

## City of Gainesville

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## **Legislation Text**

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LISA MELTON, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JARED MELTON, DECEASED VS. CITY OF GAINESVILLE D/B/A GAINESVILLE REGIONAL UTILITIES, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA (B)

The City Commission authorize the City Attorney, and/or Special Counsel if insurance coverage is available, to represent the City of Gainesville in the case styled Lisa Melton, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Jared Melton, Deceased vs. City of Gainesville d/b/a Gainesville Regional Utilities, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, Eighth Judicial Circuit, Case No. 2012-CA-4494.

On December 3, 2012, the City was served with a Summons and Complaint filed by Lisa Melton, as personal representative of the estate of Jared Melton. On August 22, 2011, Jared Melton, an employee of Independent Drilling, Inc., was excavating with a bore auger at Tuscan Bend Apartments at which time he contacted a live underground power line. Mr. Melton was pronounced dead at the scene. The Complaint alleges negligence on the part of the City due to the power line being unmarked and unidentified. The estate seeks money damages from the City.