

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2024-442

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

**Date of Introduction:** May 28, 2024

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** May 29, 2024

**Type of Action:** Appointment confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Kevin Luhrs to the Taxation Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission, replacing Clayton B. Levins, for a first full term to expire on June 30, 2026.

**Background Information:** The TRUE Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 57, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to act as an advisory body to the city concerning fiscal policy; improve the city's long-range financial soundness, planning budgeting, and management and to keep the public better informed about important issues related to city financing and budgeting; and may review any aspect of fiscal policy, including: the city's long-range financial soundness, planning budgeting, and management; the city's budgetary process, including taxation, revenue generation, expenditures, use of permit fees and user fees, bonding capacity, franchise fees, state and federal mandates, privatization, "zero based" financing and other similar topics; the appropriateness of each revenue source the city receives to make up its annual general revenue budget; potential new revenue sources, such as impact fees, and the use of any such funds; the pre- and post-retirement benefit structure for city employees and the potential impact on the financial status of the city; and other areas as the Commission may determine are appropriate and within their scope.

Section 57.102, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the Commission shall be residents of the county and six of the 18 members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

Mr. Luhrs holds a bachelor's degree and is in the process of earning his master's degree in public administration, from UNF. He worked on the campaign staff for Council Member Peluso last year and served previously as a Senator in UNF's Student Government. Mr. Luhrs resides in Duval County in council district 7.

**Policy Impact Area:** TRUE Commission operations

**Fiscal Impact:** No direct cost to the City

**Analyst:** Hampsey