

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

October 23, 2012

4:30 PM

City Hall, Room 16

Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee

*Mayor Craig Lowe, Chair
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Lauren Poe, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DISCUSSION ITEMS

[120122.](#)

Proposed Constitutional Amendment "Move to Amend" (B)

Explanation: This item was brought forward by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Lauren Poe during Commission Comment on June 21, 2012. The City Commission approved a referral of this issue to the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee for discussion. On September 20, 2012, a representative from a group of Alachua County citizens asked the City Commission to consider placing a non-binding referendum related to this issue on the March 2013 City of Gainesville Ballot.

"Move to Amend" is a citizen group dedicated to amending the U.S. Constitution to overturn the Supreme Court's ruling in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission. They believe that "money is not speech, and that human beings, not corporations, are persons entitled to constitutional rights."

(<<http://movetoamend.org>>)

On October 2, 2012, the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee discussed this referral, received input from several citizens supporting the placement of a non-binding referendum on the March 2013 City of Gainesville Ballot and requested the City Attorney report back to the Committee's next meeting with further discussion of any legal issues related to placing such a referendum on the ballot. The City Attorney has provided a memo regarding legal issues for the Committee to consider at this meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee discuss this issue and take action deemed appropriate.

Legislative History

6/21/12	City Commission	Referred to the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee
10/2/12	Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee	Retained in Committee

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MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT