

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2019-862

Sponsor: Council President Wilson

Date of Introduction: November 26, 2019

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: November 25, 2019

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Marc Hardesty to the Jacksonville Waterways Commission, replacing Stephen C. Swann, P.E. for a first full term ending December 31, 2022.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Waterways Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 95, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study and make recommendations to the Council with respect to the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River and all tidal waters in Duval County; formulate an overall plan for dealing with any problems that exist concerning the St. Johns River; devise methods of developing future uses of the St. Johns River; serve as the Duval County committee to review rules proposed by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission governing speed and operation of motorboats to protect manatees; advise governmental units and the public concerning the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River; and act as a coordinating agency for programs and activities affecting the improvement, development and protection of the St. Johns River. Section 95.103(c), *Ordinance Code*, provides that nine of the members of the Jacksonville Waterways Commission shall be members of the general public appointed by the Council.

Mr. Hardesty has been a partner at Hardesty, Tyde, Green & Ashton, P.A. from 1994 to the present. He obtained his Juris Doctorate from Mercer University, Walter F. George School of Law in 1989. He resides in Council District #5.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Waterways Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Distel