

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

August 10, 2017

1:00 PM

City Hall, Room 16

General Policy Committee

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Harvey Budd (At Large)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Helen Warren (At Large)
Commissioner Charles Goston (District 1)
Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)
Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)
Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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ROLL CALL - 1:03 PM

- Present** 5 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Ward, and Commissioner Arreola
- Absent** 2 - Commissioner Goston, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** 4 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Warren, and Commissioner Ward
- Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Goston, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd, and Commissioner Arreola

AGENDA STATEMENT

[170284.](#)

General Policy Committee Minutes (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee approve the minutes of July 27, 2017*

A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** 4 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Warren, and Commissioner Ward
- Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Goston, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd, and Commissioner Arreola

[160461.](#)

Federal and State Legislative Priorities (B)

This is a request for the City Commission to hear a presentation by Peebles, Smith & Matthews on State Legislative Concepts, Topics for 2018 and to approve the priorities for the State Agenda.; as well as, to review and discuss Federal topics proposed by Van Scoyoc Associates for inclusion as City priorities in the Federal Agenda.

Carrie Bush, John Wayne Smith, and Kelly Ferrel made presentations.

Commissioner Arreola arrived at 1:08 PM.

Recommendations/Discussions by City Commission included below.

Mayor Poe - 1) Include the School Board (under-utilized lands on school property) for recreation; 2) City needs to be thinking about what happens if the County allows all

three taxes to expire; 3) See if there are any funds to invest in local companies (to localize early-stage funding); 4) Stand behind and advocate for Sante Fe College and join them on a legislative item; and 5) Relate each item to the strategic framework.

Commissioner Warren - 1) Improved communication/support from Tallahassee regarding Local & State Housing Trust Funds; 2) Job training/workforce development to those that don't have a GED; and 3) Brownfield/Superfund cleanup (asking for funds)(report back at the October meeting).

Commissioner Arreola - 1) Assistance to be trained for jobs.

Commissioner Hayes-Santos - 1) Recent road taxes overwhelming passing in the City (have that option); and 2) looking at programs to clean up septic/sewer roadways.

Motion by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Hayes-Santos for staff to move forward in drafting the State agenda with the recommendations that the City Commission approved. Motion passed 5-0. Commissioner Goston and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd absent.

Kali Blount spoke to the matter.

Wendy Thomas spoke in regards to an Apprenticeship Program through Santa Fe College and virtual inspections.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee: 1) hear a presentation by Peebles, Smith & Matthews; 2) discuss and approve priorities to be included in the State Agenda; and 3) review and discuss the Federal priorities for further discussion on October 3rd's federal workshop.

Approved, as shown above

170261.

Smart Cities Policies (B)

Dan Hoffman made a presentation.

Recommendations/Discussions by City Commission included below.

Mayor Poe -1) Ordinance language for the City Attorney's office to work on; 2) Look at equity of data; and 3) Community workshops.

Commissioner Ward - 1) Researching cities in the southeast (regionally).

Commissioner Arreola - 1) Connecting schools; 2) Sustainability for environment; 3) How to stay current with processing server power; and 4) Talking about government structure.

Kali Blount spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee receive a General Smart Cities "101" overview.

Discussed

150991.

Discussion of Recent and Ongoing City/County Issues (B)

This is a request for the General Policy Committee to discuss recent and ongoing City/County issues that have been or are sources of potential disagreement.

Mayor Poe stated that the following items were up for discussion with the County at the next joint City/County meeting: 1) Grace Marketplace (County was not interested in having a discussion); 2) Transition of Forest Park into City operations (maintenance items need to be completed - will not be on next agenda); 3) Finley Woods annexation (will be on next agenda for discussion); and 4) Mediation process for resolving gas tax and other possible disputes (will be on next agenda for discussion).

Bob Woods spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee discuss the recent and ongoing City/County issues as outlined in the staff analysis.

Discussed

[170285.](#)

General Policy Committee Referral Lists (B)

Next items for discussion on the GPC referral list: 1) No. 160776 (Gainesville annexation strategies); 2) No. 170143 (Vacation/Air BNB rentals); 3) 170198 (Issue of allowing accessory dwelling units); 4) No. 170199 (Discussion of applying the living wage to contract workers; and 5) Item No. 160396 (Enterprise Zone policies & general infrastructure economic development in other parts of the City).

Item No. 160276 (Underground utilities) - moved to 9/14/17.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee discuss and take action deemed appropriate.

Discussed

ADJOURNMENT - 3:56 PM

Kurt Lannon, Clerk of the Commission