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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2019-579

Sponsor: Council President Wilson

Date of Introduction: August 13, 2019

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: August 15, 2019

Type of Action: Reappointment

Bill Summary: This bill reappoints Dawn L. Southworth to the Duval County Tourist Development Council (TDC), as a tourist accommodation representative, for a first full term ending June 30, 2023.

Background Information: The TDC is established pursuant to Chapter 70, *Ordinance Code*, and Section 125.0104, *Florida Statutes*, and charged to recommend a method of coordination of existing tourist development efforts by both public and private agencies, organizations and business and of new or additional tourist development efforts; identify and recommend methods of eliminating unnecessary duplications in existing tourist development efforts; identify and develop new tourist development efforts; create, prepare and submit to the Council a tourist development plan; and review the expenditures of revenues from the Tourist Development Trust Fund and report any unauthorized expenditures to the Council and State Department of Revenue. Section 70.102 (a), *Ordinance Code*, provides that the nine members of the TDC shall be appointed by the Council in various categories including owners or operators of motels, hotels, recreational vehicle parks or other tourist accommodations.

Ms. Southworth received a bachelor's degree in hotel and restaurant institutional management from Johnson and Wales University and is the General Manager of the *Omni Jacksonville Hotel*. She resides in the Downtown Area within Council District #7.

Attendance: Dawn Southworth attended 47% of the meetings of the Tourist Development Council.

Policy Impact Area: Duval County Tourist Development Council operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Distel