

LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET

DATE: 11/08/17

BT or RC No: BT18-027
(Administration & City Council Bills)

SPONSOR: Office of General Counsel
(Department/Division/Agency/Council Member)

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PURPOSE: White Paper (Explain Why this legislation is necessary? Provide; Who, What, When, Where, How and the Impact.) Council Research will complete this form for Council introduced legislation and the Administration is responsible for all other legislation. (Minimum of 350 words - Maximum of 1 page.)

Appropriate available FY17 budgetary expense balance from the Office of the Sheriff from the General Fund - GSD fund balance to pay settlement costs related to the JSO health services activity. The purpose of this legislation is to authorize the appropriation of \$275,000.00 to settle a federal court lawsuit, the caption of which is Deborah Jones v. City of Jacksonville (the "Jones Litigation"). The Plaintiff, Deborah Jones, a former employee of the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office ("JSO"), filed a lawsuit against the City of Jacksonville and JSO alleging age and sex discrimination and retaliation in violation of federal and state statutes which prohibit discrimination and retaliation. On September 28, 2017, the federal court denied the City's Motion for Summary Judgment, which would have the case be decided by a jury. The City's potential liability if the Plaintiff prevailed at trial could be in excess of \$500,000.00. Due to this risk and to avoid lengthy and expensive litigation and uncertain outcomes, the Administration and Sheriff Mike Williams authorized OGC to settle the case for \$275,000.00, pending City Council approval. As part of the settlement, the City agreed to obtain the City Council's approval within 60 days of the settlement, or by December 23, 2017.

APPROPRIATION: Total Amount Appropriated \$275,000.00 as follows:

List the source name and provide Object and Subobject Numbers for each category listed below:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in title of legislation)

Name of Federal Funding Source(s)	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____

Name of State Funding Source(s):	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____

Name of City of Jacksonville Funding Source(s):	From: General Fund - GSD fund balance	Amount: \$275,000.00
	To: Judgements, Claims and Losses Over \$50,000	Amount: \$275,000.00

Name of In-Kind Contribution(s):	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____

Name & Number of Bond Account(s):	From: _____	Amount: _____
	To: _____	Amount: _____

PLAIN LANGUAGE OF APPROPRIATION / FINANCIAL IMPACT / OTHER:

Explain: Where are the funds coming from, going to, how will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame? Will there be an ongoing maintenance? ... and staffing obligation? Per Chapters 122 & 106 regarding funding of anticipated post-construction operation costs.

(Minimum of 350 words - Maximum of 1 page.)

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ACTION ITEMS: Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

ACTION ITEMS:

Emergency? Yes No

Justification of Emergency: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of emergency.

Federal or State Mandate? Yes No

Explanation: If yes, explanation must include detailed nature of mandate including Statute or Provision.

Fiscal Year Carryover?

Note: If yes, note must include explanation of all-year subfund carryover language.

CIP Amendment?

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate CIP form(s). Include justification for mid-year amendment.

Contract / Agreement Approval?

Attachment & Explanation: If yes, attach the Contract / Agreement and name of Department (and contact name) that will provide oversight. Indicate if negotiations are on-going and with whom. Has OGC reviewed / drafted?

Related RC/BT?

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate RC/BT form(s).

Waiver of Code?

Code Reference: If yes, identify code section(s) in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper.

Code Exception?

Code Reference: If yes, identify code in box below and provide detailed explanation (including impacts) within white paper.

Related Enacted Ordinances?

Code Reference: If yes, identify related code section(s) and ordinance reference number in the box below and provide detailed explanation and any changes necessary within white paper.

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED: Purpose / Check List. If "Yes" please provide detail by attaching justification, and code provisions for each.

ACTION ITEMS: **Yes** **No**
Continuation of Grant?

Explanation: How will the funds be used? Does the funding require a match? Is the funding for a specific time frame and/or multi-year? If multi-year, note year of grant? Are there long-term implications for the General Fund?

Surplus Property Certification?

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate form(s).

Reporting Requirements?

Explanation: List agencies (including City Council / Auditor) to receive reports and frequency of reports, including when reports are due. Provide Department (include contact name and telephone number) responsible for generating

Division Chief: _____
(signature)

Date: _____

Prepared By: Wendy Byrdlow
(signature)

Date: 11/8/17

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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation.

Independent Agency Action Item:

Yes

No

Boards Action / Resolution?

Attachment: If yes, attach appropriate documentation. If no, when is board action scheduled?

FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED