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ORDINANCE SETTING 2015 ELECTION DATES AND QUALIFYING DATES (B)

ORDINANCE NO. 130919
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA, SETTING MARCH 17, 2015 AS THE DATE FOR THE 2015 REGULAR CITY ELECTION AND APRIL 14, 2015 AS THE DATE FOR THE 2015 RUN-OFF ELECTION, IF NECESSARY; SETTING THE DATES FOR QUALIFYING FOR THE 2015 REGULAR ELECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

The City Commission, at its meeting of May 1, 2014, approved the dates for the 2015 regular city election and run-off election. Section 9-2 of the City Code of Ordinances requires that the dates be set by ordinance adopted no later than July 1 of each year. Section 9-10 of the City Code of Ordinances states the period to qualify as a candidate for the office of Mayor or City Commissioner shall be between the 50th and 46th day prior to the date of the election. This ordinance sets forth the actual calendar dates for 2015 as follows:

Regular election - Tuesday, March 17, 2015
Run-off election (if necessary) - Tuesday, April 14, 2015
Qualifying Period - From noon on Monday, January 26, 2015 to noon on Friday, January 30, 2015.