

# **City of Gainesville**

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



## **Minutes**

**March 1, 2017**

**3:00 PM**

**Workshop**

**Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room**

## **Utility Advisory Board**

*Annie Orlando*

*Darin Cook*

*David Denslow*

*Robert Walpole*

*Mary Alford*

*Sandra Campbell*

*Michael Selvester*

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## ROLL CALL

All members were present except Robert Walpole. Mary Alford entered the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

There was no formal adoption of the agenda.

### [160787.](#)

#### Utility Advisory Board's Performance Review of General Manager Ed Bielarski (B)

**Attachments:** [160787 UAB Bielarski Review 20170302](#)

**RECOMMENDATION** *Receive a letter from Chair Darin Cook.*

The Board discussed that this item had been on the Commission agenda but the Mayor requested it be removed. The members agreed that since there is so much other work for the Board to do on other issues, it was best to either read this into the record at a Commission meeting or send it to the Commission as an email and move on. They will bring the item to their March 15, 2017 regular meeting for a vote.

### [160807.](#)

#### Draft Memorandum of Understanding with GREC (B)

**Attachments:** [160807 Draft MOU w-GREC Presentation 20170301](#)

[160807 GRU-GREC Draft MOU 20170301](#)

[160807 GRU-GREC MOU Facts 20170301](#)

**RECOMMENDATION** *The City Commission and staff discuss:*

- 1. The draft MOU, inherent risks of a purchase and how GRU weighed the risks*
- 2. Future steps*

GM Ed Bielarski gave a presentation and answered questions from the Board and citizens.

## MEMBER COMMENT

Member Orlando raised concerns about an item on the upcoming March 2, 2017 City Commission meeting agenda. The item, 160811, was put on by the City Attorney's office as a request for the Commission to give guidance on whether the Charter Officers should undertake a factual analysis of HB 759. Ms. Orlando stated that the item should have come before the UAB first. The members agreed to discuss the bill at their next regular meeting.

## NEXT MEETING DATE

*March 15, 2017*

## ADJOURNMENT

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