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It is moved:

1. The governing board of Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) shall be comprised of nine members. The membership of the board shall include:

From the Gainesville City Commission the Mayor, Mayor pro-tempore, two commissioners elected At-large and the most senior district commissioner (or second most senior district commissioner if most senior is serving as mayor pro-tem). The remaining two city commissioners may serve as non-voting ex-officio members of the board.

Three members appointed by a majority vote of the city commission from unincorporated Alachua County residing¹ with the GRU service territory and one member appointed at large from GRU's service territory.

2. Terms of appointed members will be the same as those of Gainesville City Commissioners, with the terms of the four members staggered. Members will be limited to two consecutive terms, consistent with the term limits of city commissioners. Terms of the first four appointees will be a staggered years to allow for the appointments to conform to the previous term definition.

3. The governing board will have all decision-making authority over the affairs of GRU except those in the Gainesville City Charter specifically granted to the city commission (such as role of the General Manager) and authorities constituting ownership of GRU (such as rate-setting, debt issuance, general fund transfer or surcharges). The board may make recommendations to the city commission on matters related to ownership issues.

4. GRU will develop and administer a comprehensive training program for all members of the board, as well as provide ongoing professional development opportunities for all members of the board.

5. The board will meet monthly, with additional meetings scheduled as needed. The board will be staffed by the Gainesville City Clerk's office with funding provided by GRU.

6. The Gainesville City Commission Regional Utilities Committee (RUC) shall be dissolved.

¹ Residing will be defined as a person living in a residence consistent with the address on their GRU bill, driver's license, voter registration and one other form of identification.