

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2021-401

Sponsor: Council President Hazouri

Date of Introduction: June 22, 2021

Committee(s) of Reference: R

Date of Analysis: June 22, 2021

Type of Action: Appointment

Bill Summary: This bill appoints Dennis Thompson to the Duval County Tourist Development Council, as a representative of the tourist industry, replacing Craig Smith, for a first term ending June 30, 2025.

Background Information: The TDC is established in accordance with Chapter 70, Ordinance Code, and charged to recommend a method of coordination of existing tourist development efforts by both public and private agencies, organizations and business and of new or additional tourist development efforts; identify and recommend methods of eliminating unnecessary duplications in existing tourist development efforts; identify and develop new tourist development efforts; create, prepare and submit to the Council a tourist development plan; and review the expenditures of revenues from the Tourist Development Trust Fund and report any unauthorized expenditures to the Council and State Department of Revenue. Section 70.102(a), Ordinance Code, provides that three of the members of the Duval County Tourist Development Council shall be persons who are involved in the tourist industry and who have demonstrated an interest in tourist development, but are not associated with tourist accommodation.

Mr. Thompson is the owner at Adventure Kayak Florida since 2015. Mr. Thompson worked at Acosta, Inc from 2005 to 2015 as an Architect and then as Director. Mr. Thompson resides in the Jacksonville Beach area within Council District #13.

Policy Impact Area: Duval County Tourist Development Council operations

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated to be minimal

Analyst: Distel