

Legislation Text

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PARKING ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM BY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES (B)

Ordinance No. 0-07-107

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Section 26-2 of the Gainesville Code of Ordinances to provide a definition for parking enforcement specialist; amending Section 26-46 to delete the term traffic enforcement technician and to provide parking enforcement authority to parking enforcement specialists; amending Section 26-53 by deleting the term traffic enforcement technician, providing parking enforcement authority to parking enforcement authority to parking enforcement authority to parking enforcement specialists; providing for notice by department initiating impoundment and prohibiting tampering or removing immobilization devices without authority of department initiating immobilization; deleting obsolete references in sections 26-46 and 26-53; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance, as amended.

The City Commission at its November 19, 2007 meeting, authorized the City Attorney to draft and the Clerk of the Commission to advertise an ordinance allowing certain Public Works Department employees to enforce the provisions of Chapter 26 of the Code of Ordinances relating to parking enforcement duties. Currently, the code only provides for any law enforcement officer, police service technician, or traffic enforcement technician to enforce Chapter 26 and the traffic enforcement technician position no longer exists. Section 316.640(3)(c)1, Florida Statutes, provides for any properly trained personnel to enforce parking provisions, and the Public Works Department currently has a certified trainer on staff to satisfy that requirement.

After first reading, it was discovered that certain obsolete sections needed to be eliminated from sections 26-46 and 26-53 relating to delinquent fees, as such fees were moved to Appendix A, as set forth in Ordinance 070372, adopted September 24, 2007.