

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2024-175

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

**Date of Introduction:** February 27, 2024

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

**Date of Analysis:** February 29, 2024

**Type of Action:** Approval of executive branch reorganization; Ordinance Code amendments; appropriation; authorization of employee positions; approval of updated 1Cloud center list; provision for organizational chart; provision that authority, powers, duties, etc. of constitutional officers will not be diminished or enhanced

**Bill Summary:** The bill amends numerous chapters of the Ordinance Code to enact the Mayor's administrative reorganization of the City government. It appropriates \$91,261 to transfer funds from various accounts to provide for the Central Services Department Director's salary and benefits. It deletes/reclassifies/authorizes 8 positions for assignment to reorganized departments. The bill updates the 1Cloud Center accounting center list to reflect the reorganization. The Mayor is authorized to transfer property, records and personnel (excluding those positions confirmed by Council) to the reorganized departments as necessary to accomplish the reorganization. The bill states that the reorganization applies only to the executive branch of government and has no impact on the constitutional officers or independent authorities of the City. The Council Auditor's Office and Office of General Counsel are authorized to make such technical amendments as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of the reorganization as approved by Council, provided such changes have no fiscal impact.

**Background Information:** Ordinance Code Chapter 21 – Executive Branch, Generally – in Part 2 - Executive Branch Reorganization – requires a mayor to submit a reorganization plan and justification when a reorganization of the administrative departments is proposed. The submitted plan makes the following changes:

- Creates a new Chapter 23 – Central Services Department – incorporating the current Procurement Division, Fleet Management Division and Office of the Ombudsman (transferred from the Finance and Administration Department), and the Animal Care and Protective Services Division and Office of CityLink/630-CITY (transferred from the Neighborhoods Department). A new Office of the Director is created for the department.
- Amends Chapter 24 – Finance and Administration Department – to convert the Office of Grants and Compliance to a Grants and Contract Compliance Division.
- Amends Chapter 26 – Economic Development – to delete the Office of International Trade and create an Office of Equal Business Opportunity – Business Compliance and a Jacksonville Film and Television within the Office of Economic Development.
- Creates a new Chapter 27 – Sports and Entertainment Department – to include an Office of the Director and transfers the Office of Special Events from the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services.
- Amends Chapter 31 – Fire and Rescue Department – to create new positions of Deputy Fire Chief and Administrative Services Chief.
- Creates a new Chapter 35 – Technology Solutions Department – transferring the Information Technology Division from the Department of Finance and Administration and creating a new Office of the Director.

The bill deletes and replaces the following positions: Chief of Sports and Entertainment (becomes Director of Sports and Entertainment), Chief of Information Technologies (becomes Director of Technology Solutions),

Executive Assistant III/Library Services (becomes Director of Central Services), JFRD Manager of Administrative Services (becomes Chief of Administrative Services), and JFRD Manager/Assistant Fire Chief (becomes Deputy Director/Assistant Fire Chief). The following positions are deleted and reauthorized with the same title: JFRD Assistant Manager of Administrative Services, JFRD Manager of Emergency Preparedness, and JFRD Manager of EEO and Ethics.

The bill renames several hundred accounting centers in the 1Cloud financial management system to reflect the reorganization of the departments and divisions.

**Policy Impact Area:** Administrative reorganization

**Fiscal Impact:** The bill appropriates \$91,261 from various accounts to provide for the Central Services Department Director's salary and benefits.

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