

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2021-718

Sponsor: Council Member Ferraro

Date of Introduction: September 28, 2021

Committee(s) of Reference: JWC, NCSPHS, TEU

Date of Analysis: September 28, 2021

Type of Action: Contract Renewal

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes a Third Amendment to the contract with Jacksonville University to exercise a third additional one-year renewal of the Manatee Protection Studies. This contract term is for the services of Dr. A. Quinton White and Dr. Gerard Pinto for the continuing manatee protection studies.

Background Information: The City Council authorized the contract with Dr. White through Ordinance 2018-540-E, which invoked Section 126.107(g), Ordinance Code, to waive competitive solicitation and bidding due to Dr. White's expertise. Ordinance 2018-540-E provided for four (4) one-year renewals to the contract. The city has exercised renewal options in Ordinances 2019-645-E and 2020-588-E and now desires to enter a third renewal.

The delays brought on by COVID-19 which disrupted the University's ability to perform the data collection for the Study, the Study was initiated in Fiscal Year 2019/202, but not completed and the funds for the Study were carried over to Fiscal Year 2020/2021.

At their September 15, 2021, meeting, the Waterways Commission voted to recommend approval of the proposed contract renewal, including the completion of the study.

Policy Impact Area: Manatee Protection Study

Fiscal Impact: Total contract amount of \$450,000

Analyst: Distel