

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2026-355

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

Date of Introduction: April 28, 2026

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 29, 2026

Type of Action: Appointment confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the appointment of Jackie B. Scheel, as a JEA representative, to the Civil Service Board, filling a seat formerly held by Edythe M. Abdullah, for a partial term to expire on June 30, 2027. This appointment was approved by the JEA Board with a 7-0 vote on March 31, 2026 through Resolution 2026-14.

Background Information: The Civil Service Board is established pursuant to Article 17, *Jacksonville Charter*, and charged to periodically review the operation and effect of the personnel provisions of the charter, the classification plan, and the pay plan, and report their findings to the council and the mayor; hear and determine appeals initiated by employees who are charged with personnel violations; hear and determine complaints by employees and prospective employees concerning alleged violations of civil service rules or regulations with respect to hiring and promotion; hear and determine the grievance of persons covered by the civil service rules or the grievance of persons who may be entitled to be covered concerning any action taken which pertains to employment rights.

Section 17.02, *Jacksonville Charter*, provides that two of the members of the Civil Service Board shall be appointed by JEA, subject to the confirmation by the City Council.

Ms. Scheel served with JEA for 36 years in various capacities until her retirement, most recently as the Director, Water/Wastewater & Reuse Delivery and Collection. Ms. Scheel is a Duval County resident and resides in council district 12.

Policy Impact Area: Civil Service Board operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey