



Legislation Text

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FIRE PREVENTION CODE AMENDMENT (B)

Ordinance No. 120051

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, relating to fire prevention; amending Sec. 10-10. - Amendments to NFPA 1 Section 13.1.3 of the Florida Fire Prevention Code; Sec. 10-11. - Amendments to NFPA 1 Section 13.1.4 18.3.3 of the Florida Fire Prevention Code; Sec. 10-12. - Amendments to NFPA 1 Section 13.1.3 18.3.6 of the Florida Fire Prevention Code; Sec. 10-13. - Amendments to NFPA 1 Section 13.1.7 18.4.5 of the Florida Fire Prevention Code; Sec. 10-50. - Definitions; Sec. 10-51. - Requirements for assembly occupancy owners and crowd managers; Sec. 10-52. - Fire rescue connections; 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.

The Fire Chief, City of Gainesville, requests to amend the City Of Gainesville Ordinances to supplement the State of Florida's newly adopted Fire Prevention Code. The State of Florida engages in triennial adoption of the latest edition of the Fire Prevention Code which encompasses NFPA Fire Code 1 and NFPA Life Safety 101. Associated with this process is the opportunity for the City to memorialize any desired amendments. Historically, the City of Gainesville has maintained an elevated standard related to ensuring an adequate water supply for critical firefighting. Due to the sunseting of the City's current ordinances when the State of Florida adopted the new Fire Prevention Code, the City's Code requires revisions to ensure the inclusion of components which afford greater consideration for the installation of automatic fire sprinkler systems. Therefore, the need to reestablish any desired amendments which afford a greater level of fire and life safety protection is now present. Additional revisions will ensure that owners of assembly property maintain a crowd manager on-site during hours of operation and to engage in appropriate fire safety practices. The revisions requested by the Fire Chief, to Chapter 10, Municipal Code of Ordinances, Fire Prevention, will accomplish this goal.

On July 19, 2012, the City Commission directed the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to provide for local enhancements to the State of Florida's newly adopted Fire Prevention Code by amending Sections 10-10, 10-11, 10-12, 10-13, 10-51, and 10-52 of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances to provide.

Should the City Commission pass this ordinance on first reading, second and final reading will be held on September 6, 2012.