



Legislation Text

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ORDINANCE AMENDING CULTURAL AFFAIRS BOARD AND ART IN PUBLIC PLACES TRUST (B)

Ordinance 170526

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Sections 2-281 through 2-285, related to the Gainesville-Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board to align with changes made by Alachua County regarding the local arts agency; amending Sections 5.5-2 through 5.5-5, related to Art in Public Places Trust to align with changes made by Alachua County regarding the local arts agency; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

At the City Commission Meeting on November 16, 2017, the City Attorney was directed to draft an ordinance amending the City Code of Ordinances related to the Cultural Affairs Board and Art in Public Places Trust.

In 1991 the Board of County Commissioners designated the City of Gainesville as the Local Arts Agency for Alachua County. Subsequently the City Commission approved the creation of a joint City/County Commission-appointed Cultural Affairs Board to advise on cultural interests and Art in Public Places Trust to advise on public art for both the City and County. At their August 22, 2017 meeting, the Alachua Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) voted on consent to repeal its 1991 resolution and appoint Alachua County as the Local Arts Agency of Alachua County.

Consistent with the action taken by the BoCC, the City of Gainesville is no longer serving as the Local Arts Agency for Gainesville and Alachua County. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs staff has worked with the City Attorney's office to revise the City ordinances that establish both the Gainesville-Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board and the Art in Public Places Trust. The revisions reduce the Cultural Affairs Board from the current 15 member structure (10 City Commission-appointed and 5 BoCC-appointed) to a 10 member City Commission-appointed board, alter the makeup of the 5-member Art in Public Places Trust from 3 City Commission-appointed members and 2 BoCC-appointed members to 5 City Commission-appointed members, and updates the Art in Public Places Trust art selection and acquisition process.

CITY ATTORNEY MEMORANDUM

This ordinance requires two readings. First reading will be held on February 15, 2018; second reading will be held on March 1, 2018.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

Though not reflected in the ordinance change, moving forward the City will transfer the receipt of revenues from the sale of Arts Tags in Alachua County from the City to the County as well as the responsibility for disbursement of these funds. Disbursement is currently conducted through a formal City-administered grant process to awardees recommended by the Cultural Affairs Board. The City does not receive any administrative support for the administration of this grant from Arts Tags sales so there will be no revenue impact from this change.

The Art in Public Places Trust previously oversaw selection of public art projects funded by the County 1% for art ordinance. The ordinance calls for County funds generated from the 1% for art to remain in a special County account so there will be no revenue impact from this change.