

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2026-350

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

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2026

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 27, 2026

Type of Action: Appointment confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Lanelle Phillmon to the Duval County Election Advisory Panel, filling a seat formerly held by Cynthia Alfred, for a first full term ending April 16, 2029.

Background Information: The Duval County Election Advisory Panel is established pursuant to Chapter 59, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study and make recommendations regarding the quality of voter registration and education efforts and ways to enhance the voter's election-day experience, including poll worker training, polling locations, ballot styles, and fraud prevention; evaluate and recommend improvements on the election effectiveness, including number of overvotes, undervotes and spoiled ballots, voter complaints, and voter turnout; review and comment on ballot styles, instructions and absentee ballot appearance; and make an annual report to Council on progress.

Section 59.103, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the Duval County Election Advisory Panel shall be Duval County registered voters, and that three members are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

Ms. Phillmon holds an MBA from Columbia Southern University. She is a retired Navy veteran (Command Master Chief), serves as a community employment coordinator for the VA, and is a member of the League of Women Voters. Ms. Phillmon resides, and is registered to vote in Duval County in council district 6.

Policy Impact Area: Duval County Election Advisory Panel operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey