

Resolution No. 2024-749

A resolution of the Gainesville Regional Utilities Authority, a unit of city government of the City of Gainesville, Florida, pursuant to the power and authority of the Authority set forth in the City Charter, providing that Gainesville Regional Utilities shall no longer be subject to portions of Appendix A, Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances that relate to electricity, water, sewerage, natural gas, and general charges; modifying residential base rates for electricity; providing for the notification to the City Commission of the conflict with existing ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

WHEREAS, Article VII, 7.03(1)(b) of the Charter of the City of Gainesville, Florida vests the Gainesville Regional Utilities Authority, a unit of city government, with the power to amend the rates, fees, assessments, charges, rules, regulations, and policies governing the sale and use of services provided through the utilities; and

WHEREAS, notice has been given by posting on GRU's main website at <https://www.gru.com> notifying the public of this proposed resolution and of the public hearings in the GRU Multipurpose Room located on the first floor of the GRU Administration building in the City of Gainesville; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held pursuant to the published notice described above, at which all interested parties had an opportunity to be, and were, in fact, heard; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GAINESVILLE REGIONAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY, A UNIT OF CITY GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

27 **Section 1.** The Gainesville Regional Utilities Authority hereby enacts the following terms
28 and conditions, titled, “Appendix A – Utility Fees, Rates and Charges,” which is attached as
29 “Exhibit A,” which controls the operation of the utility system.

30 **Section 2.** It is the intention of the Gainesville Regional Utilities Authority that the
31 provisions of Section 1 of this resolution govern in place of conflicting provisions of the
32 following paragraphs of the “Utilities” portion of Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances of the
33 City of Gainesville, Florida: Paragraph (1) “Electricity,” paragraph (3) “Water,” paragraph (4)
34 “Sewerage,” paragraph (5) “Natural gas,” and paragraph (7) “In general.” To the extent this
35 resolution conflicts with the “Utilities” portion of Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances, City of
36 Gainesville, Florida, per Charter Article VII, 7.10(2), the provisions of this resolution shall
37 govern.

38 **Section 3.** If any word, phrase, clause, paragraph, section or provision of this resolution
39 or the application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional, such
40 finding shall not affect the other provision or applications of the resolution which can be given
41 effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provisions or application, and to this end the
42 provisions of this resolution are declared severable.

43 **Section 4.** All resolutions, or parts of resolutions, in conflict herewith are to the extent
44 of such conflict hereby repealed on the effective date of this resolution.

45 **Section 5.** The Gainesville Regional Utilities Authority shall notify the City Commission
46 of the conflict between the provisions of this resolution and the “Utilities” portion of Appendix
47 A of the Code of Ordinances.

48 **Section 6.** The resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption for Fiscal Year
49 2025 and shall be applicable to all monthly bills which are for the first time rendered and
50 postmarked after 12:01 AM on January 1, 2025.

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52 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 11th day of December, 2024.

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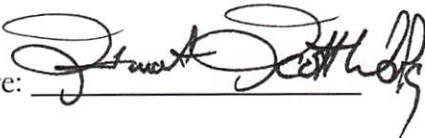
By GRUA Chairman:

Name: C. Eric Lawson

Signature:  _____

By GRU Attorney:

Name: S. Scott Walker Esq.

Signature:  _____