

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2023-253

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Freeman

Date of Introduction: April 11, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: April 6, 2023

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Albert D. Chester to the Safety and Crime Reduction Commission, filling a seat formerly held by Brandon Griggs, in accordance with Section 78.103, *Ordinance Code*, for a first full term expiring June 30, 2024.

Background Information: The Safety and Crime Reduction Commission was established by Ordinance 2019-22-E, and the City Council shall appoint no more than twenty members of the Safety and Crime Reduction Commission as provided by Section 78.103, *Ordinance Code*. Members shall be residents of Duval County or have substantial business interests within Duval County (either employed by a business located in Duval County or volunteer, affiliate or serve on the board for an organization whose principal place of business is Jacksonville).

Dr. Chester is a Doctor of Pharmacy and earned his degree from Florida A & M University. Dr. Chester previously owned the New Town Pharmacy and is now the pharmacy manager for Walmart Pharmacy. Additionally, he is the founder, lead instructor and curriculum developer for the Capstone Institute which trains pharmacy technicians. Dr. Chester is a member of the 100 Black Men of Jacksonville Healthcare Committee, the Johnson Family YMCA Board, and Kappa Alpha Psi. He resides in Duval County in council district 10.

Policy Impact Area: Safety and Crime Reduction Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey