



Legislation Text

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WAIVE VEHICLE FOR HIRE FEES FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS (B)

Ordinance No. 140297

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Appendix A, Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges of the Code of Ordinances by revising fees, rates and charges for Vehicles for Hire; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing a retroactive effective date.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

At the November 20, 2014 City Commission meeting, the Commission directed the City Attorney to draft and the Clerk to advertise an ordinance waiving the Vehicle for Hire (VFH) fees for one year, beginning January 1, 2015.

As proposed, the ordinance would affect City fees that are unique to VFH operations. It would not affect business taxes that must be paid by all businesses including VFH operators, or fees charged by other entities with authority to do so such as the Gainesville/Alachua County Regional Airport Authority.

The ordinance waives the following fees for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015:

Franchise fee/per year (section 28-5)319.25
Medallion/permit (biennially - per vehicle)29.00
Individual driver permit fee (new, transfers and renewals)23.00
Individual driver permit fee (duplicates for lost, stolen or destroyed)12.50
Late penalty, annual report, payment not timely filed, incomplete or inaccurate (section 28-5), per month29.00

Beginning January 1, 2016, the collection of the fees shall resume. The ordinance also deletes an unnecessary reference to fees charged by the Airport Authority.

Vehicle for hire fees generated City revenue of \$15,779.25 in FY 14.