

# City of Gainesville

City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601



## **Minutes - Final**

**December 6, 2021**

**10:00 AM**

**City Commission Special Meeting**

**City Hall Auditorium**

## **City Commission**

*Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)*  
*Commissioner Reina Saco (At Large, Seat A)*  
*Commissioner Desmon Duncan-Walker (District 1)*  
*Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)*  
*Mayor Commissioner Pro-Tem David Arreola (District 3)*  
*Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)*

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**CALL TO ORDER -10:01 AM****AGENDA STATEMENT****ROLL CALL**

**Present** 6 - Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Duncan-Walker, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Duncan-Walker, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS****201087. American Rescue Plan Act (B)**

*Motion by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola. Approve with staff recommendations with two changes: 1) Pg. 11 with changes. "Respondents" submittals should include: A. Strike City of Gainesville, add Alachua Count. B. Under "Respondent's minimum qualifications" - strike Board members are required to be residents of Alachua County. 2) Draft criteria comes back on January 6, 2022 for vetting/distributing funds.*

*Zeriah Folston, Interim Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Cynthia Curry, Interim City Manager, Dan Nee, Interim City Attorney and Deborah Bowie, Assistant City Manager spoke to the item.*

*Public Comment: Mike Perkins, Beverly Craig, Veronica Robleto, Nathan Skop and Jon DeCarmine.*

*There was a request for the City Manager to breakdown the applications in general categories at the January 6, 2022 meeting.*

*Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Saco:*

**Direct staff to:**

*· Transfer ARPA process to the City Manager.*

- *Authorize City Manager to hire a consultant to help with ARPA process.*
- *City Manager to come back to GPC with a violence prevention plan with additional money needed.*
- *Add an ARP update to GPC Administrative Meeting each quarter including discussion of the second round of funds (including updates on already allocated funds).*
- *Approve revenue replacement, \$1,158,804. Motion approved 6-0.*
- *Approve Eastside/UF Health Clinic \$2.25 million. Motion approved 5-1. Commissioner Duncan-Walker in dissent.*
- *Approve Homeless Outreach \$400,000. Motion approved 6-0.*
- *Approve PPE \$300,000. Motion approved 6-0.*
- *Have staff come back with plan for remaining dollars at a (GPC) meeting in late January/early February with plans for:*
  - o *RTS transit funding (separate ARP funds received).*
  - o *Community Paramedicine Plan funding \$1 million.*
  - o *ARP Home Dollars plan (separate ARP funds received).*
  - o *Digital Access/Broadband \$9.6 million.*
  - o *Vision Zero Capital \$1.25 million.*
  - o *Eastside Mobility Hub \$2 million.*
  - o *Community Land Trust \$1 million.*
  - o *Violence Intervention (Youth Core/Arts Intervention) \$1 million.*
  - o *UF/Sparc 352 - unfunded - bring back proposal.*
  - o *Language Access/Inclusion - bring back proposal 6,0 (balance of motion).*

*Andrea Agha spoke to RFI for Eastside Health Center.*

*Public Comment: Nathan Skop, Donald Shepherd, Fred Washington, Armando Grundy-Gomes, Veronica Robleto and Bryan Eastman.*

*Note: City Manager identified that the cost of the consultant and administrative costs for administering the non-profit distribution have not been included in these figures.*

*Deborah Bowie, Assistant City Manager spoke regarding language access.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*Provide direction to staff by identifying spending limits on each ARPA Expenditure Category, non-profit RFQ, ARPA General consultant, and rank projects by priority.*

**Approved, as shown above**

**ADJOURNMENT - 12:37 PM**