

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes

January 26, 2021

5:30 PM

Workshop

Virtual - Teleconference

Utility Advisory Board

Wendell Porter (Member)

Wes Wheeler (Member)

Barry Jacobson (Member)

Carla Miles (Member)

Theresa Spurling-Wood (Non-Voting Member)

Tim Rockwell (Member)

Don Davis (Non-Voting Member)

Fletcher Crowe (Member)

Jason Fults (Member)

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All members were present except Member Miles. Member Rockwell entered the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

DISCUSSION ITEM

[200693.](#)

Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) (B)

Attachments: [200693 GRU IRP Presentation 20210114](#)
[200693 GRU IRP Report Master Final 20210126](#)
[200693 UAB Inputs to IRP 20210323](#)
[200693 Draft UAB IRP Input Presentation 20210323](#)
[200693 Energy Efficiency in Southeast Ann Rept 20210408](#)
[200693 Member Wheeler Notes from 1-26-21 20210408](#)
[200693 Resolution 180442 20210408](#)
[200693 Recommendations Member Fults 20210408](#)

RECOMMENDATION *Discuss GRU's IRP.*

Chair Porter presented a document he drafted and the board discussed it at length.

The following language was added as a modification and adopted at the 2-11-21 UAB Meeting:

Chair Porter, and members Wheeler, Jacobson, Fults and Crowe each expressed concerns with the need for the utility to focus less on burning gas and more on renewable energy, specifically solar, and demand management, specifically conservation, in the City's next Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). Member Wheeler mentioned the potential significant revenues from electric vehicles. Chair Porter mentioned that we need to continue focusing on making UF an electric customer. All members expressed an interest in the Advisory Board being more actively involved in the drafting of the next IRP. Chair Porter had prepared and presented written notes for the meeting. Members Wheeler and Fults volunteered to also write up their notes and member Crowe volunteered to collect and edit the notes into a single document for our next workshop. The written notes from Chair Porter, and members Fults and Wheeler are attached as backup to these minutes.

Member Wheeler asked about the status of the Board's long-delayed energy

resource policy plan? Staff assured Board members that “they are working on it.”

NEXT MEETING DATE

2-11-21

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.