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## High Risk Fire Safety Inspector Implementation Plan

### Program Description:

The Gainesville Fire Rescue Department will perform Fire Safety Inspections on approximately 800 High Hazard properties by employing an additional Fire Safety Inspector. The High Risk Fire Safety Inspector will conduct 800 annual inspections and coordinate the issuance of 800 annual hazardous materials permits. This program will be funded entirely by permit and inspection fees. Estimated annual cost of program will total \$80,000. Projected revenue generated \$100,000.

### Coordination with ACDEP:

ACDEP inspects approximately 800 facilities in the City Limits.

Management for Gainesville Fire Rescue and Alachua County Department of Environmental Protection are responsible for administering their respective programs and assuring mutually beneficial coordination between the agencies. GFR & ACDEP will meet on a weekly basis for the first 4 months of implementation. In months 5-8 the agencies will meet on a monthly basis. Thereafter, the agencies will meet on a quarterly basis, (January, April, July, and October).

The Gainesville Fire Rescue High Risk Inspector will shadow the ACDEP inspector(s) during the first 4 months of the program. During this period the inspector will gain an understanding of the scope of inspections performed by ACDEP.

ACDEP inspections focus primarily in issues related to environmental discharge.

GFR High Risk Inspector will perform fire safety inspections that focus on

- Means of egress
- Housekeeping
- Fire protection systems
- Other life safety requirements

GFR & ACDEP will jointly inspect certain properties. Management will determine which properties will receive simultaneous joint inspections. Factors such as type of hazard(s) present, size of facility, and history of facility will be considered when determining which inspections will be handled as a simultaneous joint inspection.

### Inspection and Permitting:

There are approximately 800 properties within the City of Gainesville that will qualify for the special High Risk Inspection Program. GFR will issue annual permits to these occupancies for a fee of \$75. GFR recommends that existing mechanisms be utilized to bill and collect these fees. Approximately \$60,000 will be raised annually from the permit fees. Permit renewal will be predicated upon a satisfactory fire safety inspection.

800 properties will be inspected annually at a projected average cost of \$50 per inspection. Approximately \$40,000 will be raised annually from inspection fees.

**Hazardous Materials Facility Inspection Fee Schedule**

5000sqft and under	\$50.00
5001 – 15,000	\$125.00
15,001 - 30,000	\$175.00
30,001 – 100,000	\$250.00
100,000 – 200,000	\$300.00
200,001 – 500,000	\$350.00
500,001 – and over	\$400.00

Compliance may be achieved through several channels:

- Denial of permit renewal
- Revocation of permit
- Civil citation
- Code Enforcement Board

Properties identified for inspection include the following:

Vehicle paint & body	Pest control	Plastic manufacturing
Gasoline station	Printer	Radiator repair
Dry cleaner w/plant	Veterinary	Anodizing shop
Automotive service station	Dental	Battery manufacturing & reclamation
Analytical lab	Aircraft maintenance	Fleet maintenance operation
Furniture refinishing	Boat maintenance	Boat manufacture
One hour photo lab	Engine repair	Hospital
Standard photo lab	Jewelry manufacturing	Welding
Mechanical repair	Golf course	Medical supply
Dipping operation	Chemical treatment	Compressed gas
Chemical manufacture	Chemical storage	Cabinetry shop
Lawn & garden	Nail boutique	Hardware store w/hazmat
Big box store w/hazmat	Paint manufacture	
Machine shop	Paint distributor	

**Fiscal Impact:**

Startup cost: \$95,000  
 Annual cost: \$ 65 - 80,000  
 Revenue generated: \$100,000

Startup cost:

Personal Services	60,000	Salary & fringe
Capital	20,000 – auto	Off lease

	5000 – desk top & laptop computer	
	5000 – office furnishings	
Operating	5000	
Total:	\$95,000	

Annualized cost:

Personal Services	60,000	COLA & Step Incre
Operating	5000	
Total	\$65,000	

**Program Initiation:**

Planning will begin upon program approval. Affected businesses will be notified of this adjustment 60 days prior to implementation, (August 1, 2000). Permitting and inspection will begin October 1, 2000. Program managers will evaluate effectiveness of program when they meet quarterly.