

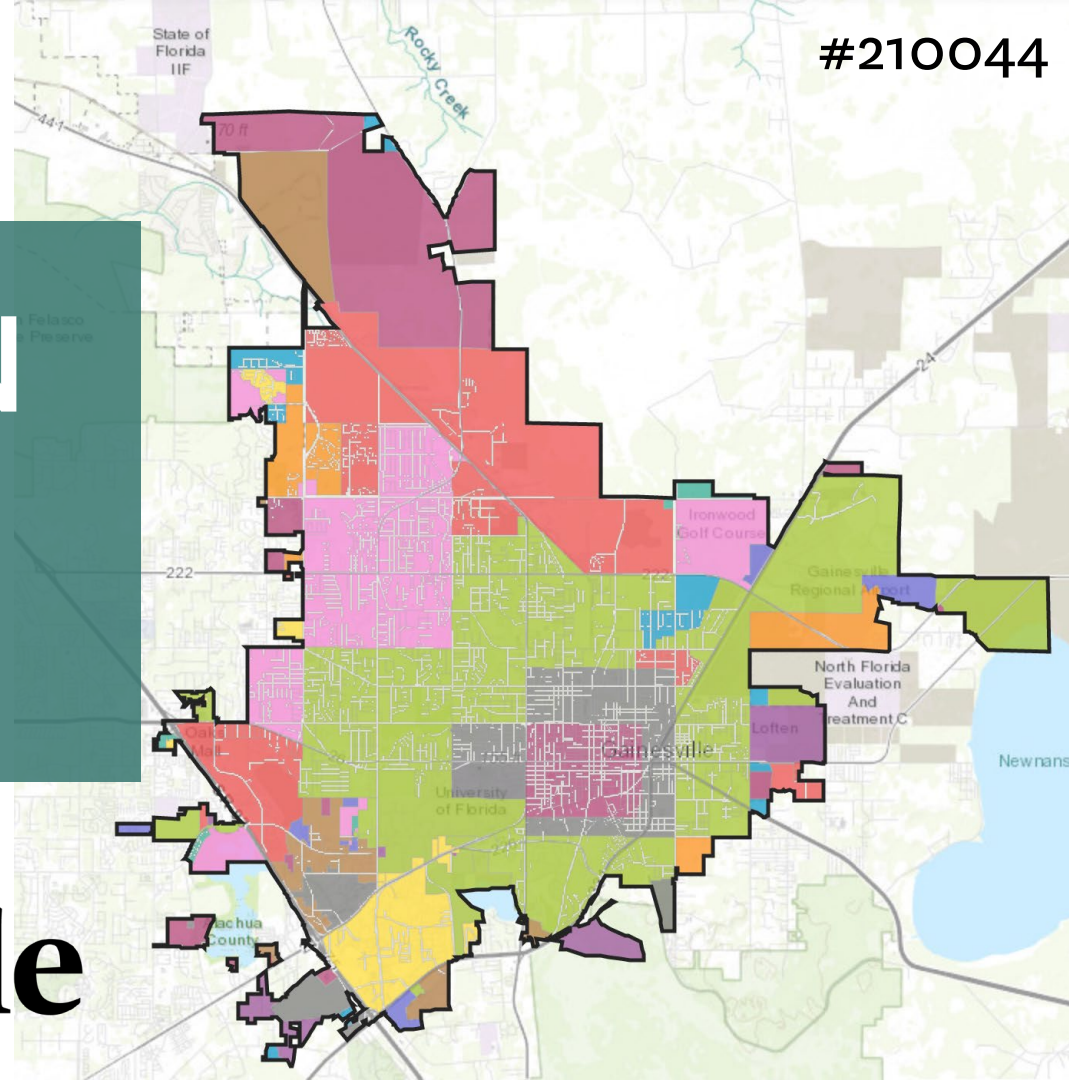
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ANNEXATION POLICY

Department of Sustainable Development
June 10, 2021



City of
Gainesville



Join the City of Gainesville

How do I join?

You can join through a process called annexation - it's what happens when a property owner or neighborhood becomes a part of the city.

Being a part of the city means we provide you with services such as water and sewer, trash collection, bus services, fire service, parks, cultural facilities and police service. Most property owners annex into the city to access these superior services.

Am I eligible?

Land adjacent to the city limits can annex! If you are unsure, give us a call and we will help you determine eligibility.



✓ Eligible



✗ Not Eligible

A COMPACT

B CONTIGUOUS

C ENCLAVE

Properties are close together

Touch the boundary of the City

Doesn't create an Enclave:
Bounded on all sides

Why join?



Lower utility bills:
No utility surcharges



Increased voting rights:
Vote in both city and county elections



Urban services: Unlimited yard trash pickup, mosquito control, street sweeping, free tree planting and more



Policing and community patroling provided by Gainesville Police Department



Emergency services provided by Gainesville Fire Rescue



Lower cost or elimination of surcharges for access to city parks, pools and recreation sites



Maintenance of traffic signs, street markings and street maintenance in neighborhoods



Maintenance of retention ponds, decreasing flooding potential, and stormwater pipe network

What's the process?

Call 352-334-5023. We want to personally answer your calls.

week 1

Application is submitted

week 5

Application review and City Commission Meetings scheduled

week 7

City Commission Meeting 1 of 3

week 7&8

Advert runs in the Gainesville Sun

week 9

City Commission Meeting 2 of 3

week 11

City Commission Meeting 3 of 3

week 16

Vote * only applicable for annexation by referendum

fun FACT

We received around 10 voluntary annexation petitions per year!

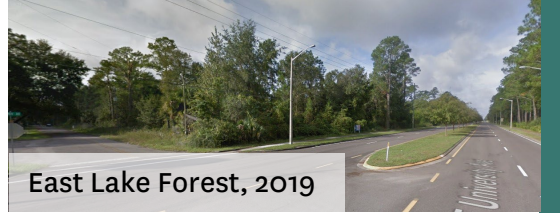
City of Gainesville Annexation Strategy, 2002

Adopted 8/12/2002; Legistar No. 020257



GOAL 1

Areas seeking to annex into the City will be annexed



GOAL 2

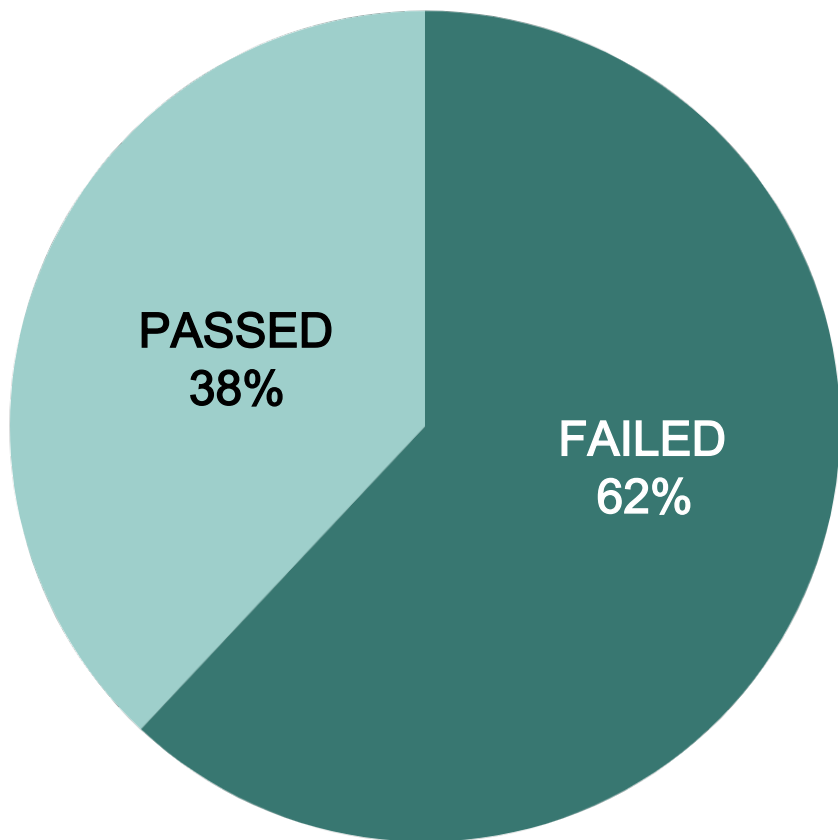
The City will facilitate areas desiring annexation, regardless of size



GOAL 3

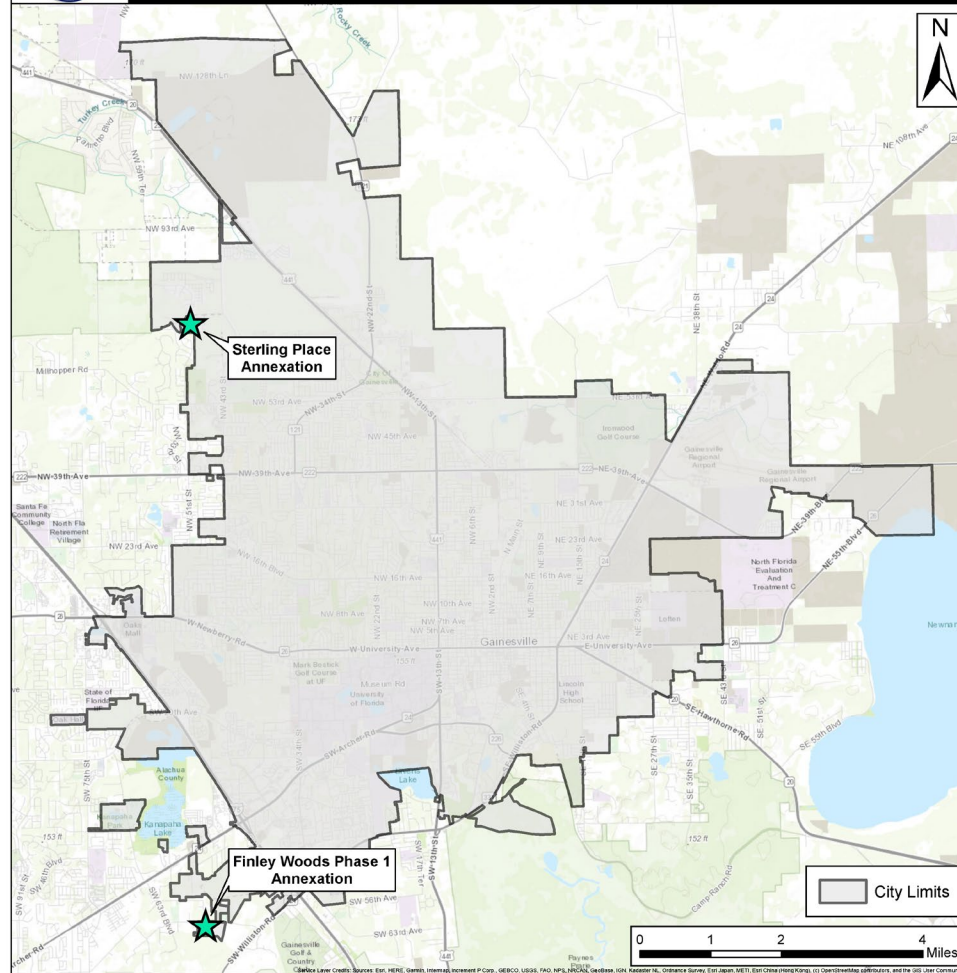
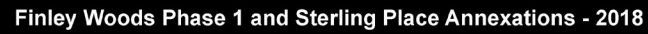
The City will review market research, voting patterns and other information to define areas that have the highest likelihood for annexation

History of Annexation Referendums 1985 - Present



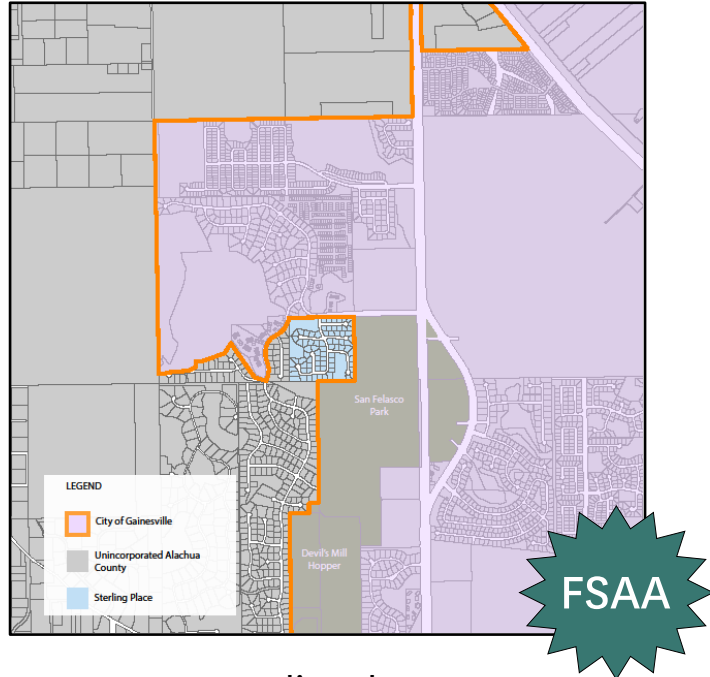
Past annexation referendums have a
38% success rate

Outcome	# of ref.	% of total
Failed	20	62%
Passed	12	38%
Total	32	100%

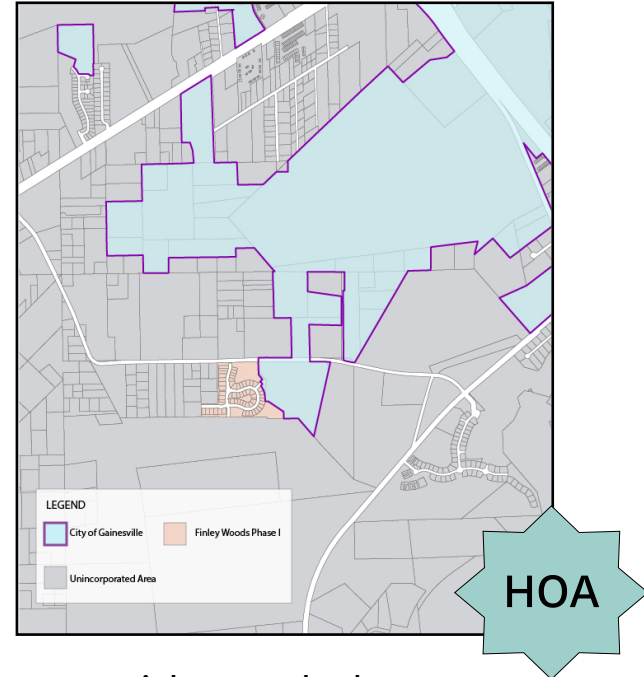


Recent Referendum Efforts 2017/2018

Recent annexations show that issue-specific referendums are more likely to pass



Sterling Place



Finley Woods Phase 1

Who should drive annexation?

City-initiated

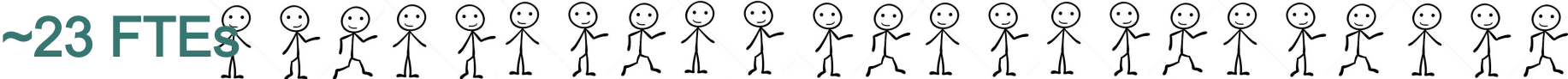
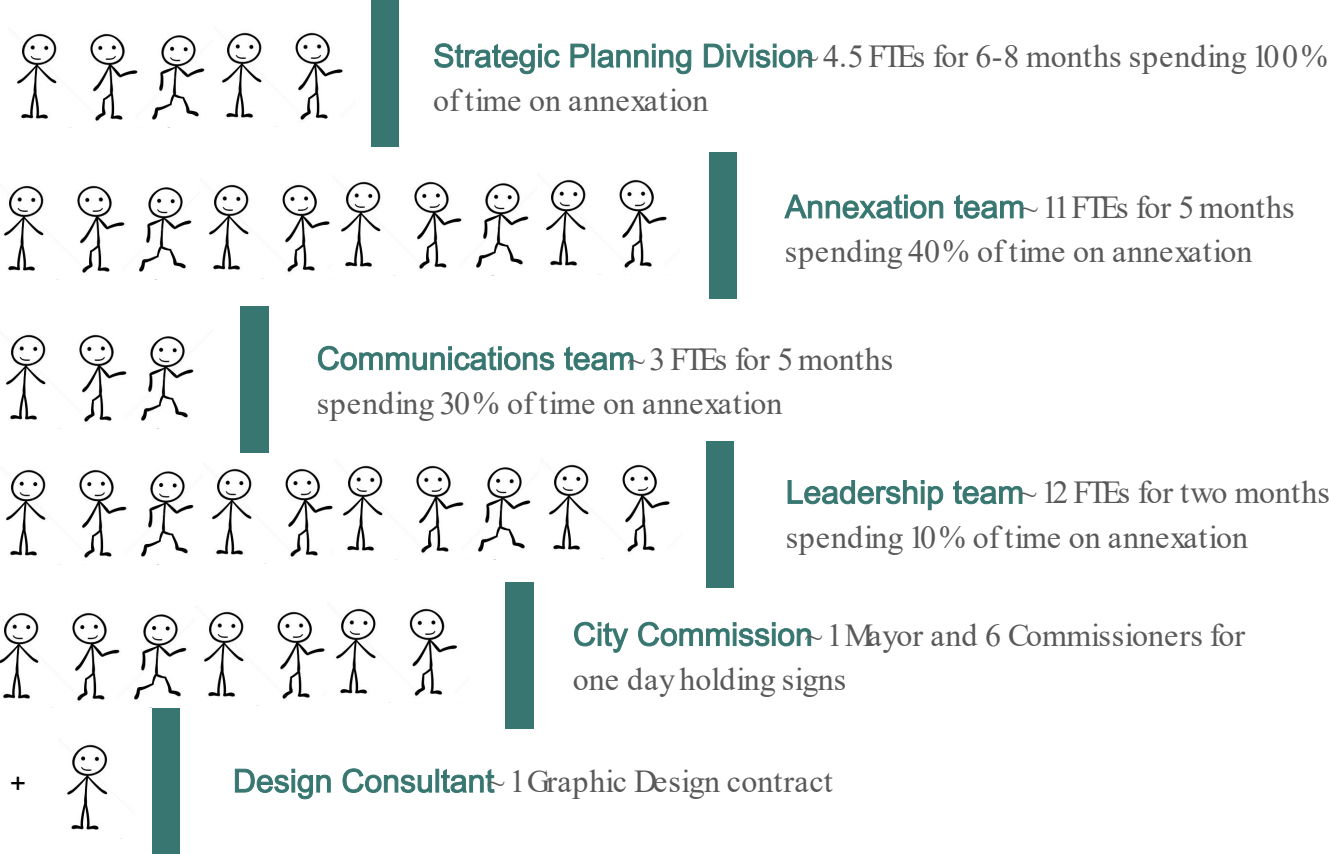
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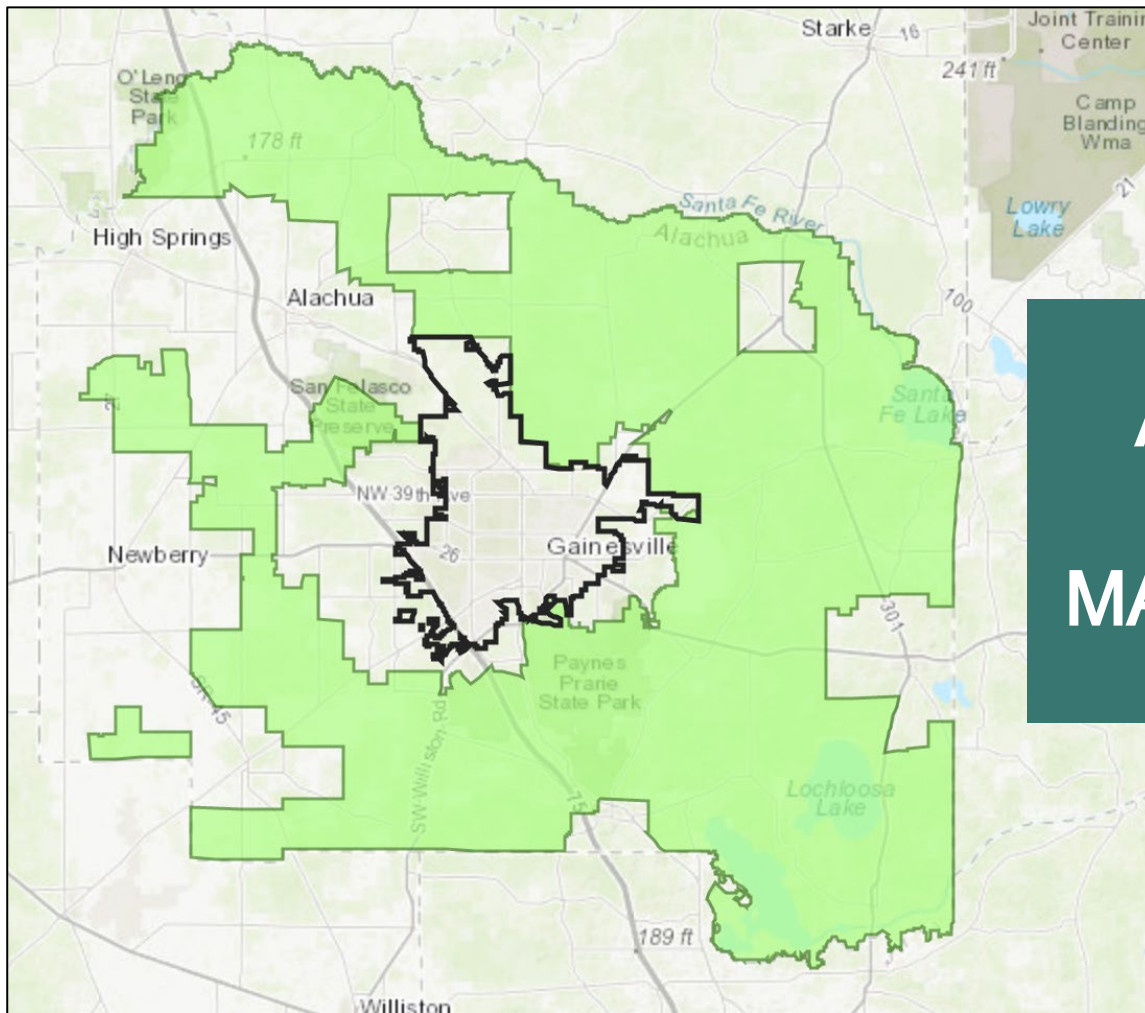
Neighbor-initiated



Resource Allocation

SW 20th Ave Example





ALACHUA COUNTY GROWTH MANAGEMENT AREA

Adopted 2020

Fiscal Analyses (A Historical Snapshot)

Annual Fiscal Impact Estimate

Date: 2/9/2018

Brewers & Saunders & Saunders
3005 SW Williston Road

Parcel Number	07176-011-000		
		Current Millage Rates	
2017 Total Taxable Value	\$ 254,760	County	\$ 3.72
		City	\$ 4.75
City Property Taxes	\$ 1,209		
County Unincorporated Area Property Taxes	\$ (949)	Stormwater Fees	
		County	\$ 106.20
Property Tax Difference	\$ 261	City	\$ 850.50
Stormwater Fee Difference	\$ 744		
Fire Assessment	\$ 501	Fire Assessment Fees	
Total GRU Surcharge Savings***	\$ (408)	County	\$ 296.98
Estimated Annual Cost/(Savings)	\$ 1,098	City	\$ 798.32

Annual Fiscal Impact Estimate

Date: 2/9/2018

Shands Teaching Hospital
3011 SW Williston Road

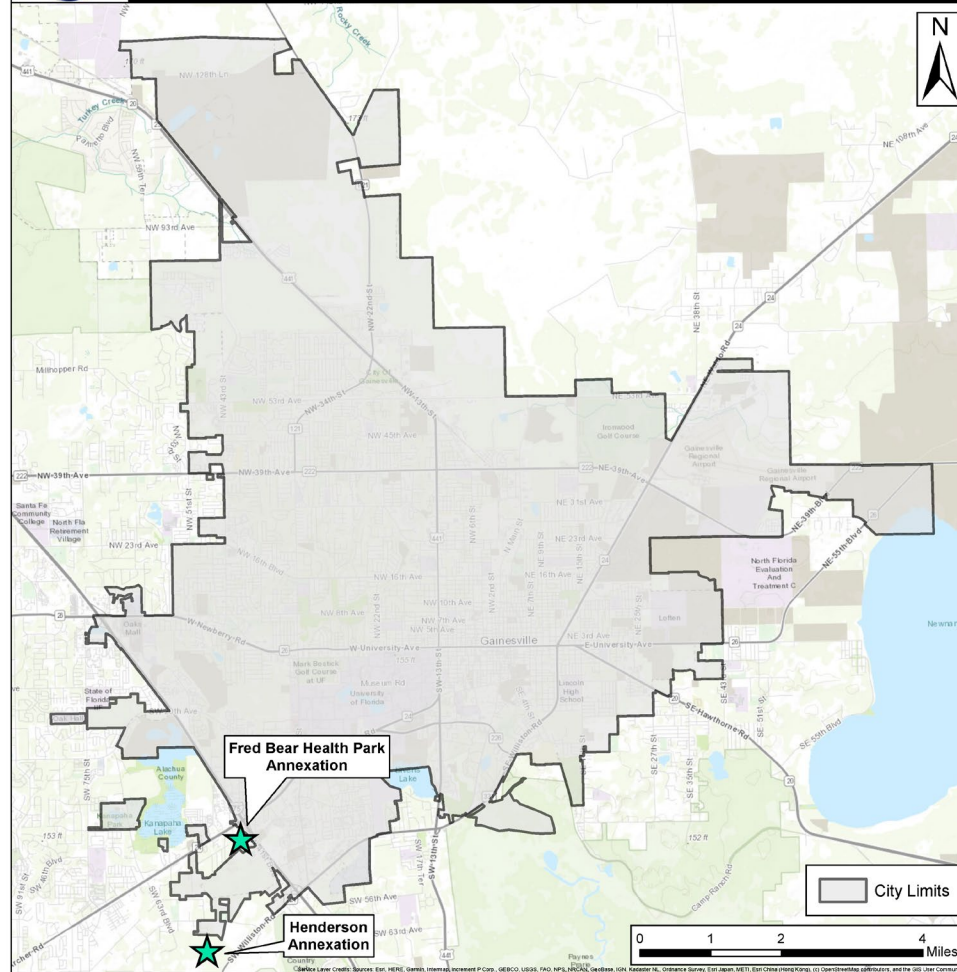
Parcel Number	07176-012-000		
		Current Millage Rates	
2017 Total Taxable Value	\$ 2,737,590	County	\$ 3.72
		City	\$ 4.75
City Property Taxes	\$ 12,996		
County Unincorporated Area Property Taxes	\$ (10,195)	Stormwater Fees	
		County	\$ 884.70
Property Tax Difference	\$ 2,802	City	\$ 2,506.14
Stormwater Fee Difference	\$ 1,621		
Fire Assessment	\$ (6,224)	Fire Assessment Fees	
Total GRU Surcharge Savings***	\$ (10,052)	County	\$ 7,324.21
Estimated Annual Cost/(Savings)	\$ (11,854)	City	\$ 1,099.78

*** GRU surcharge dates 12 months ending 11/2017

This is an estimate based on a snapshot in time.



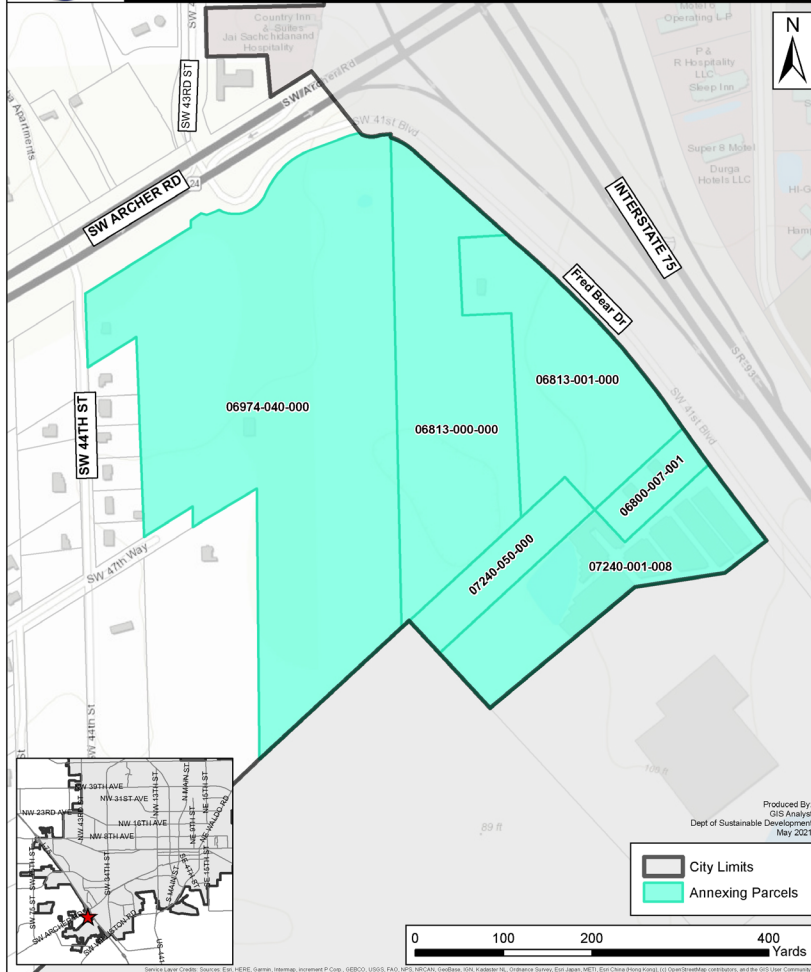
Gainesville City Limits and Proposed Annexations





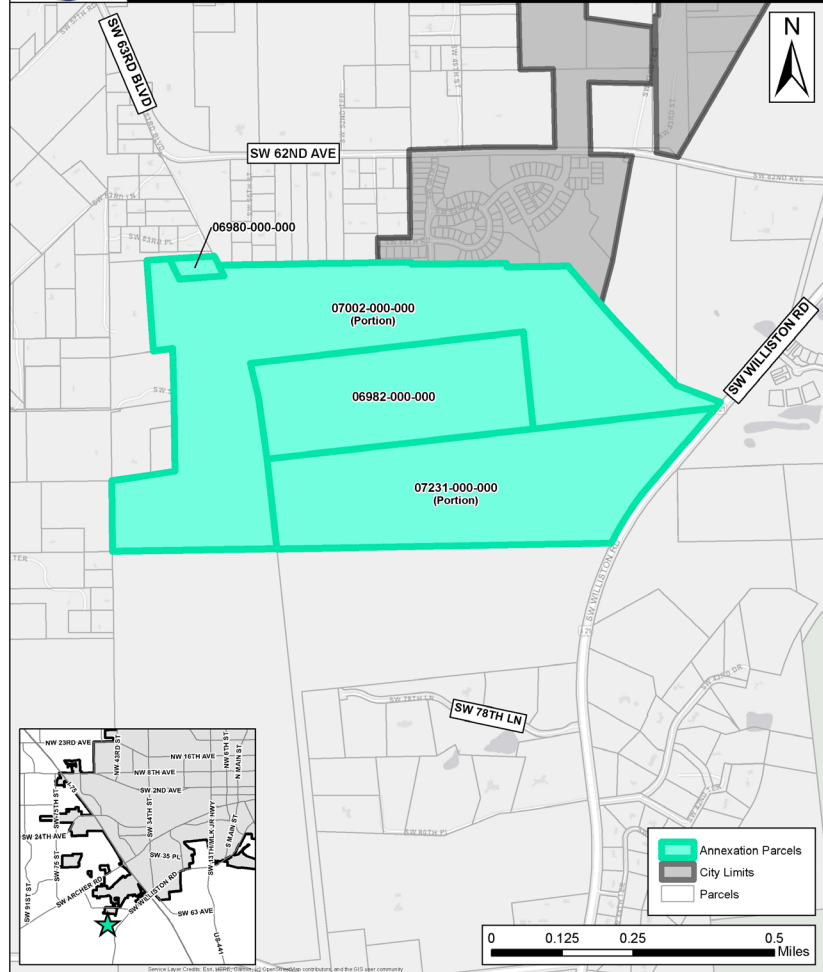
Proposed Annexation - Fred Bear Health Park

Parcels 06800-007-001, 06813-000-000, 06813-001-000, 06974-040-000, 07240-001-008, & 07240-050-000 | Voluntary Annexation



Proposed Annexation - Henderson Annexation

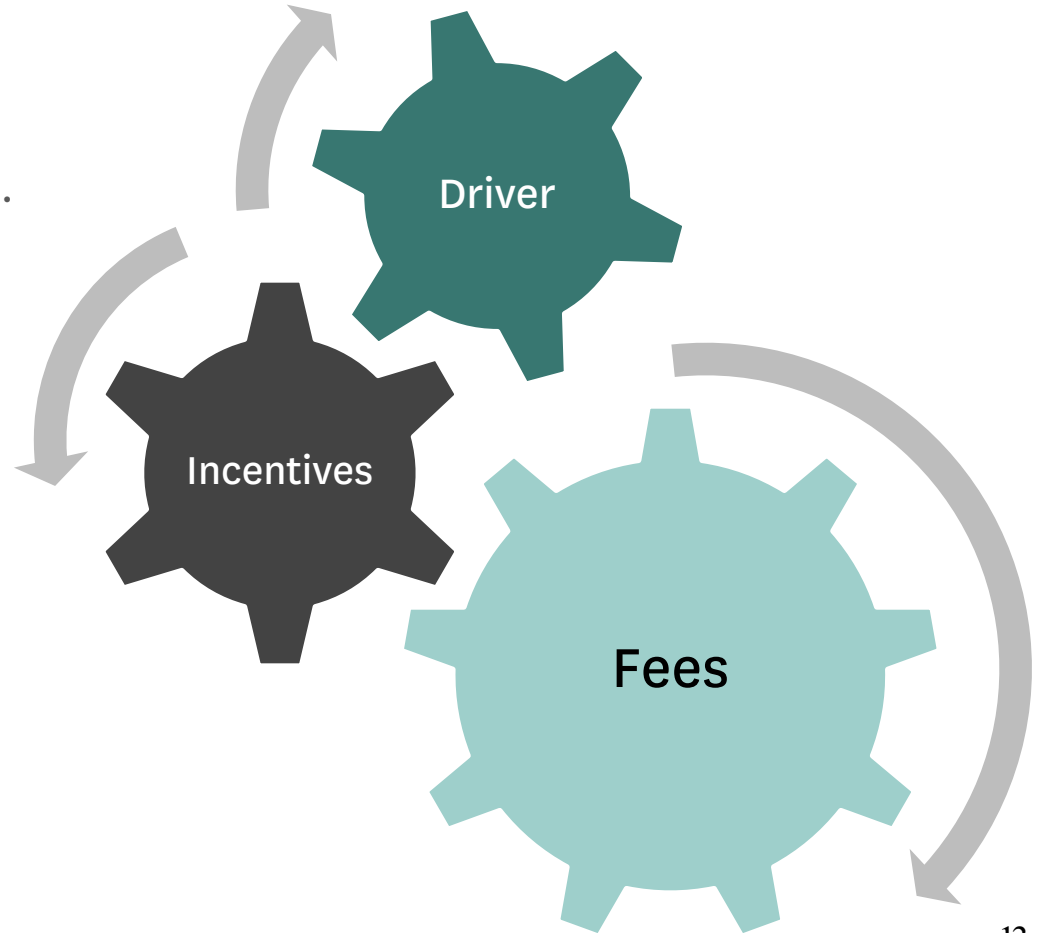
Parcels 06980-000-000, 06982-000-000, 07002-000-000 (Portion), & 07231-000-000 (Portion) | Voluntary Annexation



Summary

Rather than consider the gears *individually*...

How might we explore how they integrate into each other to create a **uniform annexation policy and strategy** that can be implemented?



Staff Recommendation

Discuss and take action
deemed appropriate

Thank You

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