City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Draft

January 10, 2022 2:30 PM

Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room

Digital Access Committee

Commissioner Harvey Ward (Member) Commissioner David Arreola (Vice-Chair) Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (Chair)

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CALL TO ORDER - 2:51 PM

ROLL CALL

Present 2 - Ward, and Member Hayes-Santos

Absent 1 - Vice-Chair Arreola

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

210439. Approval of Minutes from the September 13, 2021 Digital Access

Committee Meeting (B)

RECOMMENDATION The Digital Access Committee approve the September 13,

2021 minutes.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

210267. Discussion on Broadband Initiative (B)

Interim City Manager Cynthia Curry introduced the item.

Courtney Violette and David Brevitz, Magellan Advisors, gave a presentation.

Dan Nee, Interim City Attorney, spoke to the matter.

GRU General Manager Ed Bielarski spoke to the matter.

The committee requested that the GRU General Manager and Interim City Manager discuss plans for GRUCom moving forward to inform the committee; bring back a cost estimate of service for sections east of 13th Street; to receive additional case studies on Ocala and other cities generating revenue on broadband services from Magellan Advisors; and to schedule a discussion on the item by the City Commission at the January 27 GPC meeting.

RECOMMENDATION It is recommended that the General Policy Committee hear a

presentation from Magellan Advisors about the Broadband Business Model Options and provide feedback to staff and

the consultant.

Discussed

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bryan Eastman

MEMBER COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT 4:38 PM