

# **City of Gainesville**

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



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, July 20, 2011**

**5:15 PM**

**City Commission Special Meeting**

**City Hall Auditorium**

## **City Commission**

*Mayor Craig Lowe (At Large)*

*Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Thomas Hawkins (At Large)*

*Commissioner Scherwin Henry (District 1)*

*Commissioner Todd Chase (District 2)*

*Commissioner Susan Bottcher (District 3)*

*Commissioner Randy Wells (District 4)*

*Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa (At Large)*

*Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in this meeting are requested to notify the Office of Equal Opportunity at 334-5051 or call the TDD phone line at 334-2069 at least two business days in advance.*

**CALL TO ORDER - 5:23 PM****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

*Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hawkins moved and Commissioner Henry seconded to adopt the agenda.  
(VOTE: 7-0, MOTION CARRIED)*

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Craig Lowe, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Thomas Hawkins, Randy Wells, Todd Chase and Susan Bottcher

**PUBLIC HEARING****RESOLUTIONS****110137. ESTABLISH A PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 (B)****Resolution No. 110137**

**A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida; relating to the levy of general municipal purpose ad valorem taxes for the 2011-2012 fiscal year; establishing proposed millage rate; setting a public hearing; providing for notice to the Alachua County Property Appraiser; and providing an immediate effective date.**

*Administrative Services Director Becky Rountree gave a presentation.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission adopt the proposed resolution.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Henry, seconded by Commissioner Bottcher, that this matter be Adopted (Resolution). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Votes:** Aye: Craig Lowe, Randy Wells, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Todd Chase, Susan Bottcher and Thomas Hawkins

**110138. PROPOSED TENTATIVE GENERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AND OPERATING PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 (B)****Resolution No. 110138**

**A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida; relating to its General Government Budget for the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year; Approving a proposed tentative General Financial and Operating Plan; and Providing an immediate and effective date.**

*Administrative Services Director Becky Rountree gave a presentation.*

*Mayor Lowe recognized Gabe Kaimowitz who spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission adopt the proposed resolution.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Henry, seconded by Commissioner Wells, that this matter be Adopted (Resolution). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Votes:** Aye: Craig Lowe, Randy Wells, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Susan Bottcher and Thomas Hawkins  
Nay: Todd Chase

**110145.                    PRELIMINARY RATE RESOLUTION FOR FIRE SERVICES SPECIAL ASSESSMENT (B)**

**A resolution of the City of Gainesville, Florida, relating to the provision and funding of fire services, facilities and programs in the City of Gainesville; providing for the imposition and computation of fire services special assessments; providing for legislative determinations of special benefit and fair apportionment; describing the method of assessing fire services assessed costs against assessed property located within the City of Gainesville; establishing the estimated assessment rate for fire assessments for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2011; directing the preparation of an assessment roll; providing for hardship assistance; providing for method of collection; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice thereof; providing for application of assessment proceeds; providing for severability; and providing an immediate effective date.**

*Administrative Services Director Becky Rountree gave a presentation.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission: 1) Establish a Preliminary Rate for the Fire Services Special Assessment; 2) set a date for a public hearing on a Final Rate Resolution for September 12, 2011 at 6:00 PM; and 3) adopt the proposed Preliminary Rate Resolution.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Henry, seconded by Commissioner Bottcher, that this matter be Adopted (Resolution) and Approved the Recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Votes:** Aye: Craig Lowe, Randy Wells, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Susan Bottcher and Thomas Hawkins  
Nay: Todd Chase

**ADJOURNMENT - 6:12 PM**

---

Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission