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REVISION TO CHAPTER 8 OF THE GAINESVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO DISCRIMINATION (B)

ORDINANCE NO. 0-09-19

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Chapter 8 of the Gainesville Code of Ordinances, relating to discrimination; amending section 8-6 by repealing the term "readily achievable"; amending sections 8-48 and 8-49 (Employment), sections 8-68 and 8-69 (Public accommodations), sections 8-88 and 8-94 (Fair housing), relating to the use of shared shower and dressing facilities; 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.

At the February 5, 2009, City Commission Meeting, the Commission referred the issue of the revision to Chapter 8 of the Gainesville Code of Ordinances to the Equal Opportunity Committee and requested the Chamber of Commerce be invited to participate in the EOC meetings.

On April 15, 2009, The Equal Opportunity Committee and members of the Gainesville business and community organizations discussed revisions to Ordinance No. 051225 relating to gender identity. The Committee recommended certain revisions to the Ordinance.

At its meeting of May 7, 2009, the City Commission authorized the City Attorney to draft and the Clerk of the Commission to advertise an ordinance amending Chapter 8, relating to gender identity regarding public shared shower or dressing facilities as it relates to area business and community organizations.

This ordinance requires two hearings. Should the City Commission pass this ordinance on first reading, second and final reading will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2009.