

RESOLUTION 15-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA: REQUESTING ALACHUA COUNTY TO AMEND COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 80, "YEAR-ROUND WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES AND WATER SHORTAGE REGULATIONS", TO INCLUDE THE INCORPORATED AREA OF THE CITY OF ALACHUA, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE CITY MAY DETERMINE THAT IT SHOULD ADOPT A MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE FOR THE SAME PURPOSE; AND, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, It is the intent, purpose and policy of the City Commission of the City of Alachua to protect water resources from inefficient use at all times and the over utilization of this limited resource during periods of water shortage by supporting the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) in the implementation of its year-round water conservation measures and water shortage plans; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Alachua (City) is the provider of potable water in its incorporated limits; and,

WHEREAS, all the lands within the incorporated limits of the City are located in the SRWMD; and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 80 of the Alachua County Code specifically provides the enforcement mechanism to assist the SRWMD in the implementation of its year-round water conservation measures and water shortage plans; and,

WHEREAS, the SRWMD has primary responsibility under Chapter 173, Florida Statutes, for regulating water use and allocating water supplies during periods of water shortage; and,

WHEREAS, the Alachua City Commission finds that it is advantageous, under most conditions, for the population of the City and the County to be subject to a consistent process of enforcement and procedure relating to water conservation and emergency water shortage measures; and,

WHEREAS, The City Commission finds that asking the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners to amend Chapter 80 of the County Code to extend the applicability of said chapter to the incorporated territory of the City to be in the best interests of the citizens of the City, the County and those within the SRWMD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ALACHUA CITY COMMISSION:

1. The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners is hereby requested to amend Chapter 80 of the Alachua County Code to provide for the applicability thereof to the incorporated territory of the City of Alachua on the condition that the City expressly reserves the right to

adopt its own year-round water conservation measures and water shortage regulations should the City Commission deem such action to be appropriate.

2. The Clerk of the City Commission is authorized and directed to convey a copy of this resolution to the Chair of the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED, in regular session, this 13th day of April, 2015.

CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA



Gib Coerper, Mayor

ATTEST:



Traci L. Cain, City Manager/Clerk