CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2023-290

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Freeman

Date of Introduction: April 25, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 27, 2023

Type of Action: Resolution expressing Council support, and emergency passage upon introduction

Bill Summary: This bill expresses Council support and authorization for the Northeast Florida Regional Council to submit an application to the American Planning Association, Florida Chapter, nominating the City Council Special Committee on Critical Quality of Life Issues (CQLI) for a 2023 Project Award in the Best Practices Award category. Emergency passage upon introduction is requested because the award nomination application must be submitted on or before May 5, 2023.

Background Information: In August 2022, the Special Committee on Critical Quality of Life Issues was charged to examine healthcare, affordable housing, and homelessness through a series of working group meetings with subject matter experts and the public. The Committee's goal was to assess the scope of each issue and develop policy recommendations for improvement disseminated through a final report. The Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council partnered with the CQLI Committee throughout the workshop process and authored the final report.

The American Planning Association, Florida Chapter conducts an annual award program to recognize outstanding planning projects in the State of Florida. The Best Practices Award category applies to innovative projects and processes that help to implement a plan, and where planning has had a positive impact on the outcome. The Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council wishes to nominate the City for the 2023 APA Florida Best Practices Award to recognize the work of the CQLI Special Committee in fostering participation in community planning and to highlight that affordable housing, homelessness and healthcare issues are all intertwined.

Policy Impact Area: Special Committee on Critical Quality of Life Issues

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey

