

ORDINANCE NO. _____
0-06-96

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, creating in Chapter 2, Article V a new Division 15 entitled Student Community Relations Advisory Board; providing for membership, officers, attendance requirements, legal counsel, rules of procedure, functions, powers and duties; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

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

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

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA;

Section 1. That Chapter 2 Article V of the Code of Ordinances of Gainesville, Florida, is amended by creating and adding a new Division 15 to the Code, which shall read as follows:

Division 15. Student Community Relations Advisory Board

Sec. 2-430.51. Membership.

- (1) The Student Community Relations Advisory Board shall consist of seven voting members who serve on the board and are appointed by the City Commission.

- 1 (2) When possible the Student Community Relations Advisory Board will include the
2 following:
- 3 a. Three students. Students are defined as persons attending a
4 postsecondary educational institution.
- 5 b. Three non-students. A non-student is defined as a person who is
6 not a student, as defined above.
- 7 c. One administrator from a postsecondary educational institution.
8 The City Commission may appoint two additional administrators
9 from postsecondary educational institutions to be nonvoting
10 members of the board.
- 11 (3) If no applicants meet the above criteria any resident of the City of Gainesville
12 may be appointed to the board.
- 13 (4) Student and non-student members of the Student Community Relations Advisory
14 Board shall be and remain bona fide residents of the City. If at any time any
15 student or non-student member of the Student Community Relations Advisory
16 Board fails to be and remain a resident of the City the person shall be
17 automatically disqualified and removed from the board.
- 18 (5) Student members shall be appointed for a term of one year. Administrator and
19 non-student members shall be appointed for a term of two years. Members may
20 be reappointed for consecutive terms, but no member shall serve more than four

1 successive years. Reappointment may then occur after at least one year of
2 absence from the Student Community Relations Advisory Board. If a vacancy
3 occurs, a new appointment shall be made by the City Commission for the
4 unexpired term.

5 **Sec. 2-430.52. Officers.**

- 6 (1) The members of the Student Community Relations Advisory Board shall annually
7 elect a chair and vice-chair from among the members and may create and fill
8 other offices as the board deems necessary, as provided in the rules of the board.
- 9 (2) The Student Community Relations Advisory Board may create subcommittees it
10 deems necessary to carry out the purposes of the board.
- 11 (3) The chair of the board shall annually appoint the membership of each
12 subcommittee from the regular members of the board.
- 13 (4) The city manager shall appoint a city employee to serve as secretary to the board,
14 recorder, and custodian of all board records.

15 **Sec. 2-430.53. Attendance requirements, legal counsel.**

- 16 (1) Student members attending less than 50 percent of Student Community Relations
17 Advisory Board meetings for a 6-month period commencing January 1 and July 1
18 and ending June 30 and December 31, respectively, shall be automatically
19 removed from the board upon filing the attendance record with the clerk of the

1 commission. This requirement supersedes Sec. 2-247 of this Code where there is
2 a conflict.

3 (2) Non-student and administrative members shall be subject to the rules of
4 attendance as provided in Sec. 2-247 of this Code.

5 (3) The city attorney shall provide legal counsel to advise and represent the board as
6 necessary.

7 **Sec. 2-430.54. Rules of procedure.** The Student Community Relations Advisory Board
8 shall adopt rules of procedure to carry out its purposes. All rules must conform to this
9 article, the Code of Ordinances, and State law.

10 (1) The board shall meet at least once each month, unless cancelled by the board or
11 its chair, and more often at the call of the chair or the City Commission.

12 (2) The Student Community Relations Advisory Board shall keep minutes of its
13 proceedings, indicating the attendance of each member and the decision on every
14 question.

15 (3) The board shall adopt rules setting the number of members needed to establish a
16 quorum.

17 (4) Each decision of the board must be approved by a majority vote of the regular
18 members present at a meeting in which a quorum is in attendance and voting.

19 (5) All meetings shall be open to the public.

1 **Sec. 2-430.55. Functions, powers, and duties.**

2 (1) The goal of the Student Community Relations Advisory Board is to strive for a more
3 cohesive non-student and student community.

4 (2) To act as a vehicle for students and non-students to voice their concerns and
5 opinions.

6 (3) To review, discuss, and forward recommendations as appropriate, on issues,
7 concerns, and initiatives relevant to students and non-students.

8 (4) To establish and implement a new member orientation.

9 (5) To assess and address needs of non-students as they pertain to student issues.

10 (6) To provide outlets for action by students and non-students.

11 (7) To be a knowledgeable liaison between the City Commission and the students and
12 non-students of Gainesville.

13 (8) To encourage involvement by non-students and students in planning and
14 implementation of improvements.

15 (9) To ensure that student issues are addressed by providing a link between the students,
16 non-students, and the City Commission.

17 **Section 2.** It is the intention of the City Commission that Section 1 of this ordinance shall
18 become and be made a part of the Gainesville Code of Ordinance, of the City of Gainesville,
19 Florida, and that the Sections and Paragraphs of this ordinance be renumbered or relettered in order
20 to accomplish such intentions.

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1 **Section 3.** If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held to be invalid or
2 unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the
3 validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

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

6 **Section 5.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately on adoption.

7 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this _____ day of _____, 2006.

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PEGEEN HANRAHAN
MAYOR

13 ATTEST

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

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KURT M. LANNON
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

MARION J. RADSON
CITY ATTORNEY

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20 This Ordinance passed on first reading this _____ day of _____, 2006.

21 This Ordinance passed on second reading this _____ day of _____, 2006.