



MEMORANDUM

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September 27, 1999

TO: Mayor and City Commissioners

DATE: ~~September 13, 1999~~

FROM: City Attorney

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FIRST READING

SECOND READING

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 0-99-74

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending section 16-29 of the Code of Ordinances relating to assessing liens for work done demolishing dangerous structures or cleaning hazardous lands, providing for notice of a lien for the out-of-pocket costs of work done and recording of the lien in the public records; repealing provisions mandating a hearing before the city commission and levy of a special assessment; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

At its meeting of July 12, 1999, the City Commission authorized the City Attorney to draft and the Clerk of the Commission to advertise an ordinance relating to assessing liens on properties where the City has demolished or repaired one or more dangerous buildings or cleaned up hazardous lands. Since the summer of 1997, staff has caused 75 houses to be demolished. The current ordinance requirements are costly to the City and difficult to process. Changing the ordinance will make the process for recapturing City funds spent for demolitions, repairs and cleanups less expensive.

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PASSED ON FIRST READING BY A VOTE OF 5-0.