

# **City of Gainesville**

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



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 18, 2011**

**4:30 PM**

**City Commission Special Meeting (Attorney-Client Session)**

**City Hall Auditorium then Relocating to Room 16**

## **City Commission**

*Mayor Craig Lowe (At Large)*

*Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Thomas Hawkins (At Large)*

*Commissioner Scherwin Henry (District 1)*

*Commissioner Todd Chase (District 2)*

*Commissioner Susan Bottcher (District 3)*

*Commissioner Randy Wells (District 4)*

*Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa (At Large)*

*Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in this meeting are requested to notify the Office of Equal Opportunity at 334-5051 or call the TDD phone line at 334-2069 at least two business days in advance.*

## CALL TO ORDER - 4:37 PM

## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

*A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Bottcher to adopt the agenda, as modified.*

*(VOTE: 5-0, Commissioners Henry and Wells - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)*

*MODIFICATION: GRU Attorney Shayla McNeill was added to the list of persons attending the attorney-client session.*

## ROLL CALL

Present: Craig Lowe, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Thomas Hawkins, Randy Wells, Todd Chase and Susan Bottcher

## CITY ATTORNEY

### 110410. SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING (NB)

*Opening of the meeting: The Mayor opened the attorney-client session meeting at 4:37 PM, in the City Commission meeting room.*

*RECESS: At 4:38 PM the meeting was recessed and the Mayor, City Commissioners and the Attorneys relocated to Room 16 for the attorney-client session.*

*RECONVENE: At 6:59 PM the Mayor re-opened the meeting in the City Commission Meeting room and announced the termination of the session.*

*NOTE: When the City Commission returned to the City Commission meeting room, there were 2 additional Commissioners in attendance (Commissioners Henry and Wells).*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission conduct the meeting as follows:*

- 1. Mayor opens meeting. City Attorney informs the City Commission that the City Attorney desires advice concerning the pending lawsuit styled City of Gainesville vs. School Board of Alachua County, Florida, Case No. 2010-CA-5432.*
- 2. Mayor announces that there will be an attorney-client session to discuss pending litigation, and that the estimated length of the session will extend approximately 2 hours. Mayor announces the names of the person attending the session: Mayor Craig Lowe, Commissioners Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Thomas Hawkins, Todd Chase, Susan Bottcher, Randy Wells; City Manager Russ*

*Blackburn, City's Attorneys: Marion J. Radson and Daniel M. Nee; and Shayla McNeill.*

*3. Mayor closes the open meeting, and relocates the Commission to Room 16 located on the ground floor of City Hall, which room will be closed.*

*4. Commence attorney-client session to discuss settlement negotiations or strategy related to litigation expenditures in the case styled City of Gainesville vs. School Board of Alachua County, Florida, Case No. 2010-CA-5432.*

*5. Mayor ends attorney-client session and allows the persons to return to the City Commission Meeting Room.*

*6. Mayor re-opens the meeting in the City Commission Meeting Room and announces the termination of the session.*

**ADJOURNMENT - 6:59 PM**

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Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission