

**CITY OF WARD  
ORDINANCE NUMBER O-2025-23**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF WARD ORDINANCE 2025-16, ESTABLISHING POLICY CONCERNING PROVIDING CITY UTILITIES TO SUBDIVISIONS OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF WARD; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS, CITY OF WARD ORDINANCE 2025-16** was adopted in August 2025 and is need of clarifying the definition of a "Subdivision" along with establishing policy concerning new developed properties<sup>1</sup> outside the city limits.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WARD THAT ORDINANCE 2025-16 IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1 – CHANGE THE TITLE OF O-2025-16 TO READ:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF WARD ORDINANCE 2025-16, ESTABLISHING POLICY CONCERNING PROVIDING CITY UTILITIES TO SUBDIVISIONS AND DEVELOPED PROPERTIES OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF WARD; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

**SECTION 2 – CHANGE THE THIRD WHEREAS STATEMENT OF ORDINANCE 2025-16 TO READ:**

**WHEREAS, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WARD** wishes to establish policy for providing city utilities (water and wastewater) to new subdivisions, as defined by the City of Ward Unified Development Ordinance implement by City of Ward Ordinance O-2025-20, outside the city limits.

**SECTION 3 – DEVELOPED PROPERTIES:** Add the following Sections to O-2025-16.

**SECTION 2A – PROPOSED DEVELOPED PROPERTY THAT BORDERS THE CITY LIMITS OF WARD:**

- a. If sanitary sewer and water services are requested, the proposed developed property **MUST BE** annexed into the city before being brought to the Planning Commission for consideration. Applicable permits are required.
- b. If ONLY water service is requested, annexation is not required but is encouraged. Applicable permits are required.

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<sup>1</sup> i.e. individual residents, duplexes/triplex etc, commercial facilities

**SECTION 2B – PROPOSED DEVELOPED PROPERTY THAT DO NOT BORDER THE CITY LIMITS OF WARD:**

1. Proposed developed properties that DO NOT border the city limits of Ward will only be provided water service.
  - b. No sanitary service will be provided for developed properties outside the city limits of Ward, unless otherwise approved by the city following the procedures for Subdivisions in Ordinance O-2025-16.

**SECTION 2C – RIGHT OF REFUSAL:** The city reserves the right not to provide city utilities to any proposed developed property if it is deemed not to be cost effective to the city or will cause undue stress on city utilities.

**SECTION 3 – EMERGENCY CLAUSE:** This Ordinance, necessary for the continued efficient delivery of public services and for the benefit, health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Ward, should be implemented immediately. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared, and this Ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its date of passage

**SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY:** If, for any reason, any portion or portions of this ordinance shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall in no way affect the remaining portions

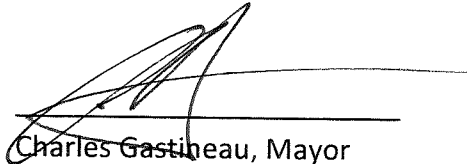
**SECTION 5 – CODIFICATION:** This Ordinance shall be codified in the Ward Municipal Code and the sections may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intention.

**SAID ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED ON** 10/21/25.

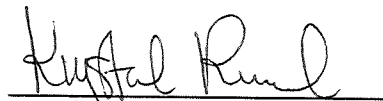
Brooke Yes, Chapman Yes, Hall Yes, Hefner Yes, McMinn Yes, Ruble Yes

**YEAS:** 6      **NAYS:** 0      Mayor (if needed) \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED:**

  
Charles Gastineau, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Krystal Rummel, City Clerk

