

City of Gainesville

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



Minutes

February 8, 2018

5:30 PM

MODIFIED AGENDA

City Hall Auditorium

Utility Advisory Board

*Annie Orlando
Darin Cook
Mary Alford
Sandra Campbell
Michael Selvester
David Denslow*

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Cook, Members Denslow, Selvester, Orlando, Campbell, Alford.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT ITEMS

[170783.](#) **Minutes for the August 22, 2017 Special UAB Meeting and January 11, 2018 Regular UAB Meeting (B)**

Attachments: [170783 UAB 8.22.17 Special Mtg Minutes 20180208](#)
 [170783 UAB 1.11.18 Meeting Minutes 20180208](#)

The minutes of the August 22, 2017 and the January 11, 2018 meetings were approved as drafted.

RECOMMENDATION *Approve the minutes of the August 22, 2017 and January 11, 2018 meetings as drafted.*

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted unanimously with the following modification:

Hear Item #170793 before Old Business.

CITIZEN COMMENT - For Items not on the agenda, limited to three minutes per citizen

Citizen Jim Konish spoke.

STATE OF THE UTILITY

[170811.](#) **GRU Operational Update for January 2018 (B)**

Attachments: [170811 Ops Update Jan 2018 - All Depts. 20180208](#)

COO Tom Brown gave the operational update for the month of December 2017. CFO Claudia Rasnick discussed the draft budget calendar.

RECOMMENDATION *Receive a report.*

OLD BUSINESS

[170719.](#) **Alternative Options to Synthetically Fix the 2017 Series C Utility System**

Revenue Bonds (B)

Attachments: [170719 2017C Synthetic Alternatives Presentaiton 20170111](#)
[170719 Swap vs Collar Presentation 2010208](#)

RECOMMENDATION *The Utility Advisory Board receive a presentation regarding updated rate and costs for alternatives to synthetically fix 2017 the Series C variable rate bonds.*

The presentation was heard. The Board requested that staff direct Willdan to include some additional factors in the scope of service and bring back the additional information.

NEW BUSINESS

[170793.](#) **External Cost of Service and Utility Rates Study by Willdan Financial Services (B)**

Attachments: [170793 GRU COS Presentation UAB 20180208](#)
[170793 GRU Electric COS Model 20180208](#)
[170793 GRU Gas COS Rate Model 20180208](#)
[170793 GRU Review Model W-WW 20180208](#)
[170793 GRU SDC Model-20180208](#)
[170793 COS Presentation for CCom 20180208](#)

RECOMMENDATION *The Utility Advisory Board receive a presentation from Willdan Financial Services on their Cost of Service Study.*

Heard.

[170794.](#) **Extension of Standby Bond Purchase Agreement for Variable Rate Utilities System Revenue Bonds, 2007 Series A (B)**

Attachments: [170794 - 2007A Resolution 20180208](#)
[170794 Certificate making Certain Determinations 20180208](#)
[170794 PFM letter 2007A 20180208](#)
[170794 Third Amendment 2007 Resolution 20180208](#)

RECOMMENDATION *The City in Resolution No. 061002 adopted on February 26, 2007 delegated to the General Manager for Utilities the authority, upon satisfying certain conditions, to extend the term of the State Street SBPA securing the Bonds. Although those conditions could be satisfied, it is requested that the Utility Advisory Board recommend that the City Commission*

1) approve the extension of the liquidity facility for the Bonds with State Street for an additional three (3) years at a cost of 46 basis points, and in connection therewith to enter into such amendments to the SBPA and the applicable fee letter as

necessary or desirable and in the best interests of the City as determined by the General Manager, Chief Financial Officer, and/ or Mayor and not inconsistent with the terms hereof, and

2) authorize the Clerk of the Commission, General Manager, Chief Financial Officer, and/ or Mayor to enter in such other agreements and documents as may be necessary to complete the transaction, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Member Denslow made a motion to recommend the City Commission approve the staff recommendation. Member Orlando seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

[170707.](#)

Gainesville Regional Utilities Unaudited Internally Prepared Financial Statements for the Year Ended September 30, 2017 (B)

Attachments: [170707 GRU Interim Financials Unaudited YE 2017 Sept 20180208](#)

RECOMMENDATION *Hear a report from staff.*

The board agreed, without taking an official vote, that they would skip presentation of this item and that individual members could contact staff later if they had any questions.

[170708.](#)

Gainesville Regional Utilities Internally Prepared Actuals to Budget for the Year Ended September 30, 2017 (B)

Attachments: [170708 GRU Budget to Actuals YE 2017 Sept 20180208](#)

RECOMMENDATION *Hear a report from staff.*

The board agreed, without taking an official vote, that they would skip presentation of this item and that individual members could contact staff later if they had any questions.

[170709.](#)

Gainesville Regional Utilities Internally Prepared Supplementary Data for the Year Ended September 30, 2017 (B)

Attachments: [170709 GRU Supplementary Data YE 2017 Sept 20180208](#)

RECOMMENDATION *Hear a report from staff.*

The board agreed, without taking an official vote, that they would skip presentation of this item and that individual members could contact staff later if they had any questions.

[170797.](#)

UAB Membership Applications (B)

Attachments: [170797 UAB Membership Applications 20180208](#)

RECOMMENDATION *Discuss UAB membership applications received by the Clerk's office and take any action deemed appropriate.*

Member Orlando made a motion to hear this item after Item #170793. Member

Selvester seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Member Selvester made a motion, seconded by Member Campbell, to recommend that the Commission reappoint Annie Orlando for a second term on the board. Member Orlando abstained from voting and the motion passed unanimously among the remaining members.

Each member then announced their top three choices.

Michael Selvester - Jason Gonos, Jim Gross, Wendell Porter
Mary Alford - Wendell Porter, Jim Gross, Barry Jacobson
Annie Orlando - Wes Wheeler, Jason Gonos, Jim Gross
Sandy Campbell - Wes Wheeler, Jason Gonos, Jim Gross
David Denslow - Wes Wheeler, Jason Gonos, Barry Jacobson
Darin Cook - Wes Wheeler, Jason Gonos, no third choice.

Member Denslow made a motion to rank the choices, with number one being Annie Orlando, number two Wes Wheeler, number three Jason Gonos and number four (as an alternate) Jim Gross. Member Campbell seconded. Member Orlando abstained from voting and the motion passed 4-1 among the remaining members, with Member Alford in dissent.

Member Campbell left the meeting at the conclusion of this item.

[170798.](#)

Update on UAB's January 23, 2018 Workshop (B)

Attachments: [170798 Draft Minutes 1.23.18 Workshop 20180208](#)

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss

MEMBER COMMENT

Member Alford asked if high water usage due to people leaving faucets running on freezing nights would affect the calculation of winter max. Staff will bring that information back to the board.

Member Selvester gave an update on the work of the governance subcommittee.

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

March 8, 2018

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 p.m.