

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Resolution 2023-642

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

**Date of Introduction:** September 12, 2023

**Committee(s) of Reference:** R

**Date of Analysis:** September 8, 2023

**Type of Action:** R

**Bill Summary:** This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Lamonte W. Carter to the Planning Commission, representing Planning District 6, replacing Donald Marshall Adkison, for a first full term to expire on September 30, 2026.

**Background Information:** The Planning Commission is established pursuant to Chapter 30, Part 2, *Ordinance Code*, and charged to review proposed land use changes, text changes to the Comprehensive Plan, requests for exceptions, variances and waivers to the Zoning Code, appeals from written orders granting or denying an administrative deviation and written interpretations of the Zoning Code and final orders of the Cell Tower Review Committee and other matters related to land use and area planning which are referred to the Department or to the Commission pursuant to law; review and make recommendations to the Council on proposed changes to the Zoning Code, the Code of Subdivision Regulations and other land development regulations or amendments thereto, and with respect to all rezonings; review and make recommendations on plans and programs developed by the Planning Department; and serve as the local planning agency per 163.3174, F.S. and prepare the comprehensive plan.

Sec. 30.201(a), *Ordinance Code*, provides for nine members, and three alternates, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council for a term of three years. Of the nine members and three alternates, one member shall be appointed from and shall be continuously throughout his term a resident of each City Planning District, and three members and the three alternates shall be appointed at-large and shall be residents of the city during their entire terms.

Mr. Carter holds a bachelor's degree from Albany State University, a master's degree in organizational management from the University of Phoenix, and a Juris Doctorate from Florida Coastal School of Law. He is the founding and managing partner at the Carter Firm PLLC. Mr. Carter resides in Duval County within Planning District 6.

**Policy Impact Area:** Planning Commission operations

**Fiscal Impact:** No direct cost to the City

**Analyst:** Hampsey