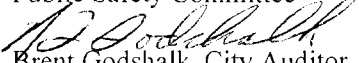


City of
Gainesville

Inter-Office Communication

September 18, 2007

TO: Public Safety Committee
FROM: 
Brent Godshalk, City Auditor
SUBJECT: Vehicles for Hire Ordinance - Legislative Item #070244

At the City Commission meeting of September 10, 2007, part of the discussion regarding Legislative Item #070244 - Vehicles for Hire Ordinance focused on a requirement for audited financial statements. The Mayor indicated during the discussion that I could provide guidance regarding a less onerous approach to obtaining financial reports, while satisfying the intent of the requirement.

I have reviewed the ordinance and discussed this issue with Assistant City Attorney Ron Combs and Finance Director Mark Benton. Both indicated that this requirement came solely from transferring the language in Jacksonville's ordinance to the Gainesville ordinance. We are all in agreement, as is GPD management, that this requirement is unnecessary and should be removed from the City's ordinance.

Please let me know if any additional information is required.

cc: Ron Combs, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Mark Benton, Finance Director
Norm Botsford, Chief of Police