

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Draft

April 7, 2021

5:30 PM

Joint City Commission/Gainesville Community Reinvestment Area
Workshop
Virtual Teleconference Meeting

City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Reina Saco (At Large)
Commissioner Gail Johnson (At Large)
Commissioner Gigi Simmons (District 1)
Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem David Arreola (District 3)
Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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CALL TO ORDER - 5:30 PM

AGENDA STATEMENT

ROLL CALL

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

[200682.](#) **Attendance Affidavit (B)**

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS

[200592.](#) **GCRA Advisory Board 2019-2020 Annual Report (B)**

Sarah Vidal-Finn, GCRA Director introduced.

Tricia Lopez, GCRA Project Manager spoke to the matter.

Member Grundy-Gomes spoke to the matter.

Chair Pollitt spoke to the matter.

Deborah Bowie, Assistant City Manager spoke to the matter.

Lee Feldman, City Manager spoke to the matter.

Member Palmer spoke to the matter.

Member Mitchell spoke to the matter.

Member Bush spoke to the matter.

Member Seawright spoke to the matter.

Member Blount spoke to the matter.

County Chair Cornell spoke to the matter

RECOMMENDATION *GCRA Director to GCRA Advisory Board: Discuss GCRA
Advisory Board's 2020 Annual Report*

Discussed

[200986.](#)

Power District - Next Steps (B)

This item involves City Commission review of proposed next steps regarding bringing the Power District project to market.

Sarah Vidal-Finn introduced.

Erik Bredfeldt, Economic Development & Innovation Director spoke to the matter.

Ken Krasnow, Collier's International gave a presentation.

Rory Causseaux, Collier's International gave a presentation.

Member Nielsen spoke to the matter.

Member Palmer spoke to the matter.

Member Seawright spoke to the matter.

Member Grundy-Gomes spoke to the matter.

Member Blount spoke to the matter.

County Chair Cornell spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission: 1) hear a brief presentation from
Colliers International; 2) direct staff as appropriate.*

Discussed

[200641.](#)

GCRA Proposed FY22-23 Budget (B)

Sarah Vidal-Finn gave a presentation.

Daniel Blumberg, GCRA Project Manager gave a presentation.

Member Ihde spoke to the matter.

Member Grundy-Gomes spoke to the matter.

Lee Feldman spoke to the matter.

Member Palmer spoke to the matter.

Member Bush spoke to the matter.

Linda Dixon, UF spoke to the matter.

County Chair Cornell spoke to the matter.

Mayor Poe left @ 9:21 PM.

RECOMMENDATION

1) GCRA Director to GCRA Advisory Board:
Discuss proposed FY22-23 budgets and provide feedback

2) City Manager to City Commission: *Discuss proposed FY22-23 budgets and provide feedback*

Discussed

[200752.](#)

Birmingham CrossPlex Visit (B)

Member Grundy-Gomes gave a presentation.

Member Palmer spoke to the matter.

Member Mitchell spoke to the matter.

County Chair Cornell spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

GCRA Director to GCRA Advisory Board: *Hear Presentation and Discuss*

Discussed

MEMBER COMMENT

Thank you to Armando Grundy-Gomes for his presentation.

ADJOURNMENT - 10:00 PM