



Legislation Text

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Ordinance Requiring Food Oriented Commercial Establishments to Follow a Food Waste Diversion Hierarchy (B)

Ordinance No. 210626

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Code of Ordinances by creating Division 7, titled "Food Diversion" within Article III of Chapter 27; requiring certain food oriented commercial establishments to follow a food waste diversion hierarchy; providing for general penalties in section 1-9, injunctive relief, and code enforcement; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date and an enforcement date.

The Zero Waste Subcommittee has met regularly since September 2020 to recommend new ordinances related to solid waste. The subcommittee, community builders and the City Attorney's Office have worked together to draft 3 ordinances that contain changes and additions to Article III, Solid Waste of Chapter 27, Code of Ordinances. The attached ordinance creates a new Division 7 titled "Food Diversion", which requires certain food oriented commercial establishments to divert food and food waste from the waste stream and to follow a food waste hierarchy. Because this ordinance relies upon new definitions that are contained within Ordinance No. 210129, it should not be passed until Ordinance No. 210129 is passed.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

There will be additional administrative costs associated with enforcing the new regulations.