



Legislation Text

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Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory Results Report to the City Commission (B)

City Commission to hear a presentation on the results of a recent Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory conducted in partnership with International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), Local Governments for Sustainability.

In November of 2019, the City Commission passed a resolution declaring a climate emergency. A request was made by the Commission for the development of a carbon emissions dashboard.

While the City possessed much of the data needed to develop such a dashboard, staff lacked the scientific expertise to properly construct a dashboard. As a result, the City re-joined ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability, an organization dedicated to providing guidance and resources to municipalities that seek to make a positive impact on climate issues. The last time the City was a member of ICLEI was 2014.

The City also contracted with ICLEI to assist with the collection and analysis of data to develop a Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory. ICLEI has developed two inventories: a Local Government Operations (LGO) inventory that focuses solely on the operations of the City of Gainesville as an organization and a Community Wide Inventory that looks at GHG emissions for the Gainesville community as a whole.

Strategic Goal/Initiative

This effort is a Management in Progress item under Goal 2: More Sustainable Community of the City's 2021/2022 Action Agenda.

No fiscal impact at this time.

The City Commission hear a presentation from an International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) representative regarding the results of the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory and provide direction for next steps.