

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2025-848

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

Date of Introduction: November 12, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: November 13, 2025

Type of Action: Appointment confirmation and prospective effective date

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Sheriff's appointment of Christopher King, as Chief of the Technology and Operational Support Division within the Department of Police Services in the Office of the Sheriff. This appointment will become effective January 2, 2026.

Background Information: Section 37.106, *Ordinance Code* establishes the Department of Police Services within the Office of the Sheriff to provide central records, identification services, communications, civil process, budgeting and the administrative functions of the Sheriff's Office. Within the Department of Police Services, there are currently 2 Chief positions, for the Support Services and Budget Divisions. Section 37.102 specifies that division chiefs in the Sheriff's Office have a college degree or at least five years' training and experience, be appointed by the Sheriff and confirmed by the Council before the appointment becomes permanent.

Ordinance 2025-840, when approved, will create a third Chief position within the Department of Police Services, Chief of the Technology and Operational Support Division.

Commander King holds a bachelor's degree from UNF. He has served with JSO since 2000 in various capacities, including patrol officer, Homeland Security Detective, Bomb Squad Commander, Intelligence Lieutenant, Patrol Assistant Chief, and currently is the Commander of Special Operations.

Policy Impact Area: JSO operations

Fiscal Impact: This is a newly created position, but the comparable salary range for similar positions within the Department of Police Services is \$158,995.68 - \$259,584.72 annually.

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