CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

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Government

The City is governed by the City Commission, which currently consists of seven members. Four are elected from single member districts and three are elected Citywide. The Mayor is elected by the residents of Gainesville.

The following are the current members of the City Commission:

	Term <u>Expires</u>
Mayor Craig Lowe, At-Large	May 2013
Commissioner Lauren Poe, At-Large, Mayor Pro-Tem	May 2015
Commissioner William Thomas Hawkins, At-Large	
Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls, District 1	
Commissioner Todd Chase, District 2	
Commissioner Susan Bottcher, District 3	
Commissioner Randolf M. Wells, District 4	

THE UTILITIES SYSTEM

General

Under its home rule powers and pursuant to the Charter, the City owns and operates the System, which provides the City and certain unincorporated areas of the County with electric, natural gas, water, wastewater, and telecommunications service. Natural gas service is also provided to retail customers within the corporate limits of the City of Alachua, Florida ("Alachua") and the City of High Springs, Florida ("High Springs"). All facilities of the System are owned by the City, and all facilities, except the City's undivided ownership interest in CR-3, are operated by the City. The System is governed by the City Commission.

The electric system was established in 1912 to provide street lighting and electric service to the downtown area. Continuous expansion of the electric system and its generating capacity has resulted in the electric system serving an average of 92,272 customers in the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011 and having a maximum net summer generating capacity of 610.2 MW.

The natural gas system was acquired from the Gainesville Gas Company in 1990 to provide gas distribution throughout the City. The gas system served an average of 33,207 customers in the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011.

The water and wastewater systems were established in 1891 to provide water and wastewater service to the City. The water and wastewater systems served an average of 68,952 and 61,370 customers, respectively, in the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011. The water system has a nominal capacity of 54 Mgd and the wastewater system has a treatment capacity of 22.4 Mgd AADF.

The telecommunications system, GRUCom, was established in 1995 to provide communication services to the Gainesville area in a manner that would minimize duplication of facilities, maximize interconnectivity, simplify access, and promote the evolution of new technologies and business opportunities. GRUCom operates a state-of-the-art fiber optic network and current product lines include telecommunications transport services, Internet access services, communication tower antenna space leasing services, and public safety radio services.