Introduced by Council Member Crescimbeni:

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**ORDINANCE 2019-393** 

ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW SECTION 602.408 ΑN (LOBBYING BY APPOINTED OFFICIALS REOUIRED TO FILE FORM 1 FINANCIAL DISCLOSERS; PROHIBITION), PART (CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS), CHAPTER 602 (JACKSONVILLE ETHICS CODE), ORDINANCE CODE, PROHIBIT LOBBYING FOR COMPENSATION BY APPOINTED OFFICIALS REQUIRED TO FILE FORM 1 FINANCIAL DISCLOSERS TO THE BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, COUNCIL OR AUTHORITY OF WHICH THE PERSON WAS AN APPOINTED OFFICIAL REQUIRED TO FILE FORM 1 FINANCIAL DISCLOSERS FOR A PERIOD OF 2 YEARS AFTER VACATING THAT POSITION; PROVIDING CURRENT LIST OF FORM 1 FOR Α FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE AGENCIES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Florida Statute §112.313, prohibits elected officials from lobbying their governing body for a period of 2 years after she or he leaves office; and

WHEREAS, the statute only applies to one who has been elected to office, not merely appointed to an elective office or body (Commission on Ethics Opinion 09-16); and

WHEREAS, at the option of the local governing body through ordinance or resolution, appointed county or municipal appointed officials of the Boards, Commissions, Councils, or Authorities may be subjected to a similar two-year prohibition, except for collective bargaining matters, under F.S. §112.313(13); and

WHEREAS, if a local prohibition were enacted for appointed officials, such an ordinance or resolution is not within the jurisdiction of the Commission on Ethics and a violation of it would not constitute a violation of the State Code of Ethics (Commission on Ethics Opinion 07-19); now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

Section 1. Creating a new Section 602.408 (Lobbying by former appointed officials required to file Form 1 Financial Disclosures; Prohibition), Part 4 (Conflicts of Interests), Chapter 602 (Jacksonville Ethics Code), Ordinance Code. A new Section 602.408 (Lobbying by former appointed officials required to file Form 1 Financial Disclosures; Prohibition), Part 4 (Conflicts of Interest), Chapter 602 (Jacksonville Ethics Code), Ordinance Code, is hereby created to read as follows:

## CHAPTER 602. JACKSONVILLE ETHICS CODE

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## PART 4. CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS

Sec. 602.408. - Lobbying by former appointed officials required to file Form 1 Financial Disclosures; Prohibition.

A person who has been appointed to any county, municipal, or state, Board, Commission, Committee, Council or authority may not personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the Board, Commission, Committee, Council or Authority of which the person was an appointed official required to file Form 1 Financial Disclosures for a period of 2 years after vacating that office. For purposes of this section an "Appointed Official" is defined in Section 602.201, Ordinance Code.

Section 2. Appointed Official Form 1 Finance Disclosure Agencies. As of the filing of this legislation, the Form 1 Financial Disclosure Agencies are as noted on Exhibit 1 attached hereto.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become

effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/Margaret M. Sidman

Office of General Counsel

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