

1 Introduced by Council Member Salem and Co-Sponsored by Council Member
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5 **ORDINANCE 2024-930-E**

6 AN ORDINANCE REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO THE
7 GOVERNING BODY OF JEA; AMENDING SECTION 21.03
8 (COMPOSITION; COMPENSATION; OFFICERS;
9 MEETINGS), ARTICLE 21 (JEA), *CITY CHARTER*, TO
10 ALLOW A LIMITED EXCEPTION TO THE REQUIREMENT
11 THAT MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF
12 JEA BE RESIDENTS AND ELECTORS OF THE CITY TO
13 PROVIDE THAT ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR
14 AND CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL AND ONE MEMBER
15 NOMINATED BY THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND CONFIRMED
16 BY COUNCIL MAY RESIDE OUTSIDE THE CITY BUT MUST
17 EITHER RESIDE WITHIN THE JEA SERVICE TERRITORY
18 OR MAINTAIN A SUBSTANTIAL ECONOMIC BUSINESS
19 INTEREST WITHIN THE JEA SERVICE TERRITORY AS
20 DETERMINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR
21 CODIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS; PROVIDING AN
22 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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24 **WHEREAS**, JEA is the largest community-based utility in the
25 state of Florida, serving Duval County and portions of its surrounding
26 counties and municipalities with electric, water and wastewater
27 utilities; and

28 **WHEREAS**, the governing body of JEA (the "JEA Board") is
29 responsible for, and entrusted with, oversight of JEA to ensure the
30 organization operates in a manner consistent with its goals, strategic
31 objectives and core values; and

1 on the governing body of JEA, such member shall cease to be a
2 member and a vacancy shall exist on JEA. Any vacancy on the
3 governing body of JEA, however created, shall be filled for the
4 unexpired term in the same manner as the position was originally
5 filled, and the person filling the vacancy shall have and shall
6 retain all the qualifications prescribed for membership on JEA.
7 Any member appointed to the governing body of JEA for two
8 consecutive full terms shall not be eligible for the succeeding
9 term. The members appointed by the mayor may be removed by the
10 mayor at any time with or without cause, but a removal must be
11 approved by a two-thirds vote of the council. The members
12 appointed by the council may be removed by the council at any time
13 with or without cause, but a removal must be approved by a
14 two-thirds vote of the council.

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16 **Section 2. Codification Instructions.** The Codifier and the
17 Office of General Counsel are authorized to make all chapter and
18 division "tables of contents" consistent with the changes set forth
19 herein. Such editorial changes and any others necessary to make the
20 *Ordinance Code* consistent with the intent of this legislation are
21 approved and directed herein, and changes to the *Ordinance Code* shall
22 be made forthwith and when inconsistencies are discovered.

23 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
24 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
25 without the Mayor's signature.

26 Form Approved:

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28 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

29 Office of General Counsel

30 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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