



City of Gainesville Agenda Report

File #: 2022-707

Agenda Date: May 4, 2023

Department: City Attorney

Title: 2022-707 LD22-000130 Text Amendment Centerline of Street Setback Measurement (B)

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Description: Ordinance No. 2022-707: An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Land Development Code (Chapter 30 of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances) relating to building setbacks being measured from street centerlines by amending Section 30-6.8. – *General lot and building requirements*; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

Fiscal Note: None

Explanation: This ordinance will remove language in Section 30-6.8 of the Land Development Code requiring that building setbacks be measured from street centerlines in some cases. This ordinance is responsive to neighbors that have expressed how measuring setbacks from the centerline of streets is an impediment to building affordable, single-family dwellings in older neighborhoods, where often platted lots are small and street widths are substandard.

The City Plan Board held a public hearing on February 27, 2023, and voted to recommend that the City Commission approve this text amendment. This ordinance requires two hearings and will become effective immediately upon adoption at second reading.

Strategic Connection: Goal 3: A Great Place to Live & Experience

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.