

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2022-778

Sponsor: Council President Freeman

Date of Introduction: October 11, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: October 12, 2022

Type of Action: Reappointment

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints Wiatt T. Bowers, AICP, to the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc., in the “consumer” category, for a fourth term ending September 30, 2024.

Background Information: The Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc. is established pursuant to Section 408.033, *Florida Statutes*, and authorized to develop a district health plan; advise the state department on health care issues and resource allocations; promote public awareness of community health needs; collect data and conduct analyses and studies related to health care needs of the district; advise and assist local governments on the development of an optional health plan; and monitor and evaluate the adequacy, appropriateness and effectiveness of funds distributed to meet the needs of the medically indigent. The bylaws of the Health Planning Council provide that the Board of Directors shall be made up of health care consumers, providers and purchasers, with a provider being a licensed health care professional.

Mr. Bowers received a master’s degree in urban and regional planning from Florida State University and is a Senior Transportation Planner with *Atkins North America, Inc.* He also serves on TransForm Jax, JCCI, and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Florida. Mr. Bowers resides within Council District #7.

Attendance: Mr. Bowers attended 8 of the 10 meetings for an attendance record of 80%.

Policy Impact Area: Health Planning Council of Northeast, Inc. operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Distel