**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2014-0013

**Sponsor:** Council Member Clark

**Date of Introduction:** January 14, 2014

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R,F, RCD

**Date of Analysis:** January 16, 2014

**Type of Action:** Appropriation

**Bill Summary:** The ordinance appropriates $60,000 from the Executive Operating Reserve Joint Account to contract directly with Conventions, Sports and Leisure International, LLC, to update the 2007 feasibility study for an expanded/new convention center in Jacksonville and exempts excluding the procurement process from competitive bidding pursuant to an exception in the Procurement Code.

**Background Information:** The appropriation provides funding for Conventions, Sports and Leisure International, LLC, to update their original research completed in 2007 for the Visit Jacksonville & the Beaches and the Jacksonville Convention Center Task Force to provide current findings and recommendations for expansion or new development of a convention center in Jacksonville. The basic tasks include business demand, market support and infrastructure analysis; industry trend analysis; building program and event levels analysis, financial operating analysis; community economic impact analysis; and preparation of reports/presentations.

**Policy Impact:** Downtown Development Authority

**Fiscal Impact:** The ordinance appropriates $60,000.00

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