City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 10, 2011

4:00 PM

GRU Multi Purpose Room

Regional Utilities Committee

Commissioner Susan Bottcher, Chair Mayor Craig Lowe, Member Commissioner Thomas Hawkins, Member

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Adopted as drafted

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

110379. Regional Utilities Meeting Minutes for August 16, 2011 (B)

RECOMMENDATION The Regional Utilities Committee approve the meeting

minutes for August 16, 2011 as circulated.

Approved as Recommended

RUC Item 110379 Mtg Minutes 8-16-11.pdf

CURRENT ACTION ITEMS

110210. Generation Planning Update of Costs and Assumptions from the Purchase Power Agreement

Staff made a presentation regarding the history of the assumptions and the initial (2009) projected rate adjustment for the biomass plant, including an update on the current projections.

Mr. Hunzinger gave a brief background of conditions that lead to the biomass decision. He gave background on the Commission's direction for GRU to implement an aggressive energy efficiency program. He also talked about the benefits of the Purchase Power Agreement with GREC, which include improved generation reliability, increased fuel diversity, price stability, long-term cost savings for customers, and a hedge against future environmental regulation and rising fossil fuel price increases.

Ed Regan presented a pricing update and discussed what had changed in regard to GRU's initial assumptions. Mr. Regan discussed a number of strategies that GRU is considering to achieve the initial and current projections.

Commissioners commented on the presentation and about 25 citizens asked questions or made comments regarding the presentation. The meeting was videotaped.

Commissioners voted to retain the referral in committee to hear updates as necessary.

Retained in Committee

FINAL 2011-OCT 10 RUC Gen Planning Update.pdf Item # 110210- 10-10-11-Citizen Submittal 1.pdf Item #110210-10-10-11-Citizen Submittal 2.pdf Item #110210-10-10-11-Citizen Submittal 3.pdf Item #110210-10-10-11-Citizen Submittal 4.pdf Item #110210-10-10-11-Citizen Submittal 5.pdf Item #110210-10-10-11-Citizen Submittal 6.pdf

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

December 12, 2011 (Tentative)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM