

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2024-189

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

Date of Introduction: February 27, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 26, 2024

Type of Action: Reappointment confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of John D. Baker II as a member to the governing body of JEA, for a second full term to expire on February 28, 2028.

Background Information: JEA is established pursuant to Article 21, *Jacksonville Charter*, and authorized to own, manage and operate a utilities system within and without the City of Jacksonville. JEA is created for the express purposes of acquiring, constructing, operating, financing and otherwise have plenary authority with respect to electric, water, sewer, natural gas and such other utility systems as may be under its control now or in the future.

Section 21.03(a), *Jacksonville Charter*, provides that the seven members of the JEA Board are to be city residents and electors, four members shall be nominated by the council president and confirmed by the council, and three members shall be appointed by the Mayor and shall be confirmed by the council.

Mr. Baker holds a bachelor's degree from Princeton University and a law degree from the University of Florida. He is the Chief Executive Officer of FRP Holdings, Inc. Mr. Baker resides in, and is a registered voter of, Duval County, and lives in council district 7.

Attendance: Mr. Baker attended 33 of 35 (94%) meetings in his first term.

Policy Impact Area: JEA board operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City.

Analyst: Hampsey