CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2023-693

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

Date of Introduction: September 26, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 26, 2023

Type of Action: Appointment confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of James Croft, to the Public Service Grant Council, replacing James Coggin, for a first full term to expire on December 31, 2025.

Background Information: The Public Service Grant Council is established pursuant to Chapter 80, *Ordinance Code*, and charged with the review and evaluation of all Public Service Grant applications and responsibility for making funding recommendations to the Mayor and City Council for Public Service Grants.

Section 80.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides the Public Service Grant Council shall consist of 15 voting members, eight of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council and seven of whom shall be appointed by the City Council President and confirmed by City Council. Members of the Public Service Grant Council shall be chosen to provide community diversity and knowledge of needed services; shall demonstrate an interest in the impact of public service programs in the community, and a willingness to participate fully in the Public Service Grant application process. A minimum of two Mayoral appointees and two City Council appointees shall have prior experience with grant processes.

Mr. Croft holds a bachelor's degree from Jacksonville University and an MPA from UNF. He is an executive communications consultant for GuideWell and Florida Blue and he worked previously for the City of Jacksonville as a senior public affairs officer and assistant director of public affairs. Mr. Croft resides in Duval County in council district 12.

Policy Impact Area: Public Service Grant Council operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey

