CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-177

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

Date of Introduction: February 27, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: F, TEU

Date of Analysis: February 29, 2024

Type of Action: Authorization to execute roadway jurisdiction transfer agreement; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes the execution of a roadway jurisdiction transfer agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the City for the City to take over ownership and maintenance of the portion of University Boulevard North from the Arlington Expressway north to its intersection with Merrill Road. The Engineering and Construction Management Division of the Public Works Department is designated as the oversight agency for the agreement.

Background Information: As part of the revitalization plan for the Renew Arlington Community Redevelopment Area, the City plans to work with JEA to place the overhead utility wires underground along this stretch of University Boulevard and to improve the public sidewalks and curbs and gutters in order to support the private building façade and parking lot improvements that are part of the overall area revitalization effort. Ownership of the road will give the City greater latitude to customize the work to its preferences rather than being bound by FDOT standards.

Policy Impact Area: Roadway ownership; Renew Arlington initiative

Fiscal Impact: Undetermined

Analyst: Clements