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City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes

January 31, 2018

1:30 PM

**Joint City/County Commission, School Board of Alachua County
Special Meeting
Alachua County Public Schools District Office - Boardroom
620 E. University Avenue, Gainesville, FL
City Commission**

**Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Harvey Budd (At Large)
Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)
Commissioner Charles Goston (District 1)
Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)
Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)
Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)**

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ROLL CALL - 1:36 PM

- Present** 4 - Commissioner Goston, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd
- Absent** 3 - Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Ward, and Commissioner Arreola

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Modification: Kristen Young requested that Item No. 170766 (Discussion of Upcoming Referendums) be moved to the 2nd item on the City Agenda.

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd, seconded by Commissioner Goston, that this Matter be Adopted with Modifications. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** 4 - Commissioner Goston, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd
- Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Ward, and Commissioner Arreola

AGENDA STATEMENT[170767.](#)**After and Out-of-School Programs (NB)**

Listed below are remarks/suggestions from the City and County.

Mayor Poe expressed a desire that the City/County coordinate after school programs. He stated that the County Commission asked the City Commission to look into ways we could offer support to provide meaningful activity to all children in the community, especially during times that school activities are not provided. The Racial Disparity Report of the Friendship 7 had two findings that were unanimous: 1) We need to pull our resources together to solve some of these problems; and 2) most effective way to reach all children with academic support, character building programs – all best conducted at the school itself. One of the biggest barriers is transportation so providing services where they already are would solve a lot of problems. Whatever the path forward is, it needs to be jointly with an Advisory Committee (with representation from all boards so everyone's interests are taken into consideration). Mayor Poe requested that all parties agree that this is what we need to focus on.

Michelle Park, Assistant Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Director stated that transportation was not studied (in depth) because there were no transportation experts on the board, but it was identified as a challenge that needed more attention.

Commissioner Warren stated that she attended the Youth Summit and also heard the challenge of transportation.

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd stated that a lot of the afternoon programs are in silos and he would like to see coordination, to understand the needs of students and parents (what's done after school). How do we integrate the bus system to be a better system for the community.

Commissioner Goston stated that the main problem on the east side is the distribution

of education that contributes to gang violence and mischief. Some issues can be resolved by those on the east side by spending more time with our children (focusing on educational activities). District 1 schools are the lowest performing in the district and they deserve to receive the same amount of attention as the other schools in the county. He stated that the Emissary Program is a great example of a program that works. We have to involve the community, to the source of the issue, to find out what is really needed.

Commissioner Cornell stated that as a member of the MTPO, he supports using any excess capacity through RTS for transportation to any places that need it, especially those related to this initiative and the delivery of those services.

Mayor Poe will place on a future agenda for discussion an Action Plan.

RECOMMENDATION The City Commission discuss and take action deemed appropriate.

Discussed

170766.

Discussion of Upcoming Referendums (NB)

Mayor Poe stated that there are two resolutions of support on the referenda: 1) present findings on Youth Summit (Joint City/County meeting); and 2) put pieces of recommendations together.

Kristen Young, Mary Helen Wheeler, Dorothy Thomas, Dorothy Benson, Dr. Nancy Hardt, Shanae Baker, Kali Blount, Amy Dean, Alex Rella, Sue Legg, Collin Banco, Tarcha Rentz, Addison Staples and Mary Gonzalez spoke to the matter.

Commissioner Hutchinson recommended that the City submit three names and ask the Florida League of Cities for the other two names for the purposes of fair representation.

RECOMMENDATION The City Commission discuss and take action deemed appropriate.

Discussed

ADJOURNMENT - 3:25 PM

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February 8, 2018

1:30 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

Ironwood Golf Course, 2100 NE 39th Avenue, Gainesville, FL

City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Harvey Budd (At Large)

Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)

Commissioner Charles Goston (District 1)

Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)

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Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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ROLL CALL - 1:33 PM**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Modification: Move Item No. 170788 to the first item on the agenda.

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Goston

AGENDA STATEMENT**DISCUSSION ITEMS**[170788.](#)**Discussion of House Bill 1237 regarding the composition of the Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency Board (NB)**

Motion: 1) City agrees to have substantial negotiations with the County on an Interlocal Agreement that would be finalized by June 30, 2018 to include at least the following: Reduction of the College Park Tax Increment Financing (TIF) to equal the City beginning October 1, 2018, and establish objective criteria agreed to by a majority of both Boards that could result in the celebration of success, and if achieved, the ultimate sun setting of any current CRAs; and 2) Agreement is contingent on the County respectfully requesting that Representative Clemons withdraw House Bill 1237 in the 2018 session.

Chair Pinkoson spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission discuss the issue.*

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

Aye: 5 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Arreola

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Goston

[170740.](#)**Budget Planning Workshop (B)**

Commissioner Goston arrived at 1:58 PM.

Chris Quinn and Dan Hoffman gave introductions.

Diane Wilson and Michelle Smith-Lambert made presentations.

Claudia Rasnick spoke to the matter.

Motion by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commission Warren: Schedule a workshop to discuss prioritizing current/proposed initiatives, as well as General Policy list of projects. Motion passed 7-0.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission hear presentations from staff and take action as appropriate.

Approved, as shown above

ADJOURNMENT 4:40 PM

City of Gainesville

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Minutes

February 12, 2018

3:00 PM

Joint City/County Commission Special Meeting

Jack Durrance Auditorium, 12 SE First Street, Gainesville, FL

City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Harvey Budd (At Large)

Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)

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ROLL CALL - 3:03 PM

- Present** 6 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd
- Absent** 1 - Commissioner Goston

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

- Aye:** 6 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Goston

AGENDA STATEMENT**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

170788.

Discussion of House Bill 1237 regarding the composition of the Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency Board (B)

Commissioner Budd left the meeting at 5:08 PM.

Motion: A) Direct City staff to negotiate an Interlocal Agreement with the County that equalizes the College Park TIF's effective October 1, 2018; B) The County agrees to not seek any change in the CRA governance for one year and to request Representative Clemons to withdraw House Bill 1237 from this current session; C) Invite the County to join the City in requesting our legislative delegation to propose a potential local bill for the County to have up to equal representation on the CRA Governing Board at its discretion; and D) nothing presumes that other CRA related issues should be excluded from an Interlocal Agreement.

Jim Konish, Armondo Grundy, Robert Pearce, Wilbur Holloway, Meg Flowozen, Phil Heflin and Randy Wells spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission discuss the issue.*

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

- Aye:** 5 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd
- Nay:** 1 - Commissioner Hayes-Santos
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Goston

ADJOURNMENT - 7:10 PM

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February 14, 2018

1:30 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

Gainesville Regional Utilities Multi-Purpose Room

City Commission

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ROLL CALL - 1:40 PM

Present 7 - Commissioner Goston, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**AGENDA STATEMENT****DISCUSSION ITEM****170478. Team Building Retreat 2 (NB)**

Mayor Poe gave a brief introduction.

Presenters: Jamie Gresley and Mickey Howard.

Commissioner Goston arrived at 1:42 PM.

Commissioner Arreola arrived at 1:58 PM.

Group 1 Discussion on Affordable Housing: Wendy Thomas, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Arreola, Mayor Poe, Carrie Bush and Bob Woods.

Group 2 Discussion on Inequities in African American Education: Omichele Gainey, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Goston, Anthony Lyons, Bob Woods and Steve Phillips.

Break - 3:40 PM

Commissioner Goston left at 3:40 PM.

Reconvene - 3:58 PM

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission to participate in a workshop.*

Discussed

ADJOURNMENT - 4:55 PM