

# City of Gainesville

City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601



## Minutes

October 12, 2017

1:00 PM

Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room, City Hall, 200 East  
University Avenue, Gainesville, FL  
**General Policy Committee**

*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 - 1:05 PM**

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

**Absent** 1 - Commissioner Goston

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Goston

**AGENDA STATEMENT**170434.**General Policy Committee Minutes (B)**RECOMMENDATION

*The General Policy Committee approve the minutes of September 28, 2017.*

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Goston

170383.**Gainesville's Urban Forest Ecological Assessment and Next Steps Presentation and Discussion (B)**

**This is a request for the General Policy Committee to hear a presentation regarding Gainesville's Urban Forest Ecological Analysis and approve staff to progress to next steps, Urban Forest Management Plan.**

*Steve Phillips, Linda Demetropoulos and Dr. Michael Andrew made presentations.*

*Motion: 1) Staff to report back to the GPC with a Forestry Management Plan which includes incentives for removing exotics; identifying laurels/waters in close proximity to utility lines to remove/replace and switch species when appropriate in relation to private property and utilities ("invasive exotic eradication").*

*Joe Wolf, Donald Shepherd, Meg Neiderhofer and Nita Alford spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee: 1) hear the presentation regarding the Urban Forest Ecological Analysis; and 2) direct staff to work on contracting for the Urban Forest Management Plan to bring forward to the City Commission for approval.*

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Goston

140699.      **Transportation Safety / Complete Streets (B)**

**This item is a request for the General Policy Committee to discuss transportation issues and transportation system safety.**

*Daniel Hoffman, Deborah Leistner, Phil Mann and Jesus Gomez made presentations.*

*Motion: 1) Approve target areas; 2) Direct staff to: Establish the task force; Develop a strategic plan/framework for Gainesville Vision Zero; Draft a Gainesville Vision Zero Policy; 3) Identify a recurring funding source to advance implementation; and 4) Add automated enforcement and distracted driving regulations to the City's State legislative agenda.*

*Robert Mounts, Charlie Lane, Donald Shepherd, and Wendy Thomas (made public comment as a citizen) spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee 1) hear a presentation; and 2) consider options for moving forward.*

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Goston

170385.      **City/UF Partnerships (B)**

*Carrie Bush and Dr. Charlie Lane made presentations.*

*Mayor Poe would like to consider looking at the Governance Model and assessing if that is the right configuration; and have the Mayor or his/her designee and the Chair of the Board of Trustees or his/her designee, to take ideas back to the bodies that will ultimately vote for them and be an advocate.*

*Commissioner Arreola likes the concept of having multiple bodies broaden the*

*process and to have citizen participation.*

*Mayor-Commissioner Pro-Tem Budd suggested on writing a grant as a funding source.*

*Commissioner Ward stated that the Advisory Council and constant communication through the GPC and successors will make a difference.*

*Commissioner Hayes-Santos stated he wanted to push the boundaries (selling it back to the community).*

*Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee receive a update.*

**Heard**

**170199.**

**Living Wage as Applied to Contracted Service Providers (B)**

**This is a request for the General Policy Committee to discuss Living Wage options.**

*Scott Heffner and James Drymon made presentations.*

*Motion: Staff to bring back a fiscal impact at various rates/levels (as well as Information for budget 2019).*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee discuss the City's Living Wage, take any action deemed appropriate, and remove the item from the referral list if applicable.*

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Goston

**170261.**

**Smart City Policies (B)**

*Dan Hoffman made a presentation.*

*Motion: Refer data privacy ownership issues to the Broadband Subcommittee.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee receive an update.*

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Goston

170455.      **General Policy Committee Referral List (B)**

**This is a request for the General Policy Committee to review anticipated dates for pending items to be placed on an upcoming General Policy Committee Agenda.**

*Move Item No. 170239 (Reichert House Update) to November 9, 2017.*

*City Commission will give their own version of a presentation on Item No. 170386 (Zero Waste) and Item No. 170320 (Discussion and Creation of a Green Ribbon Panel). Staff will attend to learn what are the requirements.*

*Move Item No. 170413 (Emergency Management) to December 14, 2017.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The General Policy Committee review the list of anticipated dates for pending referrals to be placed on upcoming General Policy Committee Agendas.*

**ADJOURNMENT - 5:09 PM**

# 170 548

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1:00 PM

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**ROLL CALL - 1:05 PM**

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

**Absent** 1 - Commissioner Arreola

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

*Modification: Move Item No. 170487 to the first item on the agenda.*

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

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

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Arreola

**AGENDA STATEMENT**

170487.            **Zero Waste (B)**

*Motion: 1) staff to draft a resolution for Gainesville to become a Zero Waste City; 2) staff to look at the proposed strategic solutions and prioritizations, and to look at other things they may think are reducing zero waste; 3) staff to work on drafting an ordinance for prohibiting polystyrene and plastic bags and using Coral Gables as an example; 4) path of passing a plan for becoming a Zero Waste City; and 5) Clerk's office schedule a workshop whenever staff is ready to bring back some of the decision points.*

*Listed below are discussions from the Mayor and Commissioners.*

*Commissioner Hayes-Santos made a presentation on Zero Waste.*

*Commissioner Budd: 1) wants Alachua County to partnership with the City; and 2) problems with the recycling trail.*

*Commissioner Warren: 1) how our land is being used.*

*David spoke about the ban of polystyrene (status of lawsuit).*

*Mayor Poe: 1) compost - cost analysis of multiple routes.*

*Marc Lefton, Herb Kieklak, Savannah Elliott, Young Leflburg, Susan Davenport, Amanda Wardale, Camille Jackson, Sally Palmi, Monique Atkinson, Nancy Daren, June Littler and Maria Steinwachs spoke to the matter.*

*Commissioner Goston arrived at 1:28 PM.*

**RECOMMENDATION**            *The General Policy Committee discuss thoughts and ideas*

*around Zero Waste.*

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

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Arreola

### 170314

#### **Gainesville Electric System Undergrounding (B)**

*Jim Mathews made a presentation.*

*Motion: Have GRU staff prepare a memo to the City Commission on the advantages/disadvantages of underground utilities.*

*Listed below are the discussions from the following Commissioners.*

*Commissioner Warren: 1) cost of repairs needed; and 2) overhead wires.*

*Commissioner Goston: 1) concrete poles (look at high cost of waste).*

*Commissioner Budd: 1) dealing with underground water table.*

*Commissioner Hayes-Santos 1) not to have presentations one-sided, bring both sides to the table (advantages/disadvantages).*

*Nancy Daren spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION** *Hear a presentation from Staff regarding electric distribution system underground construction, with a focus on undergrounding practices, construction costs and cost allocations.*

**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, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd, Commissioner Warren, and Commissioner Ward

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Arreola

### 170486

#### **Discussion and Creation of a Green Ribbon Panel (B)**

*Commissioner Ward made a presentation on the discussion and creation of a Green Ribbon Panel.*

*Motion: City Commission to think about questions for the Green Ribbon Panel and report back on December 7, 2017.*

*Listed below are the discussions from the Commissioners.*

*Commissioner Warren: Are other communities doing things that we can pull into the*



*discussion (so as not to reinvent the wheel).*

*Commissioner Hayes-Santos: 1) does it need to be a full year for recommendations; and 2) should it be a City/County Board.*

*Sally Palmi, Matt Williams and Nancy Daren spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee discuss thoughts and ideas around the Creation of the Green Ribbon Panel.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Arreola

**170481.**

**General Policy Committee Referral List (B)**

**This is a request for the General Policy Committee to review anticipated dates for pending items to be placed on an upcoming General Policy Committee Agenda.**

*The following items will be on the next GPC agenda: 1) 170197 - Welcoming City Policies; 2) 160200 - Prohibit the use of Conversion Therapy (from Homosexuality) in the City of Gainesville; and 3) 170453 - Tom Petty Remembrance (how to engage the public in the process).*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee review the list of anticipated dates for pending referrals to be placed on upcoming General Policy Committee Agendas.*

**ADJOURNMENT - 3:51 PM**