## CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2020-0023

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

Date of Introduction: January 14, 2020

Committee(s) of Reference: F, NCSPHS, TEU

Date of Analysis: January 14, 2020

Type of Action: Approval and authorization of a declaration of a restrictive covenant

**Bill Summary:** This bill approves and authorizes the execution and delivery of a Declaration of Restrictive Covenant (DRC) between the City of Jacksonville and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), and any other documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of the Restrictive Covenant, for property currently occupied by the City's Animal Care and Protective Services facility at 2020 Forest Street, RE #089868-15 0100, to place environmental restrictions on the site.

**Background Information:** Environmental remediation took place at the site; however, additional treatment needed to clean several soil impact areas that are paved and covered with two feet of clean soil. The FDEP allows for regulatory closure of sites with an active DRC. The declaration requires proper regulatory handling of contaminated soils and a documented annual inspection of site conditions to ensure the cap is maintained. This type of regulatory closure will eliminate the need for costly remediation efforts so the various existing infrastructure and landscaping do not have to be disturbed/removed and replaced due to soil and groundwater impacts beneath them. The DRC can be removed once the site is completely clean.

Policy Impact Area: Soil contamination

Fiscal Impact: The DRC allows for savings in remediation costs.

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