

# **City of Gainesville**

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



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, July 6, 2006**

**5:00 PM**

**City Hall Room 16**

## **Regional Utilities Committee**

*Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Craig Lowe, Chair  
Commissioner Ed Braddy, Member  
Commissioner Jack Donovan, Member/Alternate*

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**CALL TO ORDER****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****060202 Regional Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes for June 8 , 2006 (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Regional Utilities Committee approve the minutes for June 8, 2006 as circulated.*

**This matter was Approved as Recommended. The motion carried.**

**Roll Call:** Present: Craig Lowe and Jack Donovan

Absent: Edward Braddy

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**COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS****050791. Undergrounding Utilities in the Fifth Avenue Pleasant Street CRA Area (NB)**

*The Regional Utilities Committee heard a report from staff on the utility's streetscape partnership with the CRA and a discussion of the model block area including a progress report on NW 5th Avenue projects and a report on the model block utilities issues from GRU and CRA staff. The RUC heard that significant progress has been made on the initial phases of the NW 5th Avenue undergrounding and that the model block utilities issues have been appropriately resolved.*

*RUC RECOMMENDATION:*

*Commissioner Lowe made the motion to direct staff to prepare an agenda item to the full Commission requesting that this matter be removed from the referral list. Commissioner Donovan seconded the motion.*

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Regional Utilities Committee hear a presentation on the streetscape partnership with the CRA to underground facilities along N.W. 5th Avenue from GRU staff and the CRA manager. The presentation will include a review of the six phase plan to place utilities underground in conjunction with the planned streetscape and a discussion of the model block area.*

**This matter was Approved as shown above (See Motion). The motion carried.**

**031086.****Utility Policies for Residential Grid-connected Solar Electric Systems (B)**

*The Regional Utilities Committee received a presentation from staff on the policies of Austin Energy, Sacramento Municipal Utility District and other Florida utilities to promote residential grid-connected solar electric systems.*

**RUC RECOMMENDATION:**

*The RUC directed staff to prepare an agenda item to the City Commission recommending the elimination of the \$200 application fee and remove the item from the referral list.*

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Regional Utilities Committee receive a presentation on the policies of Austin Energy, Sacramento Municipal Utility District and other Florida utilities to promote residential grid-connected solar electric systems.*

**This matter was Recommended for Approval, as shown above. The motion carried.**

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**MEMBER COMMENT****CITIZEN COMMENT****NEW BUSINESS**

**OUTSTANDING REFERRALS****050850****Wastewater Service to the City of Archer (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Regional Utilities Committee receive a presentation from City of Archer representatives proposing to modify the conditions related to the extension of wastewater service to the City of Archer, approved by the Gainesville City Commission on February 27, 2006.*

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**050457****Streetlights and Electric Rates****050905****Assimilation and Evaluation of DSM Options****050746****General Policy for Sewer Connections (NB)**

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Regional Utilities Committee receive a presentation from staff reviewing extension policy details of the JEA and Winter Park Utility programs.*

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**051193****Establishment of a Financing Program for Renewable Energy Systems****051194****GRU Wholesale Sales of Electricity****060168****Review of Current Standards for Construction, Retrofit and Maintenance of City Buildings - Referral Item #060168 (NB)**

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Regional Utilities Committee receive a presentation on a*

*proposed cross-departmental self directed work team.*

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

**ADJOURNMENT**