

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-602

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

Date of Introduction: July 23, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: July 24, 2024

Type of Action: Appointment confirmation, establishment of substantial business interest, waiver of Section 50.102(c), *Ordinance Code*, and one-cycle emergency passage

Bill Summary: This bill confirms the Mayor's appointment of Shantel N. Davis as a member of the Homelessness Initiatives Commission, for an initial three-year term expiring February 28, 2027. Ms. Davis's substantial business/ philanthropic interest in Duval County is established through her leadership roles for several non-profit and philanthropic organizations. Section 50.102(c), *Ord. Code* is waived due to the one-cycle timeline. One cycle emergency passage of this legislation is requested because there is an urgent need for the Commission to be fully seated as soon as possible so that it can commence its work in a timely manner, including development of an annual Action Plan by September 1st.

Background Information: Chapter 89, *Ordinance Code* established the Homelessness Initiatives Commission as an advisory body of the City to assess the current unmet needs of Duval County's homeless and chronic unhoused populations and to make recommendations regarding programs, initiatives and services to be funded by the City's Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund.

Pursuant to Section 86.103 (a), *Ordinance Code*, four members of the general public shall be appointed by the Council President and confirmed by Council, and three members of the general public shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council. To the extent possible, each of the members of the general public should possess specialized knowledge about the needs of the homeless and chronic unhoused populations.

Ms. Davis holds a bachelor's degree from UNF and an MBA from Jacksonville University. She is the President/CEO of Pinnacle Point Consulting LLC and she worked previously for CSX as VP of Real Estate and Facilities Management. Ms. Davis is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Inc., and she serves on the board of the Jacksonville Classical Academy and Goodwill of NE Florida. Ms. Davis resides in St. Johns County.

Policy Impact Area: Homelessness Initiatives Commission operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey