

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 27, 2002

6:00 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

City Hall Auditorium

City Commission

Mayor Tom Bussing (At-Large)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Warren Nielsen (At-Large)

Commissioner Chuck Chestnut (District 1)

Commissioner Edward Braddy (District 2)

Commissioner Tony Domenech (District 3)

Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in this meeting are requested to notify the Equal Opportunity Department at 334-5051 or call the TDD phone line at 334-2069 at least 48 hours in advance.

CALL TO ORDER - 6:06 PM**ROLL CALL**

Present: Tony Domenech, Edward Braddy, Chuck Chestnut, Warren Nielsen and Tom Bussing

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Domenech moved and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Nielsen seconded to adopt the agenda.

(VOTE: 4-0, Commissioner Chestnut - Absent - MOTION CARRIED)

ORDINANCES 2ND READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED**020247 CHARTER AMENDMENT (B)****ORDINANCE NO. 0-02-43**

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida; approving an amendment to the Charter Laws of the City of Gainesville; amending Article II of the Charter Laws, entitled "City Commission"; keeping the number of commissioners at 5 by repealing the requirement to increase the number of commissioners when the population of the city reaches or exceeds 110,000; keeping the number of election districts at 3 by repealing the requirement to increase the number of districts to 4; providing for submission of these charter amendments to the voters for approval or disapproval at the November 5, 2002 special municipal election; approving the question to be placed on the ballot; providing directions to the codifier; providing directions to the Clerk of the Commission; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Domenech, seconded by Commissioner Braddy, that this matter be Adopted on Final Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Tony Domenech, Edward Braddy and Tom Bussing

Nay: Warren Nielsen

Absent: Chuck Chestnut

020289 CHARTER AMENDMENT (B)**ORDINANCE NO. 0-02-46**

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida; approving an amendment to the

Charter Laws of the City of Gainesville; amending Article II of the Charter Laws, entitled "City Commission", by changing the initial terms of the added at-large seat to two years and the added district seat to one year, with subsequent three-year terms; providing for submission of the charter amendment to the voters for approval or disapproval at the November 5, 2002 special municipal election; approving the question to be placed on the ballot; providing that this charter amendment shall become effective if approved by the voters and if the charter amendment keeping the number of commissioners at 5, as proposed by ordinance no. 020247 is not approved by the voters; providing directions to the codifier; providing directions to the Clerk of the Commission; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

NOTE: Commissioner Chestnut entered the meeting room at 6:09 PM.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Domenech, seconded by Commissioner Braddy, that this matter be Adopted on Final Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Tony Domenech, Edward Braddy, Warren Nielsen and Tom Bussing
Nay: Chuck Chestnut

CITY MANAGER

020133 2003 - 2004 City Commission Budget (NB)

City Manager Wayne Bowers, Public Works Teresa Scott and Brian Kanely gave presentations.

FIRST MOTION: Commissioner Domenech moved and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Nielsen seconded to appropriate the bond funds for transportation projects with option for the roundabout on NW 31st Avenue.

(VOTE: 4-1, Mayor Bussing - No - (MOTION CARRIED))

NOTE: Mayor Bussing passed the gavel to Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Nielsen and moved to postpone action on the previous item pending the arrival of the City Attorney to answer questions.

(NO SECOND, MOTION FAILED)

City of Gainesville Nature Operations Manager Steve Phillips, Recreation Senior Executive Assistant Lori Copeland and Finance Director Mark Benton gave presentations.

Chair Bussing recognized Citizen Sarah Poll who spoke to the matter.

SECOND MOTION: Commissioner Braddy moved and Commissioner Domenech seconded to instruct the City Manager to appropriate bond funds for Recreation improvements and 1) and apply to the first three items on the unfunded capital

projects list; 2) including \$50,000 for the Sweetwater Park Lighting; 3) the balance into soccer field upgrades; 4) grant the City Manager leeway to appropriate funds into the proper accounts; and 5) the City Manager to return with a report on soccer fields.

(VOTE 5-0, MOTION CARRIED)

THIRD MOTION: Commissioner Braddy moved and Commissioner Chestnut seconded to instruct the City Manager to appropriate bond funds for the other unallocated sources of funds and give the City Manager leeway to make the transfer of funds as needed.

(VOTE: 5-0, MOTION CARRIED)

City of Gainesville Office of Management and Budget Director Becky Rountree; Fire Chief Richard Williams; and Administrative Services Director Glenda Currie gave presentations.

Chair Bussing recognized Juvenile Justice Center Director Marilyn Anderson who gave a presentation.

Police Chief Norm Botsford and Traffic Engineering Manager Brian Kanely gave presentations.

NOTE: Commissioner Chestnut moved and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Nielsen seconded to instruct the City Manager to implement parking meter fee increases to \$1.00 per hour.

(WITHDRAWN)

WAIVER OF RULES: Commissioner Chestnut moved and Commissioner Domenech seconded to waive the rules to extend the meeting until 11:15 PM.

(VOTE: 5-0, MOTION CARRIED)

WAIVER OF RULES: Commissioner Chestnut moved and Commissioner Domenech seconded to waive the rules to extend the meeting until 11:30 PM.

(VOTE: 5-0, MOTION CARRIED)

FOURTH MOTION: Commissioner Chestnut moved and Commissioner Braddy seconded to direct the City Manager to bring back the General Fund Budget which: 1) Includes no increase in parking fees; 2) applies the balance of the Contract Issues Account to clear the deficit; 3) the remainder, after clearing the deficit to be combined with the balance of the City Commission Contingency Fund for the current year; and 4) at a continuation of this meeting the City Commission will allocate those funds toward unfunded programs.

(VOTE: 5-0, MOTION CARRIED)

Chair Bussing recognized Citizen Sarah Poll spoke to the matter.

FIFTH MOTION: Commissioner Braddy moved and Commissioner Chestnut seconded to continue this meeting to the Special City Commission Meeting on Thursday, August 29, 2002 at 3:30 PM.

(VOTE: 5-0, MOTION CARRIED)

RECESS: 11:30 PM, Tuesday, August 27, 2002

RECONVENE: 3:38 PM, Thursday, August 29, 2002

City Manager Wayne Bowers gave a presentation.

NOTE: Commissioner Domenech entered the meeting room at 5:11 PM.

*NOTE: Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Nielsen moved and Commissioner Chestnut seconded to fund the: 1) Juvenile Assessment Center for \$70,000; 2) County Visioning Process for \$20,000; 3) Wireless Master Telecommunications Plan for \$10,000; 4) East Gainesville Development Corporation for \$20,000; 5) Families Against Drugs for \$10,000; and 6) The Design Center for \$3,000; and 7) the City Manager can balance the few odd dollars that were rounded off.
(WITHDRAWN)*

*SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Commissioner Domenech moved and Commissioner Braddy seconded to fund the Juvenile Assessment Center for \$84,000.
(VOTE: 2-3, Commissioner's Chestnut and Braddy - Yes; and Commissioner's Domenech, Nielsen and Mayor Bussing - NO - MOTION FAILED)*

Chair Bussing recognized Juvenile Assessment Center Director Marilyn Anderson and Wayland Clifton who spoke to the matter.

*SIXTH MOTION: Commissioner Domenech moved and Commissioner Nielsen seconded to: 1) Fund the Juvenile Assessment Center for \$70,000 for 10 months; 2) Visioning Process for \$20,000, 3) Wireless Master Plan for \$24,000, 4) East Gainesville Development Corporation for \$15,000 and 5) Families Against Drugs for \$5,000.
(3-2, Commissioners Braddy and Chestnut - No - MOTION CARRIED)*

*SEVENTH MOTION: Commissioner Domenech moved and Commissioner Chestnut seconded to fund the deficit for FY 2004 with the Contract Issues Contingency Fund.
(VOTE: 3-2, Commissioner's Braddy and Chestnut - No - MOTION CARRIED)*

*EIGHTH MOTION: Commissioner Chestnut moved and Commissioner Domenech seconded to approve the City Manager's recommendation for the funding of Advisory Boards.
(VOTE: 5-0, MOTION CARRIED)*

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission continue discussion on the FY 03, FY 04 Budget and take action as deemed appropriate.*

Approved, as shown above

ADJOURNMENT - 6:36 PM

Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission