

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2020-0177

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

Date of Introduction: March 10, 2020

Committee(s) of Reference: F, JWW, NCSPHS, TEU

Date of Analysis: March 10, 2020

Type of Action: Execution of Conservation Easement; establishing oversight

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the Mayor to execute and deliver on behalf of the City, the Deed of Conservation Easement (CE) between the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) and the City of Jacksonville. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services will oversee the project.

Background Information: The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department is developing the new Southside Senior Center at Beach and Peach Urban Park (Council District 4) which was funded in CIP FYI 17-18 and FY18-19. The design of the facility includes wetland impacts which are unavoidable due to site constraints. In order to obtain the necessary project permits from SJRWMD, a Conservation Easement is required over approximately 0.25 acres to off-set the adverse impacts. The City will need to preserve the CE area in its natural condition in perpetuity.

Policy Impact Area: City parks, Council District 4

Fiscal Impact: No funds are needed or financial impact for executing the Conservation Easement.

Analyst: Baltiero