

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2021-278-E**

5 AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S  
6 APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER WALKER, A ST. JOHNS  
7 COUNTY RESIDENT WITH SUBSTANTIAL BUSINESS  
8 INTEREST IN DUVAL COUNTY, TO THE JACKSONVILLE  
9 HOUSING AUTHORITY, FILLING A SEAT FORMERLY  
10 HELD BY JONATHAN A. MCGOWAN, PURSUANT TO  
11 CHAPTER 51A, *ORDINANCE CODE*, FOR A PARTIAL  
12 TERM TO EXPIRE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021, FOLLOWED BY  
13 A FIRST FULL TERM TO EXPIRE SEPTEMBER 16,  
14 2025; PROVIDING FOR A NON-RESIDENT OF DUVAL  
15 COUNTY WITH SUBSTANTIAL ECONOMIC BUSINESS  
16 INTEREST TO BE SEATED ON THE JACKSONVILLE  
17 HOUSING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE  
18 DATE.  
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20 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

21 **Section 1. Confirmation.** The Council hereby confirms the  
22 Mayor's appointment of Christopher Walker, a St. Johns County  
23 Resident with substantial business interest in Duval County, to the  
24 Jacksonville Housing Authority, filling a seat formerly held by  
25 Jonathan A. McGowan, pursuant to Chapter 51A, *Ordinance Code*, for a  
26 partial term to expire September 16, 2021, followed by a first full  
27 term to expire September 16, 2025.

28 **Section 2. A Non-Resident of Duval County with**  
29 **substantial economic business interests in Duval County.** Section  
30 50.102 (Members of boards and commissions), *Ordinance Code*,  
31 requires Board and Commission members be either a Duval County

1 resident or individuals with substantial economic business or  
2 philanthropic interests in Duval County. Mr. Walker has substantial  
3 business interests in Duval County. Christopher Walker is the  
4 Partner in Charge and equity partner/owner in Lippes Mathias, which  
5 is based in Duval County. Since 2017, Lippes Mathias has grown from  
6 3 employees to over 40 full time employees, the majority of whom  
7 live in Duval County. Mr. Walker represents numerous individuals  
8 and businesses in Duval county and actively works to bring third  
9 party businesses and investments into Duval County.

10 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become  
11 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
12 without the Mayor's signature.

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14 Form Approved:

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16 /s/ Margaret M. Sidman

17 Office of General Counsel

18 Legislation Prepared By: Margaret M. Sidman

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