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Proposal to establish a GRU Advisory Board that:

- is fully empowered to review and make recommendations across all GRU areas of responsibility;
- is appointed by the City Commission and has no overlapping membership;
- consists of members with a broad and diverse range of expertise, which shall include utility, financial, and business experience;
- consists of members who are both residents of the City and the GRU service area;
- is funded to establish and maintain expertise for members, including participation in APPA programs and seminars;
- meets a minimum of once per month (timed to provide advisory recommendations to the City Commission meeting that is dedicated to GRU matters) and on an ad hoc basis for consideration of urgent matters);
- shall make advisory recommendations for all utility matters in which the City Commission has ultimate authority as per the City Charter, in lieu of the Regional Utilities Committee and the Gainesville Energy Advisory Committee;
- shall review all internal or external audit reports, and shall from time to time review implementation of all audit recommendations and report to the City Commission;
- shall serve as the citizen rate review committee on an annual basis;
- may make advisory recommendations for matters in which the General Manager has discretion, either at the request of the General Manager or by express direction of the City Commission.