

CITY OF GREENACRES

Council Agenda Memo
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TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Andrea McCue, City Manager

FROM: Michael Grimm, Director/CBO, Building Department

SUBJECT: **Ordinance No. 2016-17** Amending the Business Tax and Registration Requirements of Businesses and Contractors, City Council Agenda Item for 06-20-2016

DATE: June 10, 2016

COPIES: James D. Stokes, City Attorney
Denise McGrew, City Clerk

Background:

Florida Statutes Chapter 489 entitled "Contracting" requires anyone engaging in Contracting to establish competency through certification and registration. The statutes also require local building departments, prior to issuing permits, to verify the applicant has a proper license, workers compensation insurance, and property liability insurance.

Section 8-49 of the City Code entitled "Contractors License Requirements" requires contractors that do not maintain a business office within the City to furnish proof that they possess a valid state or county license, to register their license with the City, to provide proof of liability and workers compensation insurance, and to pay a registration fee pursuant to Section 8-76. Contractors that maintain an office within the City are subject to a local Business Tax Receipt and must submit all required documents.

The City Council approved this Ordinance on first reading June 6, 2016 by a vote of 4-0.

Analysis:

In accordance with the 2016 HB535 the local enforcement agency may not require the payment of any additional fees, charges, or expenses associated with providing proof of licensure pursuant to chapter 489 which will go into effect July 1, 2016, staff is proposing amendments to the contractor registration fee section.

Financial:

The proposed amendment to the Contractor Registration is expected to reflect an estimated loss of \$2500.

Legal:

The Ordinance has been prepared in compliance with City Codes and Florida Statutes.

Staff Recommendation:

Approval of Ordinance 2016-17 amending the Business Tax and Registration requirements of businesses and contractors.

Michael Grimm CBO
Director Building Department

Attachments:

1. Ordinance No. 2016-17