

City of Gainesville, Florida
Business Impact Estimate

This form should be included in the agenda packet for the item under which the proposed ordinance is to be considered and must be posted on the City of Gainesville's website by the time notice of the proposed ordinance is published.

Proposed ordinance's title/reference: **Ordinance No. 2024-131**

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Section 30-5.8. *Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Residences* in the Land Development Code (Chapter 30 of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances) relating to the design and development of single room occupancy residences; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. If one or more boxes are checked below, this means the City of Gainesville is of the view that a business impact estimate is not required by state law¹ for the proposed ordinance, but the City of Gainesville is, nevertheless, providing this Business Impact Estimate as a courtesy and to avoid any procedural issues that could impact the enactment of the proposed ordinance. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government;
- The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
 - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
 - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

¹ See Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, even notwithstanding the fact that an exemption noted above may apply, the City of Gainesville hereby publishes the following information:

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

This ordinance amends the Land Development Code to eliminate certain requirements relating to the design and development of single room occupancy (SRO) residences, in order to remove barriers to SRO construction to promote housing affordability and reduced sprawl.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the City of Gainesville, if any:

- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
- (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and
- (c) An estimate of the City of Gainesville's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

There is no direct compliance cost that businesses may reasonably incur due to the proposed ordinance.

There is no new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance.

There is no anticipated regulatory cost associated with the proposed ordinance.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

None

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

SRO units are a form of housing that can potentially provide a market-rate solution to housing unaffordability. This housing type offers a competitive return on investment from a lower rental rate, due to the ability to provide a greater number of units on a smaller plot of land. Removing barriers to SRO development is imperative to enable their efficacy as a market-rate affordable housing tool.