

# City of Gainesville

City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601



## **Minutes - Final**

December 11, 2017

1:00 PM

**Joint City/County Commission Special Meeting**

**Jack Durrance Auditorium, 12 SE 1st Street, 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 - 1:02 PM**

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

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

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

- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd
- Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Goston, and Mayor Poe

**AGENDA STATEMENT**

[160652.](#)

**Homeless Services (B)**

**This item is a request to discuss the future services for homeless in Gainesville-Alachua County and to the report the action of the Gainesville City Commission from the November 30, 2017 Special Meeting.**

*Fred Murry, Claudia Tuck, Joe Jackson and Jon Decarmine made presentations.*

*Commissioner Goston arrived at 2:00 PM.*

*Motion by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Ward: Support the provision of a 9-month contract with the support of \$225,000 from the City and match with the County to keep a stable service in place and discuss and search for an RFP.*

*Motion by Commissioner Byerly, seconded by Commissioner Cornell: 1) County is to provide 1/3 (\$75,000) from the County side to pay for the enhanced level-of-service described in the City's motion for the 2nd quarter of 2018; 2) The City/County meet again in late February or early March to discuss alternative proposals that the City has developed, including a model in which the City takes over operation of the facility; and 3) Develop criteria procedures to place priority for services on residents of Alachua and provide those details at the next joint meeting.*

*Commissioner Goston left at 3:56 PM.*

*Motion by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Ward: Amend the previous motion to request a 6-month extension with an additional \$125,000 from the City and County for the enhanced service. Motion passed 5-0. Mayor Poe and Commissioner Goston absent.*

*Motion by Commissioner Byerly, seconded by Commissioner Cornell: Revise the previous motion: 1) County is to provide 1/3 (\$75,000) from the County side to pay for*

the enhanced level-of-service described in the City's motion for the 2nd quarter of 2018; 2) The City/County meet again in late February or early March to discuss alternative proposals that the City has developed, including a model in which the City takes over operation of the facility; and 3) the Coalition provide a plan or scenario under which the services that they offer could be metered out on the basis of residency, including the criteria that Mr. Murry will ask the other options also addresses that.

Motion by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Warren: Extend the contract to March 31, 2018 with an increase to the monthly rate of \$25,000 a month. Motion passed 5-0. Mayor Poe and Commissioner Goston absent.

Motion by Commissioner Hutchinson, seconded by Commissioner Cornell: Extend the contract to March 31, 2018 with an increase to the monthly rate of \$25,000 a month. Motion passed 3-2. Chair Pinkoson and Commissioner Chestnut voting no.

Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward: Schedule a joint meeting in February, 2018 with the County on Homeless Services. Motion passed 5-0. Mayor Poe and Commissioner Goston absent.

Jim Konish, Mark Venzke, Art Stockwell, Anthony Johnson, Bob Freeman, Joe Courter, Bruce Frendahl, Scott Hesch, Peter Denhoffer and Mark Sexton spoke to the matter.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The City Commission recommends the Alachua County Board of County Commission: 1) hear a brief presentation from City and County staff on Homelessness and allow both the City and County Commission to discuss homeless services; 2) consider an approval of \$100,000 from their budget to extend the contract with ACCHH for nine months in the amount of \$855,000; 3) authorize City and County staff to work on a back-up plan if negotiations with ACCHH are not successful; 4) authorize the City Purchasing Department to close the RFP process for the Low Barrier Emergency Services Shelter for Homeless Persons; and 5) authorize the City Manager to enter into any contracts required to continue homeless services at the Empowerment Center, if an extension of the contract with ACCHH cannot be negotiated; subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Approved, as shown above

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**Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency (NB)**

Trisha Riley spoke to the matter.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The City Commission discuss the Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency.

Discussed

**ADJOURNMENT - 6:29 PM**

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**Sharon D. Williams**  
**Interim Clerk of the Commission**