

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2025-158

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

Date of Introduction: February 25, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 25, 2025

Type of Action: Reappointment confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Charles Garrison to the Planning Commission as a Planning District 1 representative, filling a seat formerly held by Jack Meeks, 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, on the Planning Commission appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council. Each of the nine members shall be a resident of each City Planning District.

Mr. Garrison holds a bachelor's degree in finance from FSCJ and works as the Land Entitlement Manager at Century Communities. He served previously as a member of the Environmental Protection Board and the Jacksonville Housing & Community Development Commission. Mr. Garrison resides in Duval County in council district 7.

Policy Impact Area: Planning Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cos to the City

Analyst: Hampsey