

City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2024-167

Agenda Date: March 7, 2024

Department: City Attorney

Title: 2024-167 Ordinance Eliminating GRU Exemption from City ROW

Regulations (B)

Department: City Attorney

Description: Ordinance No. 2024-167: An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Chapter 23 Article VI – *Public Rights-of-Way Use by Utilities* of the Code of Ordinances to delete a provision exempting Gainesville Regional Utilities from the applicable regulations and to update references to the Engineering Design and Construction Manual; amending Appendix A – *Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges* relating to public rights-of-way obstruction permits and public rights-of-way use by utilities; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Explanation: This ordinance eliminates the current exemption for Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) from the City's permitting and fee regulations for any utilities located in City rights-of-way. This ordinance requires two hearings and will become effective immediately upon adoption at second reading.

Strategic Connection: N/A

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.