

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2023-439

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

**Date of Introduction:** July 25, 2023

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

**Date of Analysis:** July 24, 2023

**Type of Action:** Appointment and *Ordinance Code* waiver

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Travis Jeffrey as Chief of the Housing and Community Development Division within the Neighborhoods Department. The requirement in Section 34.202 (Chief of the Housing and Community Development Division), Part 2 (Housing and Community Development Division), Chapter 34 (Neighborhoods Department), *Ordinance Code* for the Chief to have a bachelor's degree or higher is waived.

**Background Information:** Section 34.202, *Ordinance Code*, specifies that there shall be a Chief of the Housing and Community Development Division who shall have a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college or university and at least five years of experience in affordable housing or in community planning, and have proven administrative experience. The Chief is to be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council.

Mr. Jeffrey does not hold a bachelor's degree, but he does have an associate of applied science degree from Tampa Technical Institute. Mr. Jeffrey has over 25 years' experience working for the City of Jacksonville in Housing and Community Department, serving as a housing rehabilitator supervisor, affordable housing administrator, and he is currently serving as the acting Chief of the Housing and Community Development Division. He resides in Duval County in council district 3.

**Policy Impact Area:** Neighborhoods Department operations

**Fiscal Impact:** The salary range for this position is \$102,806.32 - \$167,846.98 annually

**Analyst:** Hampsey