

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2022-68

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: January 25, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: January 25, 2022

Type of Action: Appointment Confirmation

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Aundra Wallace as a member of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA), replacing Nicole Padgett, for a partial term ending May 31, 2023.

Background Information: The JTA is established pursuant to Chapter 349, *Florida Statutes*, and charged to acquire, hold, construct, improve, maintain, operate, own, and lease the Jacksonville Expressway System; and the JTA may acquire, hold, construct, improve, operate, maintain, and lease a mass transit system; and plan, develop, finance, construct, own, lease, purchase, operate, maintain, relocate, equip, repair, and manage those public transportation projects, such as express bus services; bus rapid transit services; light rail, commuter rail, heavy rail, or other transit services; ferry services; transit stations; park-and-ride lots; transit-oriented development nodes; or feeder roads, reliever roads, connector roads, bypasses, or appurtenant facilities, that are intended to address critical transportation needs or concerns in the Jacksonville; in addition to the other powers and duties provided, JTA shall have the power and responsibility to formulate and implement a plan for a mass transit system that will serve Duval County and the greater Jacksonville area.

Pursuant to Sec. 349.03(2), *Florida Statutes*, three of the seven members of the board are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Jacksonville subject to confirmation by the Council of the City of Jacksonville.

Mr. Wallace is president of the JAXUSA Partnership, the private, nonprofit regional economic development arm of JAX Chamber overseeing efforts of the seven counties of Northeast Florida. He holds a Master of Public Administration from Clark Atlanta University and a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Georgia Southern University. Mr. Wallace resides in Duval County.

Policy Impact Area: Jacksonville Transportation Authority Board operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal.

Analyst: Distel