

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-626

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2024

Type of Action: Appointment confirmation, establishment of substantial philanthropic interest, waiver of *Ordinance Code* and Council Rule, and emergency passage upon introduction

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Cultural Council's appointment of Lisa V. Johnson to the Cultural Service Grant Committee, replacing Laura Schepis as a Cultural Council Board representative, for a partial term expiring December 31, 2024. The bill establishes the appointee's substantial philanthropic interest because although she does not reside within Duval County, Ms. Johnson currently serves in leadership roles for non-profit and philanthropic organizations based in and serving Duval County. Section 50.102(c), *Ordinance Code* is waived as to the requirement that the bill sponsor appear before the Rules Committee prior to the appearance of the appointee. Council Rule 4.1101 is waived as to the requirement that the appointee, prior to confirmation, be required to appear before the committee to which consideration of the appointment has been referred. Emergency passage upon introduction is requested to permit the appointee to be seated in time to participate in the Cultural Grant application review process.

Background Information: The Cultural Service Grant Program Committee is established pursuant to Chapter 118, Part 6, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to recommend to the Cultural Council Board of Directors the organizations to be funded through the Cultural Service Grant Program and the allocation of the lump sum appropriation to applicant organizations.

Section 118.605(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the Cultural Service Grant Program Committee is composed of one non-voting and ten voting members: a CSGP Committee chairperson (non-voting), appointed by the President of the Cultural Council Board of Directors; three other Cultural Council Board members selected by the Board President and Committee Chairperson; and seven individuals selected by the above group (Cultural Council Board President, CSGP Committee chairperson, and three selected Cultural Council Board members), confirmed by the City Council.

Ms. Johnson holds a bachelor's degree from Grambling State University and a master's in international business from the Kenan-Flagler School of Business at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. She is the Chief Technology Officer for IBM's Financial Services and the chair of the Cultural Council board. Ms. Johnson resides in St. Johns County.

Policy Impact Area: Cultural Service Grant Program Committee operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey