

# City of Gainesville

City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601



## **Minutes - Final**

November 8, 2018

1:00 PM

Roberta Lisle Kline Room

## **General Policy Committee**

*Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)*

*Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)*

*Commissioner Gail Johnson (At Large)*

*Commissioner Gigi Simmons (District 1)*

*Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)*

*Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)*

*Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)*

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**CALL TO ORDER - 1:02 PM**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** 7 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Johnson

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

[180496.](#) **General Policy Committee Minutes (B)**

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee approve the minutes of October 25, 2018.*

**A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Warren, that this Matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Johnson

**DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS**

*Motion by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Warren: 1) Cancel the City Commission meeting of December 20, 2018; and 2) Cancel the GPC meeting of December 27, 2018. Motion passed 7-0.*

[180498.](#) **Discussion of Referral List (B)**

*Omichele Gainey and Anthony Lyons spoke to the matter.*

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee discuss the referral list and process.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Warren, that this Matter be Continued to December 13, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

[180447.](#)

### **Criminal Justice Reform (B)**

*Anthony Lyons gave an introduction.*

*Jonathan Leslie made a presentation.*

*Deborah Bowie spoke to the matter.*

*Motion: 1) Bring update back to the City Commission in Spring; 2) Continue this item to January 10, 2019; 3) Bring back National League of Studies Pilot Project on diversion to reduce arrests presentation for discussion; and 4) Direct staff to bring back a transition plan to end prison labor by the end of the fiscal year.*

*Kaithleen, Alana Whatley, Kevin, Tom Wells, Kimber, Holly Johnson, Carley, Eli, Isabel, Sheila Payne and Leona spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee hear updates and discuss Criminal Justice Reform and related initiatives.*

**A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Arreola, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

[170873.](#)

### **Landlord License Rental (B)**

*Recess: 2:56 PM*

*Reconvene: 3:03 PM*

*Commissioner Arreola arrived at 3:14 PM.*

*Motion: 1) Create a temporary City Commission "Rental Housing" Subcommittee that would sunset on the first GPC meeting in March, 2019. The subcommittee would (consist of Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Simmons and Commissioner Warren) receive updates from staff and give guidance on the programs creation. This will allow for more community engagement on the issue and will allow advocates for both rental rights and landlords to have their voices heard. It will also ensure that staff is working in the direction that the City Commission and the community wants; 2) Plan a summit on landlord/tenant win-wins plan; 3) Include appropriate citizen advisory committee to pair with subcommittee. Assign appropriate staff support to the meetings; and consider but not be limited to: A) Directing the City Manager or designee to draft a universal landlord license program that focuses on maintaining minimum health and safety standards; B) Directing the City Manager or designee to draft a minimum energy efficiency program for rental housing units. Directing the GRU Manager or designee, and UAB to help with the drafting of the minimum energy efficiency standards; C) Directing the City Manager or designee to draft a landlord tenant mediation program; D) Bring draft programs to*

the City Commission during the first GPC meeting in February to present program options for the City Commission's consideration; and E) Drafting program deliverables would include: a) Program structure and details; b) Estimated cost; c) Suggested methods to cover cost; and d) Staffing needs.

Fred Murry spoke to the matter.

Bill Shepherd spoke to the matter.

Jeff Look spoke to the matter.

Nancy Daren, Sheila Payne, Kayla Sosnon, Nathan Collier, Terry Martinback, Robert Mounts, Eli, Timothy, Tia, Gonzalo, Robert, John Fleming, Jason Fults, Alex Boxton and Natalie Maxwell spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION            The General Policy Committee discuss.

**A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Warren, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

[180399.](#)

### **Airbnb Regulations (B)**

#### **Evaluation of the Need for an Ordinance Governing “Short-Term” Rentals**

Fred Murry gave an introduction.

Jeff Look made a presentation.

*Motion: 1) Have staff to continue to look at options that can be put into the ordinance and support the services we monitor with the requirements to register/comply with other rental landlord fees; 2) Refer to the newly created landlord tenant subcommittee; and 3) Bring back language for federal lobbyists and add to the legislative agenda.*

Commissioner Ward left the meeting at 5:02 PM.

Andrew Persons spoke to the matter.

Robert Mounts, Cindy Montalto and Nancy Daren spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION            The General Policy Committee 1) discuss and 2) provide recommendation as to the need for further regulatory code.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Simmons, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Ward

**ADJOURNMENT - 5:20 PM**