

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2023-282

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Freeman

Date of Introduction: April 25, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 24, 2023

Type of Action: Reappointment confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Council President's reappointment of Robert B. Maldonado to the Duval County Election Advisory Panel, for a second full term expiring April 16, 2026.

Background Information: The Duval County Election Advisory Panel is established pursuant to Chapter 59, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to study and make recommendations to the Supervisor of Elections to increase the quality of voter registration and education efforts; study and make recommendations to the Supervisor of Elections 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, including an incorporation of any statistics, charts, studies, reports, or other data and materials generated.

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

Mr. Maldonado is an attorney and Director of the Fair Housing Unit at Jacksonville Area Legal Aid (JALA). He earned his bachelor's degree and his JD from the University of Florida. Mr. Maldonado resides in Duval County in council district 8.

Attendance: Mr. Maldonado has an attendance record of 100%, he attended 11 of 11 meetings in his previous term from 4/17/2020 – 4/16/2023.

Policy Impact Area: Duval County Election Advisory Panel operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey