

1 Introduced by Council Member Salem:
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4 **RESOLUTION 2026-816**

5 A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE COUNCIL'S SUPPORT
6 FOR LOCAL BILL J-1, TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE DUVAL
7 COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, WHICH WOULD AMEND
8 CHAPTER 2004-464, LAWS OF FLORIDA, AS AMENDED BY
9 CHAPTERS 2005-328 AND 2026-204, LAWS OF FLORIDA,
10 TO PROVIDE THAT THE JACKSONVILLE AVIATION
11 AUTHORITY ("JAA") SHALL TELEVISION AND/OR LIVE-
12 STREAM ALL MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF JAA
13 AND POST AN AUDIO-VISUAL RECORDING OF SAID
14 MEETINGS IN A CONSPICUOUS LOCATION ON JAA'S
15 OFFICIAL WEBSITE WITHIN THREE BUSINESS DAYS OF
16 A MEETING, AND WOULD AMEND CHAPTER 2004-465,
17 LAWS OF FLORIDA, TO PROVIDE THAT THE
18 JACKSONVILLE PORT AUTHORITY ("JAXPORT") SHALL
19 TELEVISION AND/OR LIVE-STREAM ALL MEETINGS OF THE
20 GOVERNING BODY OF JAXPORT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
21 WORKSHOPS, AND POST AN AUDIO-VISUAL RECORDING OF
22 SAID MEETINGS IN A CONSPICUOUS LOCATION ON
23 JAXPORT'S OFFICIAL WEBSITE WITHIN THREE BUSINESS
24 DAYS OF A MEETING; PROVIDING FOR THE STATE J-
25 BILL PROCESS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE LOCAL
26 PROPONENT; DIRECTING THE DUVAL DELEGATION
27 COORDINATOR TO FORWARD TO CIVIC PLUS A COPY OF
28 ANY SPECIAL ACT OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE THAT
29 WOULD EFFECTUATE THIS REQUEST; PROVIDING AN
30 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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1 **WHEREAS**, the Jacksonville Aviation Authority (the "JAA") and the
2 Jacksonville Port Authority ("JAXPORT") were both established as
3 independent authorities within the Consolidated Government of the
4 City of Jacksonville; and

5 **WHEREAS**, JAA was created to operate, manage, and control all of
6 the publicly owned airports and ancillary facilities located within
7 Duval County and JAXPORT was created to operate, manage, and control
8 the publicly owned seaport and ancillary facilities located within
9 Duval County; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the responsibilities of both JAA and JAXPORT are
11 substantial and the impact of the decisions made by the governing
12 bodies of both JAA and JAXPORT on the residents and visitors of Duval
13 County and the surrounding areas is significant; and

14 **WHEREAS**, in light of the above, it is imperative that the
15 governing bodies of both JAA and JAXPORT hold their meetings in the
16 most open and transparent manner practicable for the benefit of the
17 public and citizens of the City of Jacksonville; now therefore

18 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

19 **Section 1. Support of Local Bill J-1.** The Council hereby
20 expresses its support for Local Bill J-1 to be considered by the
21 Duval County Legislative Delegation for the 2027 State Legislative
22 Session. Said Local Bill J-1 would amend Chapter 2004-464, Laws of
23 Florida, as amended by Chapters 2005-328 and 2026-204, Laws of
24 Florida, to provide that the governing body of the Jacksonville
25 Aviation Authority ("JAA") shall televise and/or live-stream all
26 meetings of the governing body of JAA including, but not limited to,
27 regular meetings, special meetings, formal and informal workshops,
28 committee meetings, and subcommittee meetings. JAA shall be required
29 to make available to the public in a conspicuous location on JAA's
30 official website an audio-visual recording of all meetings of the
31 governing body of JAA within three business days of the conclusion

1 of a meeting. In addition, Local Bill J-1 amends Chapter 2004-465,
2 Laws of Florida, to provide that the governing body of the
3 Jacksonville Port Authority ("JAXPORT") shall televise and/or live-
4 stream all meetings of the governing body of JAXPORT including, but
5 not limited to, regular meetings, special meetings, committee
6 meetings, and subcommittee meetings, with the exception that
7 workshops, whether formal or informal, shall not be required to be
8 televised or live-streamed. JAXPORT is further required to make
9 available to the public in a conspicuous location on JAXPORT's
10 official website an audio-visual recording of all meetings of the
11 governing body of JAXPORT, with the exception of formal and informal
12 workshops, within three business days of the conclusion of a meeting.
13 A true and correct copy of said Local Bill J-1 is attached hereto as
14 **Exhibit 1.**

15 **Section 2. State J-Bill Process and Responsibilities of**
16 **Local Proponent.** The House of Representatives sponsor will deliver
17 Local Bill J-1 to House Bill Drafting. The local proponent will be
18 responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Bill Filing
19 Manual including, but not limited to, advertising and public hearing
20 requirements. The Duval Delegation Local Bill hearing will occur on
21 November 13, 2026, in the City Council Chamber.

22 **Section 3. Directing the Duval Delegation Coordinator to**
23 **Forward to Civic Plus a Copy of Any Special Act of the State**
24 **Legislature Which Effectuates this Request.** The Duval Delegation
25 Coordinator is hereby directed to forward to Civic Plus, formerly
26 known as "Municode," a copy of any Special Act of the State
27 Legislature that effectuates the amendments to the City Charter of
28 the City of Jacksonville, or any part thereof, proposed herein so
29 that, if approved, the amendments can be catalogued in Article 4
30 (Jacksonville Aviation Authority) and Article 5 (Jacksonville Port
31 Authority), Part B - Related Laws, of the Charter and Related Laws

1 of the City of Jacksonville.

2 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
3 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
4 without the Mayor's signature.

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6 Form Approved:

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8 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

9 Office of General Counsel

10 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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CHAPTER 2027-____

House Bill No. _____

An act relating to the Jacksonville Aviation Authority and the Jacksonville Port Authority, Consolidated City of Jacksonville, Duval County; amending ch. 2004-464, Laws of Florida, as amended by ch. 2005-328 and ch. 2026-204, Laws of Florida; providing that the Jacksonville Aviation Authority shall televise and/or live-stream all meetings of the governing body of the authority, including, but not limited to, regular meetings, special meetings, formal and informal workshops, committee meetings, and subcommittee meetings; requiring the Jacksonville Aviation Authority to make available to the public in a conspicuous location on the authority's official website an audio-visual recording of all meetings of the governing body of the Jacksonville Aviation Authority within three business days of the conclusion of a meeting; amending ch. 2004-465, Laws of Florida; providing that the Jacksonville Port Authority shall televise and/or live-stream all meetings of the governing body of the authority, including, but not limited to, regular meetings, special meetings, committee meetings, and subcommittee meetings, with the exception that workshops, whether formal or informal, shall not be required to be televised or live-streamed; requiring the Jacksonville Port Authority to make available to the public in a conspicuous location on the authority's official website an audio-visual recording of all meetings of the governing body of the Jacksonville Port Authority, with the exception of formal and informal workshops, within three business days of the conclusion of a meeting; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 1 of chapter 2004-464, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapter 2005-328 and chapter 2026-204, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

ARTICLE 4

JACKSONVILLE AVIATION AUTHORITY

Section 1. Creation of Jacksonville Aviation Authority.

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- (3) The authority shall elect a chair, vice chair, secretary, and treasurer from its members, and such other officers it deems proper, not necessarily from its members, to perform such duties as the authority may direct. Four members of the authority shall constitute a quorum for the authority, but at least four members of the authority must approve any action to be taken by the authority. Resolutions adopted by the vote of at least four members of the authority shall become effective without further action by the authority. Each member of the authority shall have one vote. The yeas and nays shall be called and entered upon the minutes of each meeting upon the passage of every resolution or other action of the authority. The authority may meet at such times and places designated by it but shall hold regular meetings as necessary and generally once a month. Special meetings of the authority may be called upon the call of its chair or any three members of the authority. The governing body of the authority should hold its meetings in the most open and transparent manner practicable for the benefit of the public and the citizens of the City of Jacksonville. The authority shall televise and/or live-stream all meetings of the governing

body of the authority, including, but not limited to, regular meetings, special meetings, formal and informal workshops, committee meetings, and subcommittee meetings. The authority shall make available to the public in a conspicuous location on its official website an audio-visual recording of all meetings of the governing body of the authority within three business days of the conclusion of a meeting. The members of the authority shall not be entitled to compensation, but members and employees of the authority shall be entitled to payment of reasonable expenses as provided by the council of the City of Jacksonville.

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Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 1 of chapter 2004-465, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

ARTICLE 5

JACKSONVILLE PORT AUTHORITY

Section 1. Creation of Jacksonville Port Authority.

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- (3) The authority shall elect a chair, vice chair, secretary, and treasurer from its members, and such other officers it deems proper, not necessarily from its members, to perform such duties as the authority may direct. Four members of the authority shall constitute a quorum for the authority, but at least four members of the authority must approve any action to be taken by the authority. Resolutions adopted by the vote of at least four members of the authority shall become effective without further action by the authority. Each member of the authority shall have one vote. The yeas and nays shall be called and entered upon the minutes of each meeting upon the passage of every resolution or other action of the authority. The authority may meet at such times and places designated by it but shall hold regular meetings as necessary, and generally once a month. Special meetings of the authority may be called upon the call of its chair or any three members of the authority. The governing body of the authority should hold its meetings in the most open and transparent manner practicable for the benefit of the public and the citizens of the City of Jacksonville. The authority shall televise and/or live-stream all meetings of the governing body of the authority, including, but not limited to, regular meetings, special meetings, committee meetings, and subcommittee meetings, with the exception that workshops, whether formal or informal, are not be required to be televised or live-streamed. The authority shall make available to the public in a conspicuous location on its official website an audio-visual recording of all meetings of the governing body of the authority, with the exception of formal or informal workshops, within three business days of the conclusion of a meeting. The members of the authority shall not be entitled to compensation but members and employees of the authority shall be entitled to payment of reasonable expenses as provided by the council of the City of Jacksonville.

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Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.