

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2024-129

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

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, R

Date of Analysis: February 12, 2024

Type of Action: Appointment confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Thomas B. Waters as Director of the Neighborhoods Department of the City of Jacksonville.

Background Information: Section 34.101, *Ordinance Code*, establishes the Neighborhoods Department to include the Neighborhood Services Office, Housing and Community Development, Municipal Code Compliance, Environmental Quality, Mosquito Control, Animal Care and Protective Services Divisions, and the Office of City Link/630-City.

Section 34.102, *Ordinance Code*, establishes that there shall be a Director of the Neighborhoods Department, who shall have a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college or university and at least five years of experience in an administrative or executive position. The Director shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council.

Mr. Waters holds a bachelor's degree from FAMU. He has worked most recently as a consultant/founder of the SUMMIT-Center for Resources and Organizational Development, LLC. He worked previously for the City from 1991 - 2015 as a project manager (Public Works), grants administrator, and human services planner in the Community Development Division. Mr. Waters has served on the Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission, the Nassau County Essential Housing Advisory Committee and is a Life Member Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He resides in Duval County in council district 8.

Policy Impact Area: Neighborhood Department operations

Fiscal Impact: The salary range for this position is \$146,160.84 - \$238,629.96 annually

Analyst: Hampsey