

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2019-705

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: September 24, 2019

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 24, 2019

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Ian A. Brown as a member of the Planning Commission, replacing Ben Davis as the Planning District #5 representative, for a first term ending September 30, 2022.

Background Information: The Planning Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 30, Part 2, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to review proposed land use changes, text changes to the Comprehensive Plan, requests for exceptions, variances and waivers to the Zoning Code, appeals from written orders granting or denying an administrative deviation and written interpretations of the Zoning Code and final orders of the Cell Tower Review Committee and other matters related to land use and area planning which are referred to the Department or to the Commission pursuant to law; review and make recommendations to the Council on proposed changes to the Zoning Code, the Code of Subdivision Regulations and other land development regulations or amendments thereto, and with respect to all rezonings; review and make recommendations on plans and programs developed by the Planning Department; and serve as the local planning agency per 163.3174, F.S. and prepare the comprehensive plan.

Section 30.201(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the nine members of the Planning Commission shall be residents appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council, including one member residing in each City Planning District.

Mr. Brown has a Juris Doctor from the Florida Coastal School of Law and he is the Founder, Attorney and Broker at the Law Office of Ian A. Brown, PL & Brown Brothers Realty. He resides within Council District #5.

Policy Impact Area: Planning Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Distel