

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2026-157

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

**Date of Introduction:** February 24, 2026

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

**Date of Analysis:** February 24, 2026

**Type of Action:** Appointment confirmation

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Supervisor of Elections' appointment of Edward L. Williams to the Duval County Election Advisory Panel, replacing Catherine L. Phillmon, for a first full term ending April 16, 2028.

**Background Information:** The Duval County Election Advisory Panel is established pursuant to Chapter 59, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study and make recommendations regarding the quality of voter registration and education efforts and ways to enhance the voter's election-day experience, including poll worker training, polling locations, ballot styles, and fraud prevention; evaluate and recommend improvements on the election effectiveness, including number of overvotes, undervotes and spoiled ballots, voter complaints, and voter turnout; review and comment on ballot styles, instructions and absentee ballot appearance; and make an annual report to Council on progress.

Section 59.103, *Ordinance Code*, provides that the members of the Duval County Election Advisory Panel shall be Duval County registered voters, and that three members designated by the Supervisor of Elections and confirmed by the City Council.

Mr. Williams is a system administrator for the Fleet Readiness Center Southeast (FRCSE) at Naval Air Station. He is a registered Duval County voter and resides in council district 8.

**Policy Impact Area:** Duval County Election Advisory Panel operations

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

**Analyst:** Hampsey