



## WSPP Funding Formula Discussion

# City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Vision 2020 Master Plan

City Commission  
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# Funding Formula Status

- In 2008, the City received 40.26% of the sales tax revenue generated. The 2016 Florida Department of Revenue's Office of Tax Research project at the above percentage, would generate \$52,419,246.
- The 2016 proposed percentage is 35.750927% which would generate \$46,548,352, a difference of \$5,870,894.

# Meetings with County Staff

- Met on January 4, 2016, to initiate discussion about the difference in the 2008 sales tax revenue distribution.
- Met on January 25, 2016 to discuss County proposal of splitting the approximately \$6 million difference by identifying \$3 million of partner projects. Also discussed using a % to represent the approximate difference.

# Possible Negotiation Outcomes

1. Distribution formula is the same as in 2008, thereby truly ‘renewing the 2008 Wild Spaces Public Places sales tax initiative’.
2. Distribution formula remains the same and the County agrees to partner on \$6 million of specific City projects.
3. Distribution formula remains the same and the County agrees to partner on more than \$3 million of City projects but no less than \$3 million.
4. Distribution formula is increased by 2.25% thus splitting the difference and sharing a greater percentage if the projections exceed the state projections or sharing a lesser percentage if they do not.

# Staff Recommendations

The Commission: 1) discuss the distribution formula, 2) provide a list of prioritized negotiation outcomes, 3) direct the City Manager to negotiate the most beneficial distribution formula, and 4) direct the City Attorney's Office to prepare an interlocal agreement reflecting the final outcome.

## Questions and Comments