

ORDINANCE NO. 160240

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3 **An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, finding that property**  
4 **located at 306 NE 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Gainesville, Florida, as more specifically**  
5 **described in this ordinance, qualifies for an ad valorem tax exemption for**  
6 **historic properties; granting an exemption from ad valorem tax for certain**  
7 **improvements beginning January 1, 2017, and continuing for 10 years under**  
8 **certain conditions; authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk of the Commission**  
9 **to sign the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant between**  
10 **the property owner and the City; providing a severability clause; providing a**  
11 **repealing clause; and providing an effective date.**

12       **WHEREAS**, Section 25-61 of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances authorizes ad  
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14 valorem tax exemptions for historic properties pursuant to Sections 196.1997 and 196.1998,  
15 Florida Statutes, and

16       **WHEREAS**, the owner of the property at 306 NE 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Gainesville, Florida, as  
17 more specifically described in this ordinance, has applied for an ad valorem tax exemption  
18 pursuant to Chapter 25, Article IV, Code of Ordinances, City of Gainesville; and

19       **WHEREAS**, on April 3, 2012, the Historic Preservation Board approved Part 1  
20 (Preconstruction Application) of the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application;  
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22       **WHEREAS**, on August 2, 2016, the Historic Preservation Board approved Part 2 (Final  
23 Application for Review of Completed Work) of the Historic Preservation Property Tax  
24 Exemption Application; and

25       **WHEREAS**, the Historic Preservation Board has recommended to the City Commission  
26 that the exemption be granted; and

27       **WHEREAS**, at least ten (10) days' notice has been given once by publication in a  
28 newspaper of general circulation notifying the public of this proposed ordinance and of public  
29 hearings in the City Hall Auditorium located on the first floor of City Hall in the City of  
30 Gainesville; and

1           **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 25-65 of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances,  
2 notice has also been given by mail to the property owner at least 10 days prior to the date of the  
3 public hearing of the City Commission on this ordinance; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the public hearings were held pursuant to the notice described above at  
5 which hearings the parties in interest and all others had an opportunity to be and were, in fact,  
6 heard.

7           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE**  
8 **CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:**

9           **Section 1.** The City Commission finds that the property owned by Jason L. Haeseler and  
10 Rachel A. Haeseler, located at 306 NE 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Gainesville, Florida, as more specifically  
11 described in the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant that is attached as  
12 Exhibit “A” and made a part hereof as if set forth in full (“Property”): 1) contains a structure that  
13 has been deemed contributing to the Northeast Residential Historic District, 2) meets the  
14 requirements of Section 196.1997, F.S., and Sections 25-61 through 25-66 of the City of  
15 Gainesville Code of Ordinances, and 3) is eligible to receive an ad valorem tax exemption.

16           **Section 2.** The City Commission hereby grants an ad valorem tax exemption for 100  
17 percent of the assessed value of eligible improvements made to the Property, as described in the  
18 Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application and as determined by the Alachua  
19 County Property Appraiser. This exemption applies only to those ad valorem taxes levied on the  
20 real property by the City of Gainesville that are not levied for the payment of bonds or  
21 authorized by a vote of the electors pursuant to Section 9(b) or Section 12, Article VII of the  
22 Florida Constitution.

23           **Section 3.** In accordance with Section 196.1997(10), Florida Statutes, this exemption  
24 shall take effect on January 1, 2017, remain in effect for 10 years and shall expire on December  
25 31, 2026, as provided in the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant.

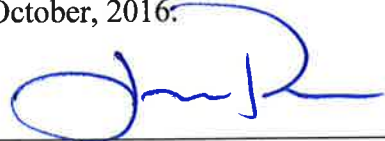
1           **Section 4.** Upon signature by the property owner, the Mayor and the Clerk of the  
2 Commission are authorized to sign the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant.  
3 The property owner is responsible for recording the fully executed covenant in the official  
4 records of Alachua County and for providing a certified copy of the recorded covenant to the  
5 City Manager or designee.

6           **Section 5.** If any word, phrase, clause, paragraph, section or provision of this ordinance  
7 or the application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional, such  
8 finding shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given  
9 effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application, and to this end the  
10 provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.

11           **Section 6.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are to the extent of  
12 such conflict hereby repealed.

13           **Section 7.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final adoption;  
14 however, the ad valorem tax exemption granted herein shall become effective on the date  
15 specified in Section 3 of this ordinance.

16           **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 20th day of October, 2016:

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LAUREN POE  
MAYOR

23   Attest:

Approved as to form and legality:

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KURT M. LANNON  
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

FOR   
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NICOLLE M. SHALLEY  
CITY ATTORNEY

30   This ordinance passed on first reading this 6th day of October, 2016.  
31   This ordinance passed on second reading this 20th day of October, 2016.