served on the Mobility Planning Committee and the Mayor's Commission on Base Realignment and Closure. Mr. Hainline resides in the Ortega Forest area within Council District #14.

**Attendance:** According to records provided by the staff for the Joint Planning Committee, Mr. Hainline has attended 100% (6 of 6) of the meetings during his current term from August 2015 – June 2017.

**Policy Impact Area:** Duval County School Board and City Council Joint Planning

**Fiscal Impact:** Anticipated to be minimal.

**Analyst:** Shoup