



Legislation Text

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Agenda Item Name:

Residential Rental Unit Permit and Inspection Program

Presenter:

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Description:

Presentation for Discussion of a Draft Ordinance for a Residential Rental Unit Permit Program

Recommended Action:

Provide Direction to Staff

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Consideration:

Funding for this program will depend on whether the program is contracted to a third party or implemented in house.

In house first year expenses would be approximately \$454,000. On-going yearly expenses would be approximately \$345,000.

Revenues will be based on the fees collected for the permit.

Background:

In September of 2020, the City of Gainesville adopted an ordinance creating a Residential Rental Unit Permit and Inspection Program. This program requires property owners to obtain a permit for rental units and requires the rental units to meet certain energy efficiency standards.

Utility bills in residential units with old non-energy efficient or broken appliances can be more than the cost of the rent and can easily push households past the 30% of income limit for what is considered affordable in housing cost. In addition, old or broken appliances and HVAC systems carry an environmental load that could be greatly reduced by upgrading to meet the energy efficiency standards in this program. This discussion is to consider a draft ordinance for the County to implement a similar program. The City's program will go into effect on October 1, 2021.