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ORDINANCE NO. 140911

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4 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA,
5 SETTING MARCH 15, 2016 AS THE DATE FOR THE 2016
6 REGULAR CITY ELECTION AND APRIL 12, 2016 AS THE
7 DATE FOR THE 2016 RUN-OFF ELECTION, IF NECESSARY;
8 SETTING THE DATES FOR QUALIFYING FOR THE 2016
9 REGULAR ELECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY
10 CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND
11 PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.
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13 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9-2(b) of the Code of Ordinances the City
14 Commission is to adopt an ordinance setting the date of the next regular election by July 1st
15 of each year; and

16 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9-10 of the Code of Ordinances the dates for any
17 person who meets the eligibility requirements described in Article II of the City Charter and
18 Section 9-10 of the Code of Ordinances to become a candidate for a seat on the City
19 Commission by filing the necessary qualifying papers with the supervisor of elections shall
20 run from noon of the 50th day prior to the day of the election to noon of the 46th day prior to
21 the day of the election; and

22 WHEREAS, at least 10 days notice has been given once by publication in a
23 newspaper of general circulation notifying the public of this proposed ordinance and of a
24 Public Hearing in the Auditorium of City Hall in the City of Gainesville; and

25 WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held pursuant to the published notice described
26 at which hearing the parties in interest and all others had an opportunity to be and were, in
27 fact, heard;

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1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF**
2 **THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:**

3 **Section 1.** The 2016 regular election for the City of Gainesville shall be held on
4 Tuesday, March 15, 2016; and, pursuant to Section 9-2(a) of the Code of Ordinances, the
5 date of the run-off election, if necessary, shall be Tuesday, April 12, 2016.

6 **Section 2.** The dates for any person who meets the eligibility requirements described
7 in Article II of the City Charter and Section 9-10 of the Code of Ordinances to become a
8 candidate in 2016 for a seat on the City Commission by filing the necessary qualifying
9 papers with the supervisor of elections shall run from noon of the 50th day prior to the day
10 of the election to noon of the 46th day prior to the day of the election. Specifically, the
11 qualifying dates shall be from noon on Monday, January 25, 2016 to noon on Friday,
12 January 29, 2016. To the extent that the qualifying dates for the 2016 general election set
13 forth herein conflict with the requirements of Section 9-10 of the Code of Ordinances, the
14 qualifying dates set forth herein shall govern and control for the 2016 general election.

15 **Section 3.** If any word, phrase, clause, paragraph, section or provision of this
16 ordinance or the application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or
17 unconstitutional, such finding shall not affect the other provisions or applications of the
18 ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provisions or
19 application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.

20 **Section 4.** All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are to the
21 extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

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