

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2020-0419

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Introduced by Council Member Boylan and Co-sponsored by Council Members Bowman, DeFoor, Dennis, Ferraro, Priestly Jackson, Salem and Wilson

Date of Introduction: July 28, 2020

Committee(s) of Reference: R, TEU

Date of Analysis: July 28, 2020

Type of Action: Amending and repealing multiple sections of Article 21 (JEA) of the City Charter; providing for codification instructions; providing proviso language regarding 2020-100-E

Bill Summary: The bill repeals three (3) sections in their entirety from Article 21 (JEA) of the City Charter:

- Section 21.03 (Composition; compensation; officers; meetings)
- Section 21.08 (Employees)
- Section 21.09 (Awards of contracts)

The bill amends Article 21 (JEA) of the City Charter by adding five (5) new sections:

- Section 21.03 (Composition; compensation; officers; meetings)
- Section 21.08 (Employees; managing director; employment contract restrictions)
- Section 21.09 (Procurement generally; contracts generally)
- Section 21.11 (Privatization, sale, reorganization, service territory transfer prohibited)
- Section 21.12 (Public engagement)

The bill renumbers the remaining sections of Article 21 (JEA) accordingly. Proviso language regarding 2020-100-E has been provided as it pertains to the outcome of the public referendum being held on November 3, 2020. The Codifier and the Office of General Counsel are authorized and directed to make all changes to Article 21 (JEA) consistent with this legislation.

Background Information: This legislation is the culmination of City Council efforts to address recent issues regarding the structure, management, and potential sale or reorganization of JEA. Multiple special committees and Council workshops were established during FY 2019-2020 to address JEA concerns, including the Future of JEA Lunch and Learn Workshops chaired by Council Member Boylan, the Special Investigatory Committee On JEA Matters chaired by Council Member Diamond, and many other Council Member noticed meetings regarding JEA.

Policy Impact Area: JEA; City Charter

Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impacts anticipated

Analyst: Baltiero