CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2024-778

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

Date of Introduction: September 24, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: September 24, 2024

Type of Action: Appointment confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Megan Ferer as an affected industry representative to the Environmental Protection Board, replacing David Wood, for a first full term to expire September 30, 2028.

Background Information: The Environmental Protection Board is established pursuant to Chapter 73, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study, promulgate and enforce appropriate rules for environmental protection; work in cooperation with the State and other agencies and groups interested in environmental quality control; investigate pollution control programs; conduct investigations and hearings on complaints; issue appropriate orders for enforcement of pollution standards; grant variances requested by pollution sources; general authority over the Groundwater and Surface Water Resource Management Program and the Hazardous Regulated Substance Program; and review and approve requests for Sustainable Building Certification Refund Grants.

Section 73.101, *Ordinance Code*, provides that five of the members of the board shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council in various categories including a representatives of industries affected by and subject to the Board's jurisdiction.

Ms. Ferer holds a bachelor's degree in environmental science and policy from the University of South Florida. She works for Coca-Cola Beverages Florida as an environmental health, safety and sustainability manager.

Policy Impact Area: Environmental Protection Board operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey