

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 21, 2005

6:00 PM

Joint City/County Commission Special Meeting

Jack Durrance Auditorium

City Commission

*Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan (At Large)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Chuck Chestnut (District 1)
Commissioner Warren Nielsen (At Large)
Commissioner Rick Bryant (At Large)
Commissioner Ed Braddy (District 2)
Commissioner Jack Donovan (District 3)
Commissioner Craig Lowe (District 4)*

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CALL TO ORDER - 6:09 PM

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Bryant moved and Commissioner Lowe seconded to adopt the agenda.

(VOTE: 5-0, Mayor Pro Tem Chestnut and Commissioner Braddy - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

ROLL CALL

Present: Pegeen Hanrahan, Warren Nielsen, Rick Bryant, Craig Lowe and Jack Donovan

Absent: Chuck Chestnut and Edward Braddy

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Solid Waste Issues (B)

Alachua County Public Works Director Richard Hedrick, Alachua County Manager Randall H. Reid, City of Gainesville Public Works Director Teresa Scott, Waste Management Inc. Representative Janie Coleman gave presentations.

Citizen Walter Willard was recognized.

Cross Creek Initiative, Inc. Director of Strategic Policy Dave Newport and Alachua County Waste Alternatives Manager Sally Palmi gave presentations.

FIRST MOTION: Commissioner Nielsen moved and Commissioner Lowe seconded to direct staff to evaluate The Composted Refuse Derived Biofuel proposal and report back to the City Commission and at a minimum consider: 1) potential costs and savings of a CRDB program; 2) potential volume of waste stream that could be re-directed into a CRDB program; 3) impact on disposal rates and total costs; and 4) the quantity of fuel that could be produced and it's potential uses.

(VOTE: 5-0, Mayor Pro Tem Chestnut and Commissioner Braddy - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

SECOND MOTION (MAIN MOTION): Commissioner Bryant moved and Commissioner Donovan seconded to: 1) Authorize the City and County staffs to collaborate on the development of a mutually beneficial solid waste disposal business plan that includes a means of gaining control of the commercial waste stream; and 2) the plan be submitted to the joint Commissions by March, 2006.

(VOTE: 5-0, MOTION CARRIED)

Mayor Hanrahan recognized Citizen Walter Willard and Kirby Green who spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission hear a presentation from Alachua County regarding Solid Waste Issues.

Approved, as shown above - See Motion(s)

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050559**Temporary Emergency Homeless Assistance (B)**

At the City Commission meetings of October 24, 2005 and November 14, 2005, the City Commission discussed the possibility of funding additional programs and services for the homeless. In addition, the steering committee and subcommittees that resulted from the homeless summit in spring 2005 will be coming forward shortly with recommendations for additional approaches, programs and services to assist the homeless. This joint meeting offers an opportunity for the City and County Commissions to discuss homelessness issues and programs.

City of Gainesville Community Development Director Tom Saunders gave a presentation.

Mayor Hanrahan recognized the following citizens who spoke to the matter:

1. *Pat Fitzpatrick*
2. *Barbara Howell*
3. *Walter Willard*
4. *Kent Vann, Executive Director, St. Francis House*
5. *Father Gordon Tremaine, Holy Trinity Church*
6. *Kenneth Brown*
7. *Robert Pearce*
8. *Rob Brinkman*
9. *Miriam Elliott, St. Francis House*
10. *Bob Casey, M.D.*
11. *Donna Lawson, Interfaith Hospitality Network*
12. *Bill Richards*

MOTION: Commissioner Bryant moved and Commissioner Donovan seconded to ask the City Manager to identify some possible funding sources for up to \$210,000, contingent on some good quality proposals coming in.

(VOTE: 4-0, Commissioners Lowe, Chestnut and Braddy - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

RECOMMENDATION

The City and County Commissions discuss current homeless facilities and services and their funding, and what additional facilities, services, and funding sources may be made available.

Approved, as shown above - See Motion(s)

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ADJOURNMENT - 10:00 PM

Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission