

Legislation Text

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C. R. Layton United States Army Reserve Center - 1125 NE 8th Avenue (B)

The C. R. Layton United States Army Reserve Center is located at 1125 NE 8th Avenue and includes approximately 6.8 acres of land improved with four structures: an administrative building, two petroleum, oil and lubricant (POL) storage buildings and a closed wash pad. Military equipment parking (MEP) area and a privately owned vehicle (POV) parking area are also located on the property.

The property was transferred to the Department of the Army in 1950 from the City of Gainesville and developed in 1951 to be utilized as a United States Army Reserve Center. The deed transferring the property to the federal government included a reverter clause indicating that the property would revert back to the City of Gainesville if no longer needed by the federal government. The City has been notified by the Army Corps of Engineers that the property is no longer needed and the City has been provided with a draft reverter agreement and a copy of an environmental report prepared for the property.

The City would need to determine a future use of the property. Commissioner Wells has been engaged on this issue with local residents who have been interested in seeing the City acquire the property. City staff recommends additional review of the property.

A limited Phase II Environmental Assessment of the property can be performed for \$6,860; funds are available in the FY12 operating budget. Once the City acquires the property, there will be recurring maintenance costs. A future use for the property will need to be identified which may have capital and recurring operating and maintenance costs.

The City Commission direct the City Manager to proceed with the Phase II Environmental Assessment of the property.