

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2024-752

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

**Date of Introduction:** September 10, 2024

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

**Date of Analysis:** September 9, 2024

**Type of Action:** Appointment confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Council President's appointment of Shamika Baker Wright, as a member of the Public Service Grant Council, replacing Courtney Weatherby-Hunter, for a first full term expiring December 31, 2026.

**Background Information:** The Public Service Grant Council is established pursuant to Chapter 80, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to review and assess the annual needs of the City for public services for a program not otherwise funded by City funds; recommend Priority Populations or Needs to the City Council; recommend the process by which recipients of Public Service Grants are selected each year; submit for review an appropriation request for Public Service Grants for the upcoming fiscal year; review, evaluate and score each Public Service Grant application; participate in on-site evaluations of recipient programs; attend orientation sessions the annual training course, ethics, public records and open meeting laws training; and award and allocate the annual lump sum appropriation for Public Service Grants contained in the annual budget ordinance.

Section 80.102(a), *Ordinance Code*, specifies that the Public Service Grant Council shall consist of 15 voting members, 7 of whom shall be appointed by the City Council President and confirmed by City Council.

Ms. Baker Wright holds a bachelor's degree from FAMU. She works as the Executive Director of the Chamber Foundation and External Affairs for Jax Chamber. Ms. Baker Wright has gained grant experience through reviewing and scoring grants for Bank of America, Florida Blue and United Way. She resides in Duval County in council district 2.

**Policy Impact Area:** Public Service Grant Council operations

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

**Analyst:** Hampsey