

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

January 10, 2019

1:00 PM

Gainesville Police Department Hall of Heroes Conference Room

General Policy Committee

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)

Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)

Commissioner Gail Johnson (At Large)

Commissioner Gigi Simmons (District 1)

Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)

Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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CALL TO ORDER - 1:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Amendment: 1) Update on the Job Corp Center; and 2) Table GFT to January 16, 2019 workshop.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Simmons, that this Matter be Adopted as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Warren

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[180571.](#)

General Policy Committee Minutes (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee approve the minutes of November 8, and December 13, 2018.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Warren

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

[180625.](#)

District 1 After-School Pilot Program (NB)

Commissioner Warren arrived at 1:08 PM.

Commissioner Simmons provided an update.

Valerie Freeman spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission hear a report.*

Heard[180211.](#)**General Fund Transfer Resolution Discussion (B)**

RECOMMENDATION *Hear a presentation from staff.*

Withdrawn[180555.](#)**Wild Spaces Public Places (B)**

Motion by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Arreola: Set aside access funding for Professional Arts Producing Institutions (PAPI) at current ratios. Motion passed 7-0.

Mayor Poe left the meeting at 4:15 PM.

Motion by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Ward: Staff to explore the purchase of the Masonic Lodge and have further discussions about an option for a cultural center and partnerships, and bring back next steps; 2) Work to bring back to the General Policy Committee (February 14, 2019) information on a larger cultural center; and 3) Staff to see if there's a way to purchase with partnerships vs. RFP. Motion passed 6-0. Mayor Poe absent.

Dan Hoffman gave an introduction.

Betsy Waite and Sarit Sela made a presentation.

Karen Fiore spoke to the matter.

Anthony Lyons spoke to the matter.

Michelle Park spoke to the matter.

Nicolle Shalley spoke to the matter.

Sarit Sela and Russell Etting made a presentation.

Melanie Barr, Kurt Moreower, Brian O'Brien, Jeff Goldstein, Mr. Paschae, and Joseph Ford spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee hear a Staff update on Wild Spaces Public Places project and a presentation on the Cultural Center vision.*

Approved, as shown above

Update on the Job Corp

Deborah Bowie provided options to the City Commission: 1) Submit opposing comments to the Department of Labor and to share those comments with the delegation; 2) Suggest an alternate location; 3) Suggest a new way to deliver job training to our local residents; and 4) Offer to join in and work with the Board of the National Guard.

Motion by Commissioner Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Simmons: 1) Submit opposing comments to the Department of Labor and to share those comments with the delegation; 2) Suggest a new way to deliver job training to our local residents; and 3) Include the NCF Career Source Center. Motion passed 6-0. Mayor Poe absent.

180447.

Criminal Justice Reform (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee hear updates and discuss Criminal Justice Reform and related initiatives.*

Withdrawn

180498.

Discussion of Referral List (B)

Commissioner Arreola handed out a working paper/spreadsheet on the GPC referral list.

Motion: Items for 1/24/19 GPC Meeting: 1) Criminal Justice Reform; 2) City/County Updates - specifically, the Alachua County Fairgrounds and Trunked Radio System - in preparation for the 1/31/19 Joint City/County Meeting. Commission wants County draft report regarding the consultants report about the Civic Center. Dan Hoffman mentioned using existing documents instead of trying to create a presentation; 3) Economic Development Model; 4) Discussion of Straws by Request Ordinance; and 5) Discussion of a Grant Available for Cities to Chart a Path to Inclusive Growth Due to Lack of Affordability.

Commissioner Ward left the meeting at 4:45 PM.

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee discuss the referral list and process.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Warren, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

Absent: 2 - Mayor Poe, and Commissioner Ward

MEMBER COMMENT

PUBLIC COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT - 5:06 PM