REVIEW OF GENERAL FUND FORECASTED REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

NOVEMBER 2006



CITY AUDITOR'S OFFICE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

__City of__ Gainesville

Inter-Office Communication

November 28, 2006

TO: Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee

Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan, Chair

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Craig Lowe, Member

FROM: Brent Godshalk, City Auditor

SUBJECT: Review of General Fund Forecasted Revenues and Other Sources of Funds for the Fiscal

Year Ending September 30, 2007

Recommendation

The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee recommend that the City Commission accept the City Auditor's report.

Explanation

In accordance with Section 12(a), Budget Reviews, of Commission Resolution 970187 and our Annual Audit Plan, we have completed our review of General Fund revenue estimates as presented by the City Manager in the proposed General Government Budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (the forecast).

We reviewed the forecasted General Fund Revenues and Other Sources of Funds set forth in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Final General Operating and Financial Plan Budget adopted by the City Commission on September 25, 2006. Our objective was to determine whether data, methods and assumptions used by the City Manager in preparing projected General Fund Revenues and Other Sources of Funds in the amount of \$92,183,664 provide a reasonable basis for the forecast. Our review was conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and included procedures we considered necessary in the circumstances to evaluate the assumptions used by management in preparing and presenting the forecast.

Conclusion

Based on our review, we believe that management's assumptions provide a reasonable basis for presenting projected Fiscal Year 2006-2007 General Fund Revenues and Other Sources of Funds in the amount of \$92,183,664. However, we projected several revenue sources at a different level than the approved General Fund budget. The total estimated difference is approximately \$445,000 or 0.5% less than budgeted. The differences are reflected in the attached schedule of General Fund Forecasted Revenues and Other Sources of Funds for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2007 and an accompanying Explanation of Differences. Management should continue to monitor the City's financial position throughout the fiscal year and make adjustments as necessary.

CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA GENERAL FUND FORECASTED REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

	REVENUE FORECAST PER BUDGET ORDINANCE		REVENUE FORECAST PER CITY AUDITOR		DIFFERENCE IN FORECASTS		EXPLANATION OF DIFFERENCES
TAXES							
Real Property, Net Hazmat Gross Receipts Tax Local Option Gas Tax Utility Tax Property Insurance Premium Tax	\$	23,586,862 271,071 931,827 7,071,200 1,102,290	\$	23,300,000 271,071 931,827 7,071,200 1,102,290	\$	(286,862)	Note 1
Simplified Communications Service Tax		5,558,140		5,400,000		(158,140)	Note 2
TOTAL TAXES		38,521,390		38,076,388		(445,002)	
LICENSES AND PERMITS							
Occupational Licenses		949,867		949,867		-	
Home Occupational Permits		31,736		31,736		-	
Landlord Licensing Fee		576,000		576,000		-	
Taxi Licenses		6,714		6,714			
TOTAL LICENSES AND PERMITS		1,564,317		1,564,317		-	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE							
State Revenue Sharing (Net)		3,503,796		3,503,796		-	
Mobile Home Licenses		32,944 70,728		32,944 70,728		-	
Beverage Licenses Half Cent Sales Tax		7,685,860		7,685,860		-	
Firefighters Supplemental Comp		51,000		51,000		_	
State Gas Tax Rebate		29,131		29,131		_	
County and MTPO Contribution to Bike Program		6,586		6,586		-	
FDOT Traffic Signal Maintenance		187,165		187,165		-	
FDOT Street Light Maintenance		359,058		359,058		-	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes- GHA Inc.		39,000		39,000		-	
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE		11,965,268		11,965,268		-	

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	REVENUE FORECAST PER BUDGET ORDINANCE	REVENUE FORECAST PER CITY AUDITOR	DIFFERENCE IN FORECASTS	EXPLANATION OF DIFFERENCES
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Airport Fire Services	404,389	404,389	-	
Airport Security Services	281,570	281,570	-	
SFCC Training Contract GPD - Recruitment	65,624	65,624	-	
Miscellaneous Fees - Police	27,467	27,467	-	
GPD Billable Overtime	569,415	569,415	-	
Zoning Fees	204,015	204,015	-	
Document Reproduction Fees	2,639	2,639	-	
Traffic Engineering - Small Cities Projects	19,285	19,285	-	
Traffic Signals - County	145,050	145,050	-	
Cemetery Fees	56,840	56,840	···	
Parking - Meters and Permits	178,640	178,640	-	
Parking Garage	310,855	310,855	-	
Street Division Cost Recovery	55,000	55,000	-	
Neighborhood Parking Decals	33,280	33,280	-	
Recreation - Membership/Youth Sports	16,240	16,240	-	
Swimming Pools	86,275	86,275	-	
Recreation Centers/Playgounds	259,840	259,840	-	
Recreation Adult Sports	4,568	4,568	-	
Utility Indirect Services	1,445,488	1,445,488	-	
RTS Indirect Services	703,082	703,082	-	
CDBG Indirect Services	141,294	141,294	-	
SMUF Indirect Services	422,932	422,932	-	
Solid Waste Indirect Services	114,068	114,068	-	
Ironwood Indirect Services	138,241	138,241	-	
Fleet Indirect Services	271,495	271,495	-	
Building Inspection Indirect Services	216,800	216,800	-	
Gen. Insurance Indirect Services	133,949	133,949	-	
EHAB Indirect Services	82,751	82,751	-	
CRA Indirect Services	76,911	76,911	-	
Special Events Processing Fees	2,000	2,000	-	
Registration - Thomas Center Rental	79,560	79,560		
Direct Financial Services - RTS	106,078	106,078	-	
GPD/GHA/HUD Contract	40,000	40,000	-	
GFR- Fire Protection County	132,500	132,500	-	
SRO Contract - School Board	203,006	203,006	-	-
TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES	7,031,147	7,031,147	-	_

CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA GENERAL FUND FORECASTED REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

	REVENUE	REVENUE		
	FORECAST	FORECAST	DIFFERENCE	EXPLANATION
	PER BUDGET	PER CITY	IN FORECASTS	OF DIFFERENCES
	ORDINANCE	AUDITOR	FURECASIS	DIFFERENCES
FINES AND FORFEITURES				
Court Fines and Forfeitures	894,040	894,040	-	
Parking Fines	300,000	300,000	-	
False Alarm Penalties	101,500	101,500	-	
Municipal Ordinance Fines	99,470	99,470	-	
Code Enforcement Penalties	25,430	25,430	-	_
TOTAL FINES AND FORFEITURES	1,420,440	1,420,440	-	_
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
Interest on Investments	600,000	600,000	_	
Rental of City Property	104,040	104,040	- -	
Porters Oaks Mortgages	4,000	4,000	_	
AFSS Agreement - Airport	55,600	55,600	_	
Recreation Nature Programs	36,540	36,540	_	
GPD Court Restitution	27,464	27,464	_	
Demolition/Lot Clearing/Bond & Seal	30,000	30,000	_	
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	133,591	133,591	_	
Sale of Surplus Equipment	40,800	40,800	-	
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	1,032,035	1,032,035		-
	1,032,033	1,032,033		-
TRANSFERS FROM OTHER FUNDS				
Solid Waste Collection	300,000	300,000	-	
Crossing Guard Trust	35,000	35,000	-	
Cemetery Trust	46,012	46,012	-	
CRA	58,329	58,329		
Art in Public Places Trust	9,000	9,000	-	
Downtown Redevelopment Trust	83,444	83,444	-	
General Pension	34,922	34,922		
Water/Wastewater Connections Surcharge	510,000	510,000	-	
GRUCOMM	324,783	324,783	-	
Gas Utility	1,755,232	1,755,232	-	
Water	3,928,909	3,928,909	-	
Wastewater	4,806,059	4,806,059	-	
Electric	18,757,377	18,757,377	_	_
TOTAL TRANSFERS	30,649,067	30,649,067		_
TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATION OF FUND BALANCE	\$ 92,183,664	\$ 91,738,662	\$ (445,002)	
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CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA GENERAL FUND FORECASTED REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007 EXPLANATION OF DIFFERENCES

Notes

- 1) The City Auditor's estimate for this revenue source is based on the latest information available from the Alachua County Property Appraiser's Office. The City Manager's estimate was prepared using similar procedures applied to earlier projected financial data available.
- 2) The City Auditor's estimate for this revenue source is based on historical growth patterns applied to actual FY 2006 data. The City Manager's estimate was prepared using similar procedures applied to earlier projected financial data available. This is a relatively new revenue source that continues to be difficult to estimate accurately.