

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Agenda - Final

September 8, 2016

6:00 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

City Hall Auditorium

City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)

Commissioner Harvey Budd (At Large)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Helen Warren (At Large)

Commissioner Charles Goston (District 1)

Commissioner Todd Chase (District 2)

Commissioner Craig Carter (District 3)

Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**AGENDA STATEMENT**

"Citizens are encouraged to participate in City of Gainesville meetings. In general, speakers will be limited to 3 (three) minutes per agenda item. Additional time may be granted by the Mayor or by the City Commission as directed. The City of Gainesville encourages civility in public discourse and requests that speakers limit their comments to specific motions and direct their comments to the Chair. Signs or Props are not permitted in the meeting room. Citizens are encouraged to provide comments in writing to the Clerk of the Commission before meetings and/or during meetings for inclusion into the public record. Citizens may also provide input to individual commissioners via office visits, phone calls, letters and e-Mail, that will become public record. In some instances, i.e., Quasi-Judicial Hearings, these particular contacts may be prohibited.

ROLL CALL**BUDGET****ORDINANCE - FIRST READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED**[160253.](#)**REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 27 UTILITIES AND APPENDIX A - SCHEDULE OF FEES, RATES, AND CHARGES FOR UTILITIES; ELECTRICITY, WATER, SEWERAGE, AND NATURAL GAS (B)**

Ordinance No. 160253

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Code of Ordinances, relating to Utilities; by creating and adding a new section 27-14.4, to consolidate and standardize billing adjustments throughout the utility systems; amending section 27-31 relating to electric system fuel and purchased power for public streetlight and rental outdoor light services; amending section 27-98 related to restrictions on bill adjustments for certain leaks; repealing section 27-126.2 in its entirety; amending section 27-169.1 by removing apartments from the calculation of the winter maximum for residential dwellings; amending section 27-280.2 and repealing in its entirety section 27-280.3, by consolidating and standardizing provisions for billing adjustments across the multiple utility systems; amending section 27-288.2 relating to quantities of propane fuel purchased; amending Appendix A, Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges, to revise fees, rates and charges for electricity, water, sewerage and natural gas; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

Explanation: GRU BUDGET AND FINANCE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

In the proposed budget for the combined utilities system, the General Manager for Utilities made recommendations to revise electric, water, sewerage and natural gas fees, rates and charges as required to meet system revenue requirements for Fiscal Year 2017. This ordinance is necessary to implement the changes to the fees, rates and charges which shall be applied to all monthly bills which are for the first time rendered and postmarked after 12:01 AM, October 1, 2016.

Additionally, changes are included in the proposed ordinance to amend provisions of Chapter 27 to reflect those corresponding changes in the code.

CITY ATTORNEY MEMORANDUM

During the budget process in July 2016, the City Commission authorized the City Attorney to draft and the Clerk of the Commission to advertise an ordinance revising the fees, rates and charges as required to meet system revenue requirements for Fiscal Year 2017.

This ordinance requires two readings. The first reading is scheduled for September 8, 2016. The second reading is scheduled for September 15, 2016. The new and amended fees, rates, and charges shall be applied to all monthly bills which are for the first time rendered and postmarked after 12:01 AM, October 1, 2016.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

[160253 draft ordinance 20160908.pdf](#)

[160253 UAB Statement Re Rate Tiers 20160901](#)

PUBLIC HEARING

[160153.](#)

TENTATIVE GAINESVILLE REGIONAL UTILITIES BUDGET - FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 (B)

RESOLUTION NO. 160153

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE D/B/A GAINESVILLE REGIONAL UTILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2016 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017; PROJECTING REVENUES AND ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET TO PAY FOR PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES, OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENSES, FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY, AND FOR DEBT SERVICE

REQUIREMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

Explanation: The proposed resolution adopts a tentative budget for the City of Gainesville d/b/a Gainesville Regional Utilities for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016 and ending September 30, 2017, to pay for personal services expenses, operating and maintenance expenses and other expenses, for capital outlay and for debt service requirements. The proposed resolution is submitted for adoption by the City Commission.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed resolution.*

[160153 FY17 GRU Budget UAB 20160629 - Revision 4](#)

[160153 FY17 GRU Budget 20160714](#)

[160153 FY17 Budget Follow Up LEEP CWC 20160727 Rev.](#)

[160153 Proposed Annual Operating Budget FY17 Follow Up 20160727](#)

[160153 Proposed 2017 Electric Rates 20160829](#)

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FIRE ASSESSMENT - ANNUAL RATE RESOLUTION (B)

A resolution of the City of Gainesville, Florida, relating to the provision of fire services, facilities and programs in the City of Gainesville, Florida; imposing Fire Services Special Assessments against assessed properties located within the City for the fiscal year that begins October 1, 2016; providing for exemptions; approving the assessment roll; providing for the estimated fire services assessed cost; approving the rate of assessment; providing for severability; and providing an immediate effective date.

Explanation: On July 25, 2016 the City Commission adopted Resolution 160145 (the "Preliminary Rate Resolution") which set the proposed fire services assessment rate and provided for notice by mail and publication of the proposed rate and public hearing to set the final rate. In adopting the Annual Rate Resolution, the Commission will have to determine the Fire Services Special Assessment rate for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission: 1) receive any written objections filed; 2) hear testimony from all interested persons; 3) approve the assessment roll; 4) establish the annual rate for the Fire Services Special Assessment; and 5) adopt the proposed Annual Assessment Resolution.*

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[160302.](#)**TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE - FISCAL YEAR 2016 - 2017 (B)**

RESOLUTION NO. 160302

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA; RELATING TO THE LEVY OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSE AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2016 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017; ESTABLISHING A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE; SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

Explanation: The City Commission is required by Florida Law to adopt a tentative millage rate to fund the budget for FY 2016 - 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission: 1) hear presentation from City staff regarding the tentative millage rate, the percentage increase in millage over the rolled-back rate and the specific purposes for which ad valorem tax revenues are being increased; 2) hear testimony from all interested persons; 3) discuss the proposed tax increase; and 4) adopt the proposed Resolution.

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[160303.](#)**TENTATIVE GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET - FISCAL YEAR 2016 - 2017 (B)**

RESOLUTION NO. 160303

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA; RELATING TO ITS GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET FOR THE 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2016 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017; ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE GENERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AND OPERATING PLAN BUDGET; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

Explanation: The Tentative General Government Financial and Operating Plan Budget for Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017 as prepared by the Budget and Finance Department is hereby submitted for approval by the City Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission adopt the proposed

Resolution.

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ADJOURNMENT