

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-871

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member White

Date of Introduction: November 12, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: November 14, 2024

Type of Action: Council Rules amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Council Rule 4.505 – Disruption of Meeting- to expand the prohibition against political campaigning or electioneering in a meeting for a particular candidate to include a group of candidates, political party, or ballot initiative in any election in which electors of Duval County can vote. It adds the snapping of fingers and the waving of signs to the list of prohibited behaviors and demonstrations deemed to be disruptive to the orderly progress of a meeting and prohibits the non-waving display of a sign of any sort in excess of one square foot in size or in a manner which unreasonably obstructs the view of the dais for any member of the audience.

Background Information: The amendments add greater specificity to the list of prohibited behaviors that disrupt a council meeting for the sake of clarity.

Policy Impact Area: City Council meeting conduct

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements