CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2020-588

Sponsor: Introduced by Council Member Ferraro

Date of Introduction: September 22, 2020

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

Date of Analysis: September 22, 2020

Type of Action: Contract Renewal

Bill Summary: This bill will execute a second amendment to the contract with Jacksonville University to renew the contract for a second additional year for the continuing manatee protection studies.

Background Information: The City Council authorized the contract with Dr. White through Ordinance 2018-540-E. The contract approved by Ordinance 2019-645-E was set to expire on October 3, 2020. Due to lengthy discussions with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission ("FWC") regarding the scope of work for the Study as required by the City of Jacksonville Manatee Protection Plan, 4th Edition, dated November 2017, and delays brought on by COVID-19 which disrupted the University's ability to perform the data collection for the Study, the Study was initiated in FY 2019/2020, but not completed. The funding from FY 19/20 has carried on to FY 20/21, so no additional funding will be needed for the Study in 20/21.

Policy Impact Area: Approval of manatee study

Fiscal Impact: Total contract amount \$360,000 (no additional funds for the study in FY 20/21)

Analyst: Distel