City of Gainesville
Agenda Item Report

File Number: **623-2026**

Agenda Date: November 19, 2026

Department: City Attorney

Title: **623-2026 Towing and Immobilization Fees Resolution (B)**

Description:
Resolution No. R-2026-800
A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida, establishing the maximum trespass towing, immobilization and administrative fees in accordance with section 14.5-30 of the City Code of Ordinances; providing a repealing clause and providing an effective date.

Fiscal Note:
No fiscal impact.

Explanation:
The City Commission, at its meeting on October 1, 2026, amended the towing and immobilization ordinances effective January 1, 2027, at 12:01 a.m., and directed the City Attorney to prepare a resolution updating the ordinance section numbers in Resolution No. 2026-343 which set the maximum trespass towing and immobilization rates to indicate the updated ordinance section numbers authorizing the City Commission to set the maximum fees. This resolution changes the ordinance section number which authorizes the City Commission to set immobilization fees to be consistent with the amendments to the towing and immobilization ordinances.

Recommendation:
The City Commission adopt the proposed Resolution.

Strategic Connection:
A Great Place to Live and Experience

Attachments:

1. 623-2026 FINAL Towing and Immobilization Fees Resolution 20261119

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A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida, establishing the maximum trespass towing, immobilization and administrative fees in accordance with section 14.5-30 of the City Code of Ordinances; providing a repealing clause and providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, Section 14.5-30 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, which takes effect January 1, 2027 at 12:01 a.m., provides that maximum trespass towing and immobilization fees shall be established by the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, on October 1, 2026, the City Commission amended the towing and immobilization ordinances effective January 1, 2027 at 12:01 a.m., and directed the City Attorney to prepare a resolution updating the ordinance section numbers in Resolution No. 2026-343 which set the maximum trespass towing and immobilization rates to indicate the updated ordinance section numbers authorizing the City Commission to set the maximum fees; the maximum towing fees are set forth in Section 1 below; and the maximum immobilization fees are set forth in Section 2 below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The City Commission establishes the maximum fees which can be charged to a vehicle owner or lawful possessor for the release of a towed or immobilized motor vehicle, pursuant to Section 14.5-30 of the Code of Ordinances, to be as follows:

Base towing fee for all classes of vehicles.....	$ 160.00
Storage (per day after 6 hours)……..	$ 30.00
FSS 713.78 Administrative and lien fees (after 48 hours)..	$ 75.00

Section 2. The City Commission establishes the maximum total immobilization fees and costs which can be charged to a vehicle owner or authorized person, pursuant to Section 14.5-30 of the Code of Ordinances, to be capped at no more than $80.00.

Section 3. All resolutions, or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2027, when Ordinance No. 2025-186 takes effect.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of November, 2026.

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HARVEY L. WARD, JR.
MAYOR

Attest:

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KRISTEN J. BRYANT
CITY CLERK

Approved as to form and legality:

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DANIEL M. NEE
CITY ATTORNEY