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Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Ethics Commission and Co-Sponsored by Council Members Morgan, DeFoor, Diamond, Carlucci, Salem, Hazouri and Ferraro:

ORDINANCE 2020-104

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 602 (JACKSONVILLE ETHICS CODE), PART 12 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), SECTION 602.1205 (COOPERATION BY APPOINTED EMPLOYEES ΙN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATIONS), ORDINANCE CODE, AND TO ADD OFFICERS, NON-APPOINTED EMPLOYEES INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS AS INDIVIDUALS REQUIRED TO COOPERATE TN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, during its January 22, 2020 meeting, the Jacksonville Ethics Commission voted unanimously to approve the proposed revisions to the Jacksonville Ethics Code. A Resolution of the Jacksonville Ethics Commission is attached hereto as Exhibit 1; and therefore

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

Section 1. Amending Chapter 602 (Jacksonville Ethics Code), Part 12 (General Provisions), Section 602.1205 (Cooperation by appointed employees in official investigations.), Ordinance Code. Chapter 602 (Jacksonville Ethics Code), Section 602.1205 (Cooperation by appointed employees in official investigations.), Ordinance Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 602. JACKSONVILLE ETHICS CODE

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PART 12. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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/s/Cherry Shaw Pollock

24 Office of General Counsel

Legislation prepared by: Cherry Shaw Pollock

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Sec. 602.1205. - Cooperation by appointed employees in official investigations.

- (a) All officers, appointed employees, and independent contractors of the City or an independent agency, as a condition of employment, retention, and receipt of City funds, shall agree to cooperate truthfully, honestly, and completely with official government investigations including but not limited to, investigations by the Ethics Commission, Ethics Officer, State Attorney's Office, or United States Attorneys' Office, concerning his or her official duties or matters related to City government or business.
- (b) It shall be a violation of this Chapter for any officer,
  employee, or independent contractor of the City or any
  independent agency to violate any provision of this
  Section.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.