

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

November 27, 2007

3:00 PM

City Commission Workshop

Gainesville Regional Utilities Multi-Purpose Room

City Commission

*Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan (At Large)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Rick Bryant (At Large)
Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa (At Large)
Commissioner Scherwin Henry (District 1)
Commissioner Ed Braddy (District 2)
Commissioner Jack Donovan (District 3)
Commissioner Craig Lowe (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

GENERAL MANAGER FOR UTILITIES

070705. Nuclear Workshop (NB)

A workshop has been scheduled to hear perspectives on nuclear energy from academic, industry, and alternative perspectives.

Explanation: Progress Energy Florida (PEF) has publicly announced their plans to develop new nuclear electrical generating and transmission capacity at a site in Levy County, to potentially come on line between 2015 and 2020. Nuclear generation holds the promise of being very reliable and competitive base load electrical capacity should carbon constrains be imposed on a state or national level, and is a valuable and important option for our customers. On October 8, 2007 the City Commission authorized us to enter into negotiations to secure an option on base load, nuclear generation capacity to be developed by Progress Energy Florida which might become available between 2015 and 2020. The Commission also requested staff to schedule a workshop to address Commissioner and citizen concerns and questions about nuclear generation. Dr. Samim Anghaie from the University of Florida has agreed to make a presentation on the viability of nuclear energy from an academic perspective, and Mr. Adrian Heymer, Senior Director for New Plant Deployment at the Nuclear Energy Institute has agreed to make a presentation from an industry perspective. The chairman of the local Sierra club, Mr. Robert Brinkman has provided a list of candidates to provide an alternative perspective. A firm commitment for participation from this list of individuals with alternative perspectives has yet to be received.

Fiscal Note: There will be no material fiscal impact associated with the scheduled workshop.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission receive presentations from experts in the nuclear energy field as part of its deliberations of the option available to acquire a part

*of the new nuclear units proposed for construction in
Levy County by Progress Energy, Florida.*

ADJOURNMENT - 7:00 PM