

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

March 29, 2012

3:00 PM

Joint City/County Commission Special Meeting

Jack Durrance 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)

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

AGENDA STATEMENT

Citizens are encouraged to participate in City of Gainesville meetings. In general, speakers will be limited to 3 (three) minutes per agenda item. Additional time may be granted by the Mayor or by the City Commission as directed. The City of Gainesville encourages civility in public discourse and requests that speakers limit their comments to specific motions and direct their comments to the Chair. Signs or Props are not permitted in the meeting room. Citizens are encouraged to provide comments in writing to the Clerk of the Commission before meetings and/or during meetings for inclusion into the public record. Citizens may also provide input to individual commissioners via office visits, phone calls, letters and e-Mail, that will become public record. In some instances, i.e., Quasi-Judicial Hearings, these particular contacts may be prohibited.

ROLL CALL

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Charter County and Regional Transportation System Surtax (B)

Section 212.055, Florida Statutes allows charter counties to impose a discretionary sales surtax of up to 1 percent. On September 20, 2011, the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners authorized County staff to proceed with development of a 2012 ballot initiative for a 1-cent Charter County Transportation System Surtax for a period of at least ten years and to begin discussions with City of Gainesville and other small cities and to begin the community involvement process.

Explanation: The City Commission accepted the Common Approach Listing of transportation projects as developed by Mayor Lowe and County Commission Chair DeLaney with assistance from city and county staff at the March 26, 2012 Special City Commission meeting. The Common Approach Listing identifies major, regional priority projects as well as additional transportation projects taken from city and county needs lists. This Common Approach Listing is being offered through the City and County Commissions for voters' consideration in Fall 2012. The City Commission also agreed to recommend that the County Commission establish a 15 year term for the surtax.

Alachua County has prepared a Draft Interlocal Agreement that provides distribution percentages; term; as well as project list.

Fiscal Note: The Common Approach Listing identifies the City projects that could potentially be funded based on revenues of \$30 million/year (\$129,690,000) for the first 10 years and up to \$40 million/year (\$86,460,000) in years 11 - 15.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission: 1) hear presentations on the jointly negotiated Common Approach Listing including presentations on County and City transportation needs, 2) recommend that the Alachua County

Commission accept the Common Approach Listing for voters' consideration in Fall 2012; 3) recommend that the Alachua County Commission establish a 15 year term for the Charter County Transportation System Surtax; and 4) direct the City Manager to complete negotiations on a Draft Interlocal Agreement.

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