### CITY OF GAINESVILLE

### **Services Provided BEFORE Annexation**

**SERVICE: BUILDING INSPECTION** 

### INTRODUCTION

The City of Gainesville Building Inspection Department is responsible for issuing building permits and performing inspections for all new and remodeled construction performed in the City of Gainesville. Offices are located at 306 NE 6th Ave, Building B on the first floor level. Permit applications are accepted between 7:00am and 4:00pm. Calls for inspections are received between 8:00am and 4:00pm with the inspection being scheduled for the next working day. Inspections are performed between 8:00am and 4:00pm. Office hours for inspectors are 4:00pm to 5:00pm. Codes in effect in the City of Gainesville jurisdiction are:

- a. Current edition of the Florida Building Code
- b. Current edition of the International Mechanical Code
- c Current edition of the International Plumbing Code
- d. Current edition of the International Fuel Gas Code
- e. Current edition of the National Electric Code
- f. Current edition of all of the NFPA standards
- g. Current edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code and associated codes. As required by these Codes, the City of Gainesville Building Inspections Department will provide the same level of service currently provided within the city limits to newly annexed areas.
- III Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide any services or associated facilities for the purpose of enforcing the Codes in the unincorporated reserve area prior to annexation, with the exception of Kanapaha Wastewater Treatment Plant, and the Wacahoota Archery Range, which are city owned facilities.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide any funding or facilities for building permitting for the unincorporated area prior to annexation, with exception of related expenses for Kanapaha Wastewater Treatment Plant and Wacahoota Archery Range

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE

#### ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not plan to provide any additional services for building permitting in the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation.

### SERVICE: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### INTRODUCTION

The Community Development Department provides long-range strategies for the City's growth management and revitalization, and the preservation of its character, neighborhoods, and natural environment. The department aids area businesses through assistance programs, review of zoning proposals, and creating GIS maps of the area The Community Development Department includes the City's Planning, Housing, Redevelopment, Code Enforcement and Block Grant functions (NOTE: Please see Housing Section of this document for information on City Housing Services.)

### The Comprehensive Plan/Land Use Regulations

The existing Alachua County Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulations shall be applied to the Urban Reserve Area prior to its being annexed. The City will provide the County with written comments and recommendations on all proposed land use amendments to the County's Comprehensive Plan, in the Urban Reserve Area.

### **Administrative Procedures**

The County shall enforce and administer the County's Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Regulations in the Reserve Area. The County shall levy and collect all fines and fees in the Urban Reserve Area. All proceeds collected by the County from fines and fees shall be used by the County. The existing Alachua County Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulations shall remain enforced within newly annexed areas until the City of Gainesville amends its Comprehensive Plan to include annexed areas. City shall provide all planning services during the Comprehensive Plan amendment process using Alachua County Regulations. No services will be provided in the Urban Reserve Area by Community Development staff. The City's Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Regulations only regulate development within the City limits.

#### **PLANNING**

#### INTRODUCTION

The Planning Division, the Department's largest division, includes comprehensive planning, neighborhood planning, current planning, historic preservation, GIS map preparation and graphic services.

The Comprehensive Planning section updates the City's Comprehensive Plan, prepares Special Area Plans and Corridor Plans, and updates the City's Land Development Code. The Comprehensive Planning staff also reviews any proposed land use and zoning changes.

The Neighborhood Planning Program staff works with individual neighborhoods to prepare neighborhood action plans and assists in implementing them. The Neighborhood Planning staff also administers neighborhood grants for participating neighborhoods and maintains a registry of all neighborhoods choosing to register with the City

The Current Planning section reviews development petitions, site plans and variances.

The Historic Preservation staff provides staffing for the City's five historic districts.

The GIS/Graphics staff provides mapping, data and analysis.

III. Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide land planning services to the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation. All municipalities and the County have entered into interlocal agreements providing for a Countywide Visioning and Planning process which is underway to develop joint plans for land use and urban reserve designations.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide any funding or facilities for land planning services for the unincorporated area prior to annexation. Through an interlocal agreement, the City of Gainesville has provided \$40,000 towards the cost of the Countywide Visioning and Planning process, which began in 2003.

## C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not plan to provide any additional services for land planning services in the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation

### REDEVELOPMENI INTRODUCTION

The City of Gainesville's redevelopment projects are carried out by the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) The City has four redevelopment districts, where increases in the property tax base (tax increment) are invested in the districts.

- Downtown Redevelopment District
- Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Redevelopment District
- College Park/University Heights Redevelopment District
- Eastside Redevelopment District

Redevelopment projects are coordinated in these districts by the CRA and implemented by a team of partners that includes other City departments and private citizens. The City of Gainesville established the CRA in 1981 to create a redevelopment framework in

which the Central City District will evolve into a more dynamic office, service, financial, entertainment, residential, and governmental area. The authority to establish the CRA is enabled by Sections 163.330-163.45 Florida Statutes.

Four Redevelopment Advisory Boards, one for each redevelopment district, provide guidance on project plans to the CRA Members of the City Commission comprise the CRA Board, which adopts redevelopment plans, budgets and provides direction to staff. Three full-time City staff provide a variety of services including working with the redevelopment boards, planning projects, coordinating initiatives, and managing redevelopment funding The CRA also oversees the SPROUT (Brownfields) Project, which includes the Depot Avenue Stormwater Park development.

III Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide redevelopment services to the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation.

## B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVEAREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide any funding or facilities for redevelopment services for the unincorporated area prior to annexation.

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not plan to provide any additional services for redevelopment services in the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation.

### CODE ENFORCEMENT INTRODUCTION

The Code Enforcement Division is responsible for enforcing the Land Development Code Regulations for the city, and administering and assisting with the Landlord License program and the Parking Permit program. Frequent Code Enforcement activities include enforcing yard maintenance standards, addressing abandon vehicles, eliminating junk/trash and such debris on property, condition of structures, controlling prohibited businesses, illegal dwelling units, and outdoor storage facilities.

The City requires any landlord of property being rented in single-family zoned districts to obtain a landlord permit. The enforcement of this ordinance is handled through the Code Enforcement Division.

In addition, the Gainesville Code Enforcement Board has jurisdiction to hear and decide cases filed by the City's Code Enforcement Officers regarding violations of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances relating to buildings, electrical code, fire protection, housing code, licenses, plumbing, signs and street graphics, ventilation, heating, air conditioning, refrigeration, and zoning. The Board meets once a month at City Hall. Code Enforcement Officers are assigned to zones, and may work nights and weekends depending on need.

III Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide code enforcement services to the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation.

## B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide any funding or facilities for code enforcement services for the unincorporated area prior to annexation.

## C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not plan to provide any additional services for code enforcement services in the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation.

### BLOCK GRANI FUNCTIONS INTRODUCTION

The Block Grant Office works with other City departments and community-based non-profit organizations to improve the quality of life for Gainesville's low and moderate-income residents and neighborhoods

The Block Grant Division provides overall management, oversight, coordination, and monitoring and evaluation of the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and federal HOME Programs to ensure compliance with national objectives, federal grant regulations and local plans and policies. The objectives of the CDBG and HOME Programs are to develop a viable urban community by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate income.

III. Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide Block Grant services to the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not provide any block grant funding or services for the unincorporated area prior to annexation

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not plan to provide any additional services for Block Grant services in the unincorporated urban reserve area prior to annexation.

### SERVICE: CULTURAL AFFAIRS

### INTRODUCTION

In 1979, the City of Gainesville formed the Department of Cultural Affairs under the mandate of providing a strong cultural presence to build and support the arts in the community.

The Department of Cultural Affairs, designated as the Local Arts Agency for Alachua County, works in liaison with the Gainesville-Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board. Five members of this board are appointed by the Alachua County Commission, with the remaining board membership appointed by the City Commission. The Board's services include cultural planning and arts advocacy, as well as economic impact studies and developing the local cultural action plan in liaison with the Florida Department of State's Division of Cultural Affairs. The Department also serves as the City liaison to the Gainesville-Alachua County Art in Public Places Trust, a five member Trust (three members are appointed by the City, and two by the County) that oversees the public art programs of the City and County.

In addition, the Department of Cultural Affairs provides artist services to the region, including 5 grants programs including administration of the County's Destination Enhancement funding for cultural and eco-heritage organizations, technical assistance for

grants, workshops and marketing. Programs include the Thomas Center Galleries programs that include art exhibits in

conjunction with the Alachua County School Board, guided tours of the historic Thomas Center for all third grades in the County, and discounted youth passes for school tours from 13 surrounding counties to the annual Hoggetowne Medieval Faire. The ARTSREACH program places art exhibits at the Gainesville Regional Airport, the County Administration Building and City Hall. These services and programs are provided at no or low cost to the participants.

The Department organizes City support services for all major annual civic events and special events, including the services of fire/rescue, law enforcement, and administrative agencies/departments. The Department also interacts with the State of Florida's Department of Transportation, for State road closings. The Department produces several major festivals and public events that include the Downtown Festival and Arts Show with the Jazz Fest component, the 5 day Hoggetowne Medieval Faire, and the annual New Year's Eve Celebration, as well as a regular Friday Night series at the Downtown Plaza All of these events are open to the general public.

III. Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville Department of Cultural Affairs currently provides services to all cultural and eco-heritage agencies in the entire County. Events and programs are open to all residents and visitors.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The Department of Cultural Affairs is funded through a variety of sources including the City's General Fund, user fees, grants and state funding

## C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

There are no plans for additional services in the unincorporated area prior to annexation.

SERVICES: GAS SERVICE, COMMUNICATION SERVICE

GAS SERVICE INTRODUCTION

Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) currently provides natural gas service to customers within the service area as shown in Map 1. The service area shown includes areas generally within one quarter mile of existing gas distribution facilities. Approximately 6,200 customers are currently served in the Urban Reserve Area, or approximately 25 percent of total gas customers. Customers are provided natural gas primarily for water heating, space heating, and cooking purposes. Gas is presently purchased from the Florida Gas Transmission Company. Four different pressures are maintained in the various subsystems comprising the gas distribution system depending on subsystem design and materials of construction.

Activities performed in providing gas service include the following:

**Planning**: System planning is performed to ensure that gas service desired by customers is provided safely and reliably. GRU's Gas System meets all requirements of the Federal Office of Pipeline Safety and the Florida Public Service Commission. Facilities are planned to maintain or enhance safety and reliability to existing customers as well as serve additional customers. A six year capital budget is updated on an annual basis.

Engineering: GRU performs engineering services for all gate stations, regulator stations, gas distribution mains, services, and meter installations.

Construction: GRU constructs all gas distribution mains. GRU maintains construction drawings and documents for the life of all projects. GRU tests all newly constructed facilities prior to placing the facility in service.

Maintenance: GRU maintenance activities include line location as part of the No Cuts utility location system, a leak detection program, a corrosion control program, a valve-exercising program, and a meter changeout and calibration program

**Operation:** Safety inspections are performed prior to activating gas service. Mandatory load management is enforced during periods of curtailment, and meters are read monthly for billing purposes.

**Conservation**: Customers are provided with incentives and information to promote gas conservation.

#### **Identification of Capital Facilities**

GRU owns and operates four gate stations where gas is purchased from the Florida Gas Transmission Company for distribution using GRU's gas distribution system. Three of the gate stations are in the City and one is in the proposed Urban Reserve Area. In addition, GRU owns and maintains 10 regulator stations where pressure is reduced to the appropriate distribution pressure for the particular subsystem. Of the 10 regulator stations, four are in the proposed Urban Reserve Area. GRU owns and operates approximately 485 miles of gas distribution mains ranging from 1.25 inches to eight inches in diameter. The system is looped when possible and divided into subsystems for

the four different distribution pressures. Major gas distribution mains are shown in Map 2.

III. Services Provided By Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

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# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GRU's capital projects are funded by a combination of equity and proceeds from revenue bonds. Other services are provided from revenues derived from bases rates and customer charges. A feasibility study is performed on every extension request. Developers must make a commitment to ensure that at least 80 percent of the houses in the development use gas for heating and water heating purposes. A financial analysis is performed to determine the rate of return over a 30- year period; if that return meets corporate objectives (currently 14 percent), then gas service is extended and fully paid for by GRU.

# C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The FY 2005 GRU budget contains \$8.5 million in proposed capital expenditures. A feasibility study is performed on every extension request. Developers must make a commitment to ensure that at least 80 percent of the houses in the development use gas for heating and water heating purposes. A financial analysis is performed to determine the rate of return over a 30-year period; if that return meets corporate objectives (currently 14 percent), then gas service is extended and fully paid for by GRU.

### COMMUNICATIONS INTRODUCTION

The GRUCom fiber optic network is utilized to provide Private Line and Special Access Internet transport circuits. Private Line circuits are point-to-point, unswitched channels connecting two or more customer locations with a dedicated communications path. Special Access circuits are also unswitched and provide a dedicated communications

path, but these circuits connect a customer location to the Point of Presence of another telecommunications company GRUCom transport services are provided at various levels ranging from 1.5 megabits per second (Mbps) to 2.5 gigabits per second (Gbps).

GRUCom also uses the fiber optic network to provide high-speed, dedicated Internet access services. Business connections to the Internet are offered at access speeds ranging from 256 kilobits per second (Kbps) to 45 Mbps. Dedicated Internet access is also offered to residential customers in participating multi-dwelling complexes as a shared 10 Mbps Ethernet service.

Additionally, GRUCom offers dial-up and ISDN Internet access services under the domain names GRU.Net, Gator.Net, and SFCC.Net. The dial-up access speeds available are 56 Kbps and 128 Kbps. Various value added Internet related services, such as e-mail and roaming, are also available to GRUCom Internet access customers.

GRUCom operates eleven communications towers in the Gainesville area and leases antenna space on these towers as well as on two of the GRU system's water towers. Two of the five antenna sites for the countywide public safety radio system are also located on these communications towers. Wireless communications service providers lease space on the towers and, in most cases, also purchase fiber transport services from GRUCom to receive and deliver traffic at the towers.

The newest line of business for GRUCom is public safety radio. These services are provided over Federal Communications Commission (FCC)-licensed 800 Mhz frequencies utilizing a trunked radio system that is fully compliant with the FCC's long-term plan to restructure its frequency allocations, and meets current industry standards for interagency operability. The system consists of 22 trunked voice frequencies and 6 wireless data frequencies. Antenna sites are linked to the network controller and various dispatch centers utilizing GRUCom's transport services.

GRUCom's customer base is growing as the fiber optic network is expanded and new product offerings are introduced. Customer types vary for each GRUCom business activity.

GRUCom's fiber transport customers include other telecommunications companies, commercial and industrial businesses, governmental agencies, schools, and hospitals. As of September 2004, GRUCom had approximately 118 transport customers with 687 circuits provisioned.

Dedicated Internet access services are provided to other Internet service providers, local businesses and organizations, and participating multi-dwelling complexes. Dial-up Internet access services are provided to the general public in the local calling area. As of September 2004, GRUCom had 1,850 dedicated Internet access customers while dial-up customers totaled 3,351

GRUCom tower-space-leasing services are used primarily by wireless service providers, which include cellular telephone and personal communication services companies. As of September 2004, GRUCom had executed 38 tower leases, for space on 13 antenna sites with 7 different wireless communications service providers including, in alphabetical order, Alltel, ATT, Cingular, Nextel, Sprint, T-Mobile, and Verizon.

Public safety radio customers consist solely of government entities due to restrictions on the use of the frequencies allocated to the system under licenses issued by the Federal Communications Commission. The primary radio system users include: the System, City of Gainesville Police, Fire Rescue, and Public Works departments, the University of Florida's Police Department, Santa Fe Community College's Police Department, and the Alachua County Sheriff, Fire Rescue, and Public Works departments. These users have entered into a service agreement through 2014, with minimum commitments for the number of users and monthly fees per user established for voice, data, and dispatch subscriber units. The public safety radio system is operated by GRUCom on an enterprise basis, but an interagency Radio Management Board has been established to govern user protocols, monitor system service levels, and review system changes that could increase rates. The system was designed to accommodate additional participants, and the contract with each participating agency provides incentives to allow the system to expand. Currently, all users have been activated, and the system is in full operation. As of September 2004, GRUCom had activated 2,483-voice radio and 30 mobile data radio services, and 26 dispatch consoles on the public safety radio system.

### **Identification of Capital Facilities**

As of September 2004, GRUCom had 216 miles of fiber optic cable installed throughout Gainesville and Alachua County. The fiber strand count included in the cable depends in service requirements for the particular area and ranges from 12 to 144 strands. The fiber is installed in a ringed topology consisting of a backbone loop and several subtending rings. Service is provisioned with optical equipment manufactured by Nortel Network (primarily) using the Synchronous Optical Network (SONET) standard protocol. Additionally, GRUCom can provision services on the fiber utilizing the Ethernet standard protocol, and for these services equipment manufactured by Cisco Systems is primarily used. The maximum transport speed currently utilized in the fiber optic network is 2.5 Gbps, which is enough bandwidth to deliver more than 32,000 simultaneous phone calls (as an illustration). Bandwidth on this network is a function of the electronic equipment utilized and, with technologies such as dense wave division multiplexing, expansion of the transport capability of the network is virtually unlimited.

GRUCom has a 3,900 square foot Central Office located in downtown Gainesville that serves as the main equipment node on the fiber network. This carrier class facility has dual fiber entry, redundant air conditioning systems, battery and diesel generated backup power, a fire suppression system, and a high-level security system. From this facility GRUCom interconnects to exchange network traffic with the other major telecommunications companies serving the Gainesville area, including AT&T, BellSouth, MCI, Interstate Fibernet and Progress Telecom Rack space is also available for lease in the Central Office by other telecommunications companies, Internet service providers and GRUCom customers for the co-location of their equipment. This provides these entities with the highest level of operational reliability possible and easy access to the GRUCom fiber network. As of September 2004, GRUCom had 6 colocation customers. GRUCom has two separate backbone connections into the Internet. One connection is at 155 Mbps and the other is at 45 Mbps. The 155 Mbps connection is picked up by GRUCom on its fiber at the AT&T access node in Gainesville while the 45 Mbps connection is delivered by Sprint to Gainesville from their access node in Tallahassee, Florida These facilities are combined and resold either as dedicated access or retail dialup services. The public radio system employs a Motorola 821 MHz simulcast system configured with five (5) transmit and receive tower sites including 22 simulcast voice, 6 data frequencies, and 2 additional mutual aid channels.

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GRUCom Services and associated facilities are described in the Introduction above.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GRU's capital projects are funded by a combination of equity and proceeds from revenue bonds. Other services are provided from revenues derived from bases rates and customer charges.

# C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Additional Services Planned for the Urban Reserve Area are outlined in the GRU 2004-2005Budget Capital Budget Detail. This detail includes expansion of GRUCom's fiber optic network.

### **SERVICES: FIRE PROTECTION**

#### INTRODUCTION

Gainesville Fire Rescue (GFR) provides emergency and non-emergency services to the City of Gainesville (51% of county population) and, through the Designated Assistance Agreement, unincorporated urbanized Alachua County (25% of county population). Services in the Designated Assistance Agreement (DAA) between the City of Gainesville and Alachua County are:

- Fire Suppression
- Advanced Life Support/Emergency Medical Services
- · Automatic Mutual Aid
- · Mutual Aid

Other services provided by GFR both inside and outside the city limits include:

- Public Fire Education
- Fire Investigations (inside city only)
- Fire Prevention/Code Inspections and Enforcement (inside City only)
- Plans Review (inside City only)
- Firefighter/EMT/Paramedic Training Hazardous Materials Emergency Response
- Specialized Emergency Support Services (cave-in, collapse, trench, elevated rescue)

These services are provided from seven fire stations as illustrated in Map 3

Since 1996, fire and emergency medical services are provided to the City of Gainesville by GFR and ACFR under the DAA, which replaces and supercedes contracts from the preceding 24 years, starting in 1972. Each party may annually designate areas within its political boundary in which it does not desire services from the other. Each party may also change staffing levels under the same notice requirement. These "designations" are non-negotiable, and can be made solely for the benefit of the party receiving the services. The DAA remains in effect until terminated by one or both parties with 365 days notice.

III. Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION See above introduction to Fire Protection.

### B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Fire rescue services are compensated by a formula contained in the DAA. Services are traded "per response" on a yearly basis with the party receiving the excess (over the break-even point) compensating the other. Adjustments in political boundaries impact the reimbursement by shifting which party receives the services from the other – because the facilities remain in place, absent an agreement to transfer them or construction of any new facility. The City funds the entire budget of the department through general fund and deposits reimbursements (if any) from the county in arrears, as they are collected

## C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GFR provides hazardous materials emergency response services to the entire unincorporated area of Alachua County. This role will gradually transition to a shared responsibility through the North Central Florida Regional Hazardous Materials Team (NCFRHMT). In order to meet the growing demand for community protection, GFR will continue to work toward the establishment of programs designed to prevent hazardous incidents in the City. There are no plans for any other additional fire and rescue services prior to annexation.

**SERVICE: HOUSING** 

INTRODUCTION

The City of Gainesville Housing Division (City) provides comprehensive housing services to very low, low, and moderate-income City residents and eligible rental property developers to improve the quality of life and revitalize neighborhoods by providing decent, safe and affordable housing. Through the utilization of CDBG, HOME and State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funding, the City provides a full range of housing services such as housing rehabilitation, house reconstruction, new single-family construction, down payment assistance, mortgage foreclosure intervention, rental rehabilitation, new construction rental, special needs housing, and homebuyer/homeowner education and training. The CDBG, HOME and SHIP funding awarded to the Housing Division may only be expended in the incorporated areas of the City.

III. Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City and Alachua County jointly administer and award funding for the Special Needs Housing Program through an inter-local agreement

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Financing for the Special Needs Housing Program is provided by SHIP funding.

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

No additional housing services are planned for the unincorporated reserve area before annexation.

#### **SERVICE: LAW ENFORCEMENT**

#### INTRODUCTION

Services provided by the Gainesville Police Department include, but are not limited to:

- 24 hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week emergency police response, and high visibility proactive patrol service. (See Map 4)
- Enforce all state laws and municipal ordinances
- Conduct follow-up criminal investigations
- Handle all narcotics enforcement and drug interdiction to include mid-level and upperlevel sources.
- Provide specially trained personnel to conduct crime scene investigations.

- Present prosecutable cases to the State Attorney.
- Provide specialty enforcement, such as traffic enforcement, Bike Unit, K-9 Unit and Aviation Unit
- Provide crime prevention resources to all residents.
- Assist with the development of partnerships between GPD and community members to deal with crime and quality of life issues.

Communications for the Gainesville Police Department is provided by the Alachua County /City of Gainesville Combined Communications Center. The Combined Communications Center is operated by staff from the Alachua County Sheriff's Office and provides twenty-four-hours-a day processing of all emergency and non-emergency public safety calls for the City of Gainesville. The Lieutenant of the Support Services Division of the Gainesville Police Department meets on a weekly basis with the Director of the Combined Communications Center concerning any and all communications issues.

III Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Except in times of emergency or other special requests, routine police services are not provided by the Gainesville Police Department outside the City limits, with the exception of Joint Aviation Unit.

In addition, the City's Special Investigations Division (SID) may assist Alachua County Sheriff's Office, Florida Department of Law Enforcement and/or the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration with operations outside of the City Limits SID is comprised of the GPD Narcotics Unit, the FDLE Task Force and the DEA Task Force SID is tasked with narcotics enforcement and interdiction at multiple levels, from street-level drug dealers through major drug traffickers, as well as the investigation of different vice crimes such as gambling, prostitution, and prescription fraud

## B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Funding for GPD officers assigned to SID and the Joint Aviation Unit is through the City of Gainesville's General Fund

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

There are currently no plans for the Gainesville Police Department to provide additional services to any area outside the current City limits

### SERVICE: PARKS AND RECREATION

#### INTRODUCTION

The Gainesville Recreation and Parks Department provides recreation and nature programs and facilities to Gainesville residents as well as to residents living in the adopted Urban Reserve Area. All programs and facilities operated by the Recreation and Parks Department are open to persons residing in this adopted Urban Reserve Area, and throughout the County.

The following activities are provided by the City's Recreation and Parks Department:

AQUATICS: Recreational Swim; Lap Swim; Aquacize (Adults & Seniors); Youth Swim Lessons; Adult Swim Lessons; Youth Diving Lessons; Advanced Water Safety Courses; Swim Team; Facility & Party Rentals; School Physical Education Classes; Biathlons; Special Events, including Aquatic Expo, Senior Games, Back-to-School Bash; and Tournaments, including National Underwater Hockey Tournament, Swim Meets, and Dive Meets

ATHLETICS: Youth Tackle Football; Youth Basketball (Boys & Girls); Youth Baseball; Girls Softball; T-Ball/Rookie Ball; Youth Track; Youth Racquetball & Tennis; Youth Cheerleading; Youth Indoor Soccer; Youth Sports Camps; Adult Basketball; Adult Volleyball; Adult Racquetball & Tennis; Adult Softball (Co-Ed & Men's); Adult Indoor Soccer; Special Events, including tournaments for all sports, Sunshine State Games, Law Enforcement Games, Senior Games, Youth Basketball of America Tournament, and Fun & Fitness; and Sports Clinics, including Football, Cheerleading, Basketball, Baseball, Girls Softball, and Indoor Soccer.

CENTERS: Variety of Leisure Programs, including Tumbling, Karate, Judo, Archery, Ceramics, Crafts, Bridge, Square Dance, Western Dance, Clogging, Pool, Table Tennis, Table Games, Scrapbook Classes, Gardening, Computer Instruction, Tutoring/Homework Help, Outdoor Basketball, Cheerleading; Facility Rentals; Community Education Classes; After-School Activities (Drop-In & Formal); Day Camp; Special Holiday Activities; Senior Citizen Programs; Dances (Youth, Adult & Seniors); Special Events, including Mother/Son & Daddy/Daughter Dinners

PLAYGROUNDS: After-School Program (multiple sites); Summer Day Camp (multiple site); Summer Nutrition Program (multiple sites); After-School Snack Program (multiple site); Special Events, including Hoop Shoot, Halloween Extravaganza, Thanksgiving Meal Program, Kwanzaa Celebration, Christmas Parties, Santa's Calling, Red & White Ball (Valentine's Dance), Spring Break Camps, Fun & Fitness.

NATURE OPERATIONS: The Nature Operations Division provides education, environmental and folk life heritage programming, consultation, preservation, habitat and natural resource management, environmental assessments, environmental planning, acquisition, design and facility development. The Nature Operations Division's environmental education program section offers a wide array of formal and informal educational experiences in the fields of environmental and historical education, including a broad range of interpretive services. The division creates and delivers curriculum enrichment programs for every grade level, kindergarten through 12th. These programs are based on the curricula approved and in current use by the School Board of Alachua County, and are designed to help students succeed with the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) Programs are provided to the public and private schools,

including home-school groups, both locally and out of county. Other programs offered by this section include Winter break, Spring Break and Summer day camp, special programs at libraries and for Scouts, naturalist-lead wildflower and nature walks, craft workshops, living history re-enactments and tours, field trips, weekend classes, as well as nature-based special events, offered annually. These programs are conducted both on and off site reaching a wider range of participants.

The Natural Resource Management section provides programs designed to protect and restore environmentally sensitive land as well as to allow resource based public recreation where it is compatible with the protection of the natural resources. This staff develops management plans for each of the properties; conducts plant and animal inventories and monitoring; removes nonnative invasive plants; plans and conducts habitat restoration projects; conducts prescribed burns and property cleanups an well as designs and develops public use opportunities. The section has worked with a variety of environmental agencies to coordinate and develop natural resource management procedures and has worked with thousands of volunteers in various capacities in city owned nature properties. As part of the management plans, archaeological monitoring is conducted in order to address the historical significance of many of the properties being managed by Nature Operations Division.

### **Identification of Capital Facilities**

The following capital facilities are available to City residents and to residents of the adopted Urban Reserve Area:

Archery Range (1)

Baseball/Softball Fields (14)

Jogging Trails (2)

Track (1)

Multi-Purpose Courts (11)

Playground/Picnic Areas (14)

Racquetball Courts (10)

Recreation Centers (6)

Senior Center (1)

Gymnasium (1)

Swimming Pools (3)

Tennis Courts (19)

Tot Lots (10)

Alfred A Ring Park, Morningside Nature Center, Bivens Arm Nature Park, Palm Point Park, Boulware Springs Park and Boulware Springs Historic Waterworks Facility, Gumroot Park, Loblolly Environmental Facility and Loblolly Woods, the Lowland Flatwoods, and the Hogtown Creek Greenway, are among the many properties the Nature Operations Division.

Westside Park, Northside Park, Greentree Park, Northeast Park, Lincoln Park, Cone Park and TB McPherson Park are all active park facilities maintained and improved by the Parks Division. In addition, several tracks of land in the Hogtown Creek Watershed and elsewhere in the Urban Reserve are owned, managed and operated by the City of Gainesville's Recreation and Parks Nature Operations Division. The City has a

commitment through grants with the State to develop, operate and provide access to the residents of Alachua County to access these lands.

III Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE BEFORE ANNEXATION See above introduction for Parks and Recreation.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville finances the provision recreation and park services before annexation in the same manner as services are provided to current residents. Revenue sources include the City's General Fund, and special revenue accounts to handle user fees, and state and federal grants. Residents in the unincorporated reserve choosing to participate in City of Gainesville recreation programs are required to pay a fee differential for program user fees.

# C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

There are no plans for additional services for just the unincorporated urban reserve area.

### SERVICE: POTABLE WATER

#### INTRODUCTION

Gainesville Regional Utilities provides potable water for residents residing in the city limits, and those residing in the urban reserve and within the boundary of the urban services area Customers are provided with high quality, softened water, meeting all state and federal drinking water standards Customers use the potable water for domestic, commercial, industrial, and irrigation purposes. The water distribution system also supports fire hydrants located in the Urban Reserve Area.

The following activities are performed to provide water service to GRU customers:

**PLANNING**: System planning is performed to ensure that water supply, treatment, and distribution are adequate to provide customers with a reliable source of high quality water, free from contamination at the customer's tap. A six-year capital budget is updated on an annual basis to provide the necessary support facilities to provide potable water to GRU water customers.

**ENGINEERING**: Engineering design, design review, and construction management and inspection services are provided to ensure that capital facilities are constructed to GRU standards. Maps showing the location and attributes of facilities owned and operated by GRU are maintained. Additionally, a backflow prevention program is administered to

ensure that materials used at individual service locations will not contaminate the distribution system.

**CONSTRUCTION**: GRU constructs the majority of the new water distribution facilities built each year The balance of water distribution facilities are constructed by others on a contract basis. Water distribution facilities are also constructed to GRU standards by developers and dedicated to GRU after completion and inspection.

MAINTENANCE: GRU maintenance activities include meter changeout and calibration, backflow preventer testing, and repair of leaks and breaks GRU also locates water mains as part of the service provided by No Cuts, the statewide contractor who is responsible for locating utilities in public rights of way

**OPERATION:** The Murphree Water Treatment Plant and the water distribution system are operated and maintained to provide high quality water on a continuous basis. Water is monitored at the plant as well as in the distribution system to ensure that treated water is of high quality and that the quality is not degraded in the distribution system. Water services are turned on and off by GRU at the request of the customer. Meters are read monthly for billing purposes.

CONSERVATION: Customers are provided with information and devices to promote water conservation. GRU owns and operates the Murphree Water Treatment Plant located in the City; an extensive water distribution system containing approximately 1,003 miles of transmission and distribution facilities; two elevated storage tanks; and two ground storage repump facilities. In addition to the piping system, the distribution system includes fittings, valves, meters and hydrants. The Murphree Plant has a nominal design capacity to treat fifty-four million gallons per day (mgd) of lime-softened, stabilized, fluoridated, filtered, and disinfected water. A permit re-rate was completed to construct additional supply wells and a new filter bypass to increase total capacity from 34 to 54 mgd. The Murphree Plant provides potable water to the Urban Reserve Area as indicated in Map 5. The water distribution system is a looped system, with pipe sizes ranging from small individual services to 36-inch diameter transmission mains. GRU owns and operates service lines and meters serving individual customers. GRU maintains maps showing the location of all water mains, fire hydrants, and valve locations.

GRU owns and maintains 4,552 hydrants in its service area as shown in Table 1. GRU owns and operates 1,716 hydrants in the proposed Urban Reserve Area and supports an additional 76 privately owned hydrants.

TABLE 1
FIRE HYDRANTS OWNED OR SUPPORTED BY GRU

HYDRANT CLASSIFICATION	City	Urban Reserve Area	Total
Owned & maintained by GRU	2,836	1,716	4,552
Private hydrants served by GRU	317	76	393

III. Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GRU currently provides potable water to customers within the service area as shown in Map 5. The service area shown includes areas generally within one-quarter mile of existing water facilities. Approximately 20,300 customers are presently served in the Urban Reserve Area for a total of about 41 percent of GRU's water customers.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GRU's capital projects are funded by a combination of equity and proceeds from revenue bonds. Other services are provided from revenues derived from bases rates and customer charges. As described above, developers often pay part or all of extension costs.

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GRU currently has sufficient capacity to meet projected demands through 2026. GRU has budgeted for water system projects in the urban reserve area over the next six fiscal years. Water main extensions will range in size from eight to 36 inch diameters, with a total length of 58,000 feet and will in some cases also provide transmission benefits to the existing system. A detailed description by project stating the length, diameter, location. and timing of each extension is included in GRU's 2004-2005 Capital Budget, which includes projects for the Water Treatment Plant, transmission distribution systems and extensions, relocation for road construction, backflow prevention devices, and meters and service laterals. Many of the extensions will be partially funded by developers requesting the extension GRU's existing extension policy, in effect since 1984, is that new water customers pay the fully allocated cost of the treatment facilities required to serve them in the form of plant connection fees, and the cost of distribution facilities in the form of transmission and distribution fees and Contribution in Aid of Construction (CIAC). Any developer requesting off-site extension of a water main pays a CIAC sufficient to ensure that GRU receives an appropriate rate of return on its portion of extension costs. The extension policy is fully described in the document titled "Water and Wastewater Extension Policy and Connection Charges" prepared by GRU in 1984 and updated in 1989.

### SERVICE: WASTEWATER SERVICE

#### INTRODUCTION

GRU provides wastewater collection and treatment services within the proposed Urban Reserve Area as shown in Map 6. The service area shown includes areas generally within one-quarter mile of existing wastewater collection facilities. Of a total of approximately 44,800 connections, approximately 38 percent or 17,200 are in the proposed Urban Reserve Area. Wastewater is treated to meet applicable state and federal requirements at either the Main Street Wastewater Treatment Plant located in the City of Gainesville, or the Kanapaha Water Reclamation Facility located in the Urban Reserve Area.

The following activities are performed to provide service to GRU wastewater customers:

**PLANNING:** System planning is performed to ensure that wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal are adequate to meets the needs of GRU customers while ensuring that the environmental impacts are acceptable. A six-year capital budget is updated on an annual basis to provide the necessary support facilities to provide wastewater services to GRU customers.

**ENGINEERING:** Engineering design, design review, and construction management and inspection services are provided to ensure that capital facilities are constructed to GRU standards. Maps showing the location and attributes of facilities owned and operated by GRU are maintained. Additionally, an industrial pretreatment program is administered to ensure that all industrial wastes introduced to GRU's system can be fully treated at the wastewater treatment plant.

CONSTRUCTION: GRU constructs many of the wastewater collection facilities built each year including gravity sewers, lift stations and force mains. Construction of the balance of wastewater collection facilities are contracted on an as-needed basis. Wastewater collection facilities are also constructed to GRU standards by developers and dedicated to GRU after completion and inspection.

**MAINTENANCE**: GRU maintenance activities include line location as part of the No Cuts utility location system, inspection of existing gravity sewers on a regular basis, repair of gravity sewers in place as required, and repair of breaks and leaks.

**OPERATION:** The Kanapaha and Main Street Plants are operated to comply with all state and federal discharge standards. Water quality is monitored at various points in the treatment process, prior to discharge, and after the wastewater effluent is introduced to the receiving environment. Collections system operation involves operation of an extensive network of lift stations and force mains.

**CONSERVATION:** Customers are provided with information and devices to promote water conservation and thus decrease wastewater flows.

#### **Identification of Capital Facilities**

The Main Street Wastewater Treatment Plant (MSWTF) is located in the City and has a design capacity of 7.5 mgd. Due to changes in discharge requirements, the facility was upgraded from 1989 through 1992. The MSWRF provides advanced secondary wastewater treatment with discharge to Sweetwater Branch.

The Kanapaha Water Reclamation Facility (KWRF) is located in the County and currently has a design capacity of 14.9 mgd. The KWRF provides advanced secondary wastewater treatment and produces reclaimed water that meets primary and secondary

drinking water standards. Reclaimed water is provided to customers for irrigation uses and the creation of water features. Any reclaimed water not used by reuse customers flows to gravity recharge wells that recharge the lower Floridian Aquifer.

GRU also owns and operates an extensive wastewater collection system with approximately 553 miles of gravity collection lines, 147 lift stations, and 126 miles of force mains Of the total 147 lift stations, 73 are currently located in the proposed Urban Reserve Area. Additionally, GRU maintains maps of all gravity sewers, manhole locations with elevation and inverts, service line locations, force main locations, and lift station data

III Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Wastewater Treatment Services provided include wastewater collection facilities. Wastewater is treated to meet applicable state and federal requirements at either the Main Street Wastewater Treatment Plant located in the City of Gainesville, or the Kanapaha Water Reclamation Facility located in the Urban Reserve Area.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVEAREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GRU's capital projects are funded by a combination of equity and proceeds from revenue bonds. Other services are provided from revenues derived from bases rates and customer charges. As with water main extensions, many wastewater collection system extensions will be partially funded by the developer requesting the extension. GRU's existing extension policy, in effect since 1984, is that new wastewater customers pay the fully allocated cost of the treatment facilities required to serve them in the form of plant connection fees, and the cost of collection facilities in the form of collection system charges and CIAC. Any developer requesting off-site extension of either gravity sewers or force mains pay CIAC in an amount sufficient to ensure that GRU receives an appropriate rate of return on its portion of extension costs. The extension policy is fully described in the document titles "Water and Wastewater Extension Policy and Connection Charges" prepared by GRU in 1984 and updated in 1989.

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The existing wastewater treatment facilities have a combined treatment capacity of 22 4 mgd, sufficient to provide service through the year 2013 GRU has a capital budget over the next six fiscal years to pay for reclaimed water design improvements in the Urban Reserve Area. GRU has budgeted for over-sizing costs for the two lift stations in the Urban Reserve Area. Also budgeted is construction of additional wastewater facilities including new gravity sewer and force main extensions to support service to additional parts of the urban reserve area. A complete description by project stating the length,

diameter, location, and timing of each extension is included in GRU's 2004-2005 Capital Budget Detail, which includes wastewater treatment plant projects, reclaimed water systems, lift stations, wastewater collection systems extensions, force main systems, gravity collection systems, relocations for road construction, and service laterals

### **SERVICE: SOLID WASTE**

#### INTRODUCTION

In accordance with Article III of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances, the City of Gainesville provides citywide disposal services for all municipal solid waste generated within the City limits. The City provides public education on recycling, proper disposal practices, and waste reduction to all citizens and businesses within the City. Additionally, the City's Solid Waste Division provides citywide inspection and code enforcement services to all residential homes and commercial properties. Residential curbside collection service of garbage, recyclable materials and yard waste is mandatory for residential homes within the limits of the City of Gainesville. An interlocal disposal agreement between the City and County provides that residential garbage is taken for disposal to the County Transfer Station Facility. The City pays the set disposal tipping fee at the Transfer Station. Commercial franchise policies and City Code of Ordinances govern collection of garbage, recyclables and yard waste from commercial properties in the City. There is no agreement for waste collected from commercial properties in the City to be taken to a designated facility.

III Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City provides no solid waste services to the unincorporated reserve area.

B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

This section is not applicable to the City of Gainesville.

C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City plans to provide no additional services to the unincorporated reserve area.

SERVICE: STORMWATER (DRAINAGE/FLOOD CONTROL)

#### INTRODUCTION

The Stormwater Utility within the Public Works Department maintains the City's infrastructure for stormwater management systems, which provides drainage and flood control. The Engineering Division is responsible for design, construction, and maintenance of stormwater management facilities in accordance with the Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan.

The primary activities are:

- Hydrological Studies and Design
- Stormwater Management Utility
- Flood Ordinance Administration
- Brownfields Coordination
- Coordination and implementation of the tri-party National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Program
- Develop stormwater and surface water treatment projects that help attain Class III surface water criteria for Sweetwater, Tumbling, and Hogtown Creek watersheds.
- Administer Flood Control District regulations to continue compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program
- Continue the Orange Creek Partnership in determining the influence of stormwater on Paynes Prairie ecological system.
- Continue the development of the Depot Stormwater Park.
- Provide technical and fiscal resources to eliminate 'green pond' syndrome from all water bodies receiving runoff from public areas.
- Continue implementation of a three-phase plan for completing an NPDES application in partnership with Alachua County, FDOT, and UF.
- Develop stormwater management projects to reduce the damage potential to structures in the flood plain.
- Mechanically maintain mosquito-breeding sites through physical manipulation
- Biologically control mosquitoes breeding sites
- Chemically control adult and larval mosquitoes in breeding sites.
- Check breeding sites and treat as needed and adulticide as needed.
- Conduct public education programs.
- Investigate and resolve complaints and customer service request calls
- Maintain billing records.

The Operations Division is responsible for carrying out functions and activities as follows:

- Mows and cleans approximately 90 miles of ditches, ditches within high-density residential areas or areas where trash is dumped.
- Grades to re-establish the flow line of approximately 12 miles of ditches.
- Inspects and performs minor maintenance on 100 creek crossings.
- Mows and maintains approximately 50 acres of stormwater basins.
- Installs approximately 2000 linear feet of new storm pipe
- Provides approximately 6,000 drainage inlet inspections and clean-outs,
- Implements projects contained in the Stormwater Capital Improvement Plan.
- Mechanically maintains approximately 1,300 breeding sites through physical manipulation,

- Biologically controls mosquitoes in approximately 3,200 breeding sites,
- Chemically controls adult and larval mosquitoes in approximately 175 breeding sites,
- Checks and treats, as needed, approximately 7,600 breeding sites, adulticide as needed,
- · Conducts public education programs, and
- Investigates and resolves approximately 750 complaints and customer service request calls.
- Street Sweeping.

III. Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

## A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City provides no stormwater services to the unincorporated reserve area.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

This section is not applicable to the City of Gainesville.

# C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City plans to provide no additional services to the unincorporated reserve area. **SERVICES: STREET LIGHTING** 

#### INTRODUCTION

GRU currently provides street lighting services in the City of Gainesville and in the Urban Reserve Area to the urban services line. Street lighting service is provided within the electric service areas shown in Map 7 where requested. This service area shown includes areas generally within one-quarter mile of existing electric distribution facilities. The installation of streetlights within the City limits is at the request of the City Public Works Department. Street Lighting outside the city limits and in the Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) Service Area is provided in accordance with the Fire Hydrant and Public Street Lighting Services Agreement between the City of Gainesville and Alachua County that was established on February 21, 1990. Under this agreement, new street lights in the urban reserve are requested by the County's Public Works Department.

Street lighting densities vary since street lighting is installed in accordance with the policies and procedures of the appropriate agency performing the traffic engineering function. Generally speaking, the street lighting density is higher in the City than in the proposed Urban Reserve Area.

### Identification of Capital Facilities

GRU currently operates and maintains approximately 16,245 streetlights, 4,691of which are in the proposed Urban Reserve Area and an additional 12,050 rental lights. In general,

the energy for lighting is generated at either the Kelly or Deerhaven Electric Generating Facilities, both located within the City Electricity is then transmitted at high voltage to nine distribution substations – Sugarfoot, Kelly, McMichen, Millhopper, Ft. Clarke, Serenola, Ironwood, Rocky Point and Kanapaha - three of which are located in the proposed Urban Reserve Area.

Ultimately, electricity is distributed to all the streetlights via GRU's electric distribution system. This distribution network is comprised of approximately 598.04 pole miles of overhead primary voltage conductor and 701.35 trench miles of underground primary voltage cable. The poles, fixtures, and all appurtenances are owned by GRU.

III Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Street Lighting outside the city limits and in the Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) Service Area is provided in accordance with the Fire Hydrant and Public Street Lighting Services Agreement between the City of Gainesville and Alachua County that was established on February 21, 1990 Under this agreement, new street lights in the urban reserve are requested by the County's Public Works Department and paid for by the City of Gainesville General Fund.

# B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

GRU's capital projects are funded by a combination of equity and proceeds from revenue bonds. Other services are provided from revenues derived from bases rates and customer charges. GRU presently provides street lighting in the proposed Urban Reserve Area, which is funded by the City of Gainesville General Fund. Additionally, rental lights are provided to individuals, associations, commercial customers, etc. for lighting private roadways and/or private areas.

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Street lighting is generally installed in new developments in the GRU Service Area or on an as needed basis in areas that are already developed. Street lighting is included in all new roadway projects where street lighting is warranted.

The planned transfer between GRU and Clay Electric has been completed. GRU provides electric and thus street lighting service within this service boundary. GRU has budgeted approximately \$270,000 per year for the next six years to provide about 150 new lights per year in the proposed urban reserve area. Placement of these lights will be at the request of the political entity constructing or maintaining roadways

### SERVICE: TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM

#### INTRODUCTION

#### TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

The City of Gainesville Transportation Services Division is responsible for the planning, design, operation and maintenance necessary to provide an effective and safe transportation network for vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian traffic

The Division consists of:

- Engineering
- Traffic Operations
- Traffic Signal Maintenance and Operation Services countywide
- Traffic Sign and Marking Maintenance
- Parking Permit Program
- University Residential Parking Program
- Downtown Long Term Program
- City Employees
- Street Lighting Program
- Bicycle/Pedestrian Program
- Provides liaison support for the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board
- Provides liaison with the Alachua County School Board to conduct bicycle/pedestrian safety rodeos
- Traffic Calming Program

#### REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM

The City of Gainesville Regional Transit System (RTS) has provided public transportation services throughout Gainesville and adjacent areas of Alachua County for 29 years. RTS ridership was over 8.1 million for FY 2003, primarily due to ridership demands in areas consisting predominately of high-density off-campus student residential housing. RTS offers unlimited riders through its buss pass program for employees of the City of Gainesville, University of Florida, and Alachua County, in addition to free service for all ADA eligible riders on the fixed route system.

III. Services Provided by Municipality Before Annexation

# A. IDENTIFICATION OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville provides maintenance and operation services for all traffic signals and flashing beacons throughout Alachua County including the unincorporated reserve area. The City of Gainesville provides transit service in a portion of the reserve area. (See Map 8).

## B. FINANCING OF CURRENT SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES (IF ANY) PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

Financing for the maintenance and operation services for traffic signals and flashing beacons is provided through Interlocal agreements with Alachua County and related municipalities. The City of Gainesville finances transit and paratransit services in portions of the unincorporated reserve area through use of gas taxes, federal and state grants and interlocal agreements with Alachua County, and user fees.

### C. PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO ITS UNINCORPORATED RESERVE AREA BEFORE ANNEXATION

The City of Gainesville does not currently have plans to provide additional services before annexation.