## CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2023-816

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

Date of Introduction: November 14, 2023

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

Date of Analysis: November 15, 2023

**Type of Action:** Appointment

**Bill Summary:** This bill appoints Jonathan L. Leysath to the Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission (JHCDC), as a representative from the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing, filling a seat formerly held by Sharol Pausal Noblejas, for a first full term ending November 30, 2027.

**Background Information:** The JHCDC is established pursuant to Chapter 34, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to provide oversight and guidance to the Housing and Community Development Division; make recommendations on all agreements entered into by the Housing and Community Development Division through the Neighborhoods Department for and on behalf of the City; conduct any required public hearings, undertake the review, take any and all required actions for compliance, and make recommendations to the Council for adoption (and authorize the transmittal) as required by section 420.9076, *Florida Statutes*; and conduct any required public hearings, undertake the review, take any and all required actions for compliance, and recommend to the Council for adoption (and authorize the transmittal) a "Consolidated Plan" as required by 24 CFR Part 91.

Section 34.203, *Ordinance Code*, provides that five of the members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Council, representing various categories related to affordable housing.

Mr. Leysath holds a bachelor's degree from Voorhees College in Denmark, SC and a master's degree from Southern Wesleyan University in South Carolina. He is the NE Florida Regional Manager of Self-Help Credit Union, which was chartered in 1983 to build a network of branches that partner with working families and communities often underserved by the financial marketplace. Mr. Leysath serves as the pastor of Life Changing Center International, Inc. and is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He resides in Duval County in council district 8.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission operations

**Fiscal Impact:** No direct cost to the City

**Analyst:** Hampsey



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