



Legislation Text

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Ordinance Creating New Regulations Regarding Food Waste (B)

Ordinance No. 200381

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Code of Ordinances by creating Division 6, titled "Food Waste" within Article III of Chapter 27; requiring registrations for food waste collectors; providing for an appeal process for revocation of food waste registrations; requiring commercially-collected residential properties to establish a food waste collection program; requiring commercial establishments to collect food waste and provide food waste containers; providing for civil citations, general penalties in section 1-9, injunctive relief, and code enforcement; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date and an enforcement date.

The Zero Waste Subcommittee has met regularly since September 2020 to recommend new ordinances related to solid waste. The subcommittee, community builders and the City Attorney's Office have worked together to draft 3 ordinances that contain changes and additions to Article III, Solid Waste of Chapter 27, Code of Ordinances. The attached ordinance creates a new Division 6 titled "Food Waste", which sets forth a new regulatory scheme for food waste composting and collection of food waste. Because this ordinance relies upon new definitions that are contained within Ordinance No. 210129, it should not be passed until Ordinance No. 210129 is passed.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

There will be additional administrative costs associated with enforcing the new regulations.