



## Legislation Text

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### Pole Attachment Agreement (B)

Historically Cox Communications has "rented" pole space from GRU to provide service within GRU's electric service territory. This practice has significantly reduced Cox Communications' need to place duplicate infrastructure along streets and roads as well as on private property. The use of GRU's physical plant by Cox Communications is established and governed by what is commonly called a "Pole Attachment Agreement". Such agreements must be renewed and updated periodically to reflect changes in technology, construction practice, as well as owning and operating costs. A new pole attachment agreement has been negotiated with Cox Communications which allows GRU to be more explicit and definitive in promoting overhead to underground construction projects, to be more effective in ensuring that old pole stubs are removed in a timely manner, and to earn a more appropriate return on its pole plant investment.

The City Commission authorize the General Manager for Utilities to execute a new Pole Attachment Agreement with CoxCom, Inc., D/B/A Cox Communications Gainesville/Ocala, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

The proposed pole attachment agreement will result in a recurring annual revenue to the utility. This revenue is projected to be approximately \$209,900 in FY 2000.

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