

City of Gainesville

*City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601*



Meeting Agenda

February 12, 2008

4:00 PM

City Hall Room 16

Regional Utilities Committee

*Commissioner Jack Donovan, Chair
Commissioner Ed Braddy, Member
Commissioner Craig Lowe, Member*

Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in this meeting are requested to notify the Office of Equal Opportunity at 334-5051 or call the TDD phone line at 334-2069 at least two business days in advance.

CALL TO ORDER

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

070912. Regional Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes for January 30, 2008 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The Regional Utilities Committee approve the minutes for the January 30, 2008 meeting as circulated.*

RUC Meeting Minutes Jan 30 2008.pdf

CURRENT RUC ACTION ITEMS

070181. Forest Certification Stewardship Issues - Biomass Sustainability Ad Hoc Subcommittee (B)

Explanation: On October 8, the City Commission referred the question of how to assure a sustainable supply of biomass from forest operations. Since then an ad hoc Sustainable Biomass Procurement Technical Advisory Committee has been formed and met four times, and the topic has been discussed at several Regional Utilities Committee meetings. As a result of this process staff has developed a plan for biomass fuel procurement from forest resources based on an incentive approach for forest stewardship certification. Implementation of the certification program in terms of standards, incentive levels, participation targets, measurement and verification will be primarily staff's responsibilities. Nonetheless, there will be certain requirements that will be contractually imposed on the biomass plant operator related to fuel procurement and tracking related to fuel delivery. Staff will review the design of the overall program and the procurement standards that will be incorporated into the requirements for the final, binding responses to RFP 2007-135.

RECOMMENDATION *The Regional Utilities Committee authorize staff to incorporate the proposed Forest Procurement Standards into addendum #2 of RFP 2007-135 for Biomass Generating Capacity.*

Legislative History

6/18/07	City Commission	Referred (6 - 1)	Regional Utilities Committee
10/9/07	Regional Utilities Committee	Discussed	
1/30/08	Regional Utilities Committee	Discussed	

RUC Forestry Presentation October 9 2007.pdf
Backup for Forest Stewardship Item #070181 Oct 9.pdf
Memo to RUC re Backup for Item #070181 Feb 12 2008.pdf
Forest Product Procurement Standards Item #070181 Attachment Feb 12 2008.

070772. Energy Supply Options Matrix (NB)

Explanation: On November 28, 2007 the Regional Utilities Committee expressed its interest in more fully comparing the nuclear capacity option to other alternatives. A matrix designed to accomplish this was discussed with staff, which were requested to bring a working draft for review by the Committee to the January 8, 2007 meeting. The alternatives to be compared included the responses to the Biomass RFP (received December 14, 2007) the nuclear capacity option, and expanded demand side management and solar deployment alternatives.

A draft matrix was presented to the RUC at the January 30, 2008 meeting for review. This item will be discussed at the February 12, 2008 meeting as time permits.

RECOMMENDATION

The Regional Utilities Committee discuss the draft matrix received at the January 30, 2008 committee meeting which compares energy supply options on a wide range of criteria.

Legislative History

1/30/08 Regional Utilities Discussed
Committee

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

OUTSTANDING REFERRALS

070773. Regional Utilities Committee Outstanding Referral Status Report (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The Regional Utilities Committee review the Outstanding Referral Status Report updated from the November 28, 2007 report.

Legislative History

1/30/08 Regional Utilities No Action Taken
Committee

RUC Outstanding Referrals status report January 8, 2008.pdf
RUC Outstanding Referrals status report Feb 12 2008.pdf

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next RUC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 5:15 pm.

ADJOURNMENT