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5 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 27, ARTICLE 1,
6 SUBSECTION 27-15(d) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF
7 GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA RELATING TO RECONNECTION OF
8 UTILITY SERVICE; AMENDING APPENDIX A, UTILITIES SECTION
9 (7), SUBSECTION b(4)(i) SERVICE CHARGES BY INCREASING THE
10 DELINQUENT DISCONNECTION FEE AND ELIMINATING THE
11 SAME DAY RECONNECTION FEE FOR REQUESTS MADE DURING
12 NORMAL WORKING HOURS; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE;
13 PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CODIFIER; PROVIDING A
14 SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE
15 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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17 **WHEREAS**, at least ten (10) days notice has been given of the public hearings once by
18 publication in a newspaper of general circulation notifying the public of this proposed ordinance and of
19 the public hearings in the City Commission meeting room, first floor, City Hall, City of Gainesville; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the public hearings were held pursuant to the published notices described
21 above at which hearings the parties with interest and all others had an opportunity to be and were,
22 in fact, heard.

23 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF**
24 **GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:**

25 **Section 1.** Subsection Sec. 27-15(d) of the Code of Ordinances of Gainesville, Florida, is
26 hereby amended to read as follows:

27 Sec. 27-15. Service Charges

28 (d) Field visit; reconnection of utility service. No service charge shall be
29 assessed for reconnection of utility service(s) if disconnection of such service(s) was due to
30 system requirements. However, if service was disconnected because of delinquent
31 payments, unauthorized connection, or consumer request and ~~guaranteed same-day~~ service
32 reconnection is requested and/or made ~~during other than~~ after normal working hours (8:00
33 a.m. to ~~5:00~~ 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding city holidays), an additional

1 service charge in accordance with the schedule set out in appendix A shall be assessed and
2 paid to the city before any service is reconnected.

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4 **Section 2.** Appendix A, Utilities (7)b4(i) of the Code of Ordinances of Gainesville, Florida, is
5 hereby amended to read as follows:

6 Utilities:

7 (7) In general:,ko

8 4. Field visit for special purpose (§ 27-15c, d):

9 (i) Delinquent ~~payment~~ disconnection 20.00 40.00

10 (A) In addition, if commercial gas service is disconnected,
11 electric service is disconnected at the point of service (pole or
12 service drop), or the water is removed due to safety
13 requirements, unauthorized connection, or customer request 30.00

14 (B) In addition, if ~~guaranteed same-day service is requested~~
15 for reconnection the same service reconnection is requested
16 anytime after normal working hours on a workday* 40.00

17 (C) In addition, if reconnection service is provided anytime on
18 holidays or weekends 50.00

19 *Workdays shall be weekdays, except for city holidays.

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21 **Section 3.** All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are to the extent of
22 such conflict hereby repealed.

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24 **Section 4.** It is the intention of the City Commission that the provisions of Sections 1 through
25 2 of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of
26 Gainesville, Florida, and that the Sections and Paragraphs of this Ordinance may be renumbered or
27 re-lettered in order to accomplish such intentions.

1 **Section 5.** If any word, phrase, clause, paragraph, section or provision of this
2 ordinance or the application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or
3 unconstitutional, such finding shall not affect the other provisions or applications of the
4 ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provisions or
5 application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.
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7 **Section 6.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final adoption.
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9 PASSED and ADOPTED this ____ day June, 2008.

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Pegeen Hanrahan
Mayor

15 ATTEST:

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17 Kurt M. Lannon, Jr.
18 Clerk of the Commission
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Approved as to form and legality

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Marion J. Radson
City Attorney

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31 This ordinance passed on first reading this ____ day of _____, 2008.

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34 This ordinance passed on second reading this ____ day of _____, 2008.
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