

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2019-0510

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President Wilson

**Date of Introduction:** July 23, 2019

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

**Date of Analysis:** July 23, 2019

**Type of Action:** Appropriation of Funds

**Bill Summary:** The bill appropriates funds in the sum of \$400,000.00 to provide funding for the City of Jacksonville to be used as the city's contribution to the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce for FY 19-20. The transfer of these funds will be within the General fund – GSD as follows:

- **From:**
  - **Subfund Title:** General Fund – GSD
  - **Activity/Grant Title:** Contingency – Jacksonville Chamber
  - **Line Item:** Contingency
  - **Amount:** \$400,000.00
- **To:**
  - **Subfund Title:** General Fund – GSD
  - **Activity/Grant Title:** Citywide Municipal Dues and Affiliations
  - **Line Item:** Dues, Subscriptions and Memberships
  - **Amount:** \$400,000.00

**Background Information:** The purpose of the appropriation is to provide funding from the City to the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce to be used exclusively for the following: advertising, target industry marketing to brand our region's key sub-clusters and outreach to site selectors and corporate decision makers. The annual Chamber membership fee is ordinarily budgeted in the City's annual budget ordinance in a dues and memberships line item. However, because of the conflict of interest posed by his employment with the Chamber of Commerce, Council Member Aaron Bowman would have had to abstain from voting on the budget on this item which was funded therein. It was decided to put the annual membership appropriation into a separate ordinance from which Mr. Bowman can abstain from voting while voting on the rest of the budget separately.

**Policy Impact Area:** Contribution to the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce; voting conflict of interest

**Fiscal Impact:** Funding will be placed in Municipal Dues and Affiliations activity.

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