CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2020-0103

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

Date of Introduction: February 11, 2020

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: February 11, 2020

Type of Action: Amending Ordinance Code

Bill Summary: The bill amends Chapter 602 (Jacksonville Ethics 21 Code), Part 6 (Office of Ethics, Compliance and Oversight), Subpart 22 B (Duties), Section 602.621 (Duties.) of the Ordinance Code. The updated section reads as:

Sec. 602.621. - Duties.

The Office of Ethics, Compliance and Oversight, through its executive officials, shall have authority to:

(l) Receive full and unrestricted access to the records of any and all officials and employees, contractors, including their subcontractors and lower tier subcontractors, of any office, agency, department, or part of the entire consolidated government and other parties doing business with any office, agency, department, or part of the entire consolidated government or receiving funds from any office, agency department, or part of the entire consolidated government. All elected and appointed City and county officials and employees, and contractors and other parties doing business with the City and/or receiving City funds shall fully cooperate with the Office of Ethics, Compliance and Oversight.

Background Information: The Jacksonville Ethics Commission has a duty under sections 602.911 and 602.921 of the Jacksonville Ordinance Code and under section 1.202(d) of the Charter of the City of Jacksonville to "recommend changes in legislation to City Council in the areas of ethics laws and administration, conflicts of interests, hotline policies, ethics education, ethics in procurement, campaign ethics, and lobbying"; and in connection with such duties, the Jacksonville Ethics Commission has reviewed the Jacksonville Ethics Code, section 602.1205, and discussed the proposed changes.

Policy Impact Area: Ordinance code Chapter 602

Fiscal Impact: No financial impacts are anticipated.

Analyst: Baltiero