# **City of Gainesville**

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



# **Meeting Minutes**

Monday, July 16, 2012

9:00 AM

City Commission Special Meeting

City Hall Auditorium

## **City Commission**

Mayor Craig Lowe (At Large)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro-Tem Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Thomas Hawkins (At Large)
Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls (District 1)
Commissioner Todd Chase (District 2)
Commissioner Susan Bottcher (District 3)
Commissioner Randy Wells (District 4)

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#### CALL TO ORDER - 9:07 AM

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Poe, seconded by

Commissioner Hawkins, to adopt the agenda.

(VOTE: 6-0, Commissioner Wells- Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

*NOTE:* Commissioner Wells entered the meeting room at 9:44 AM.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Craig Lowe, Lauren Poe, Thomas Hawkins, Randy Wells, Todd Chase, Susan Bottcher and Yvonne Hinson-Rawls

#### **CITY MANAGER**

### 120147. General Government Budget (B)

INTRODUCTIONS: City Manager Russ Blackburn gave introductions.

STAFF PRESENTATION: Administrative Services Director Becky Rountree, Public Works Director Teresa Scott, Finance Director Mark Benton and Fire Chief Gene Prince.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson-Rawls, seconded by Commissioner Bottcher to host a symposium with bankers, mortgage lenders, Tax Collector's Office staff and Property Appraiser's staff to brainstorm solutions for occupying homes that are available and also vacant lots that are neglected in established communities.

(VOTE: 7-0, MOTION CARRIED)

RECESS: 11:46 AM

RECONVENE: 12:38 PM

**RECOMMENDATION** The City Commission hear presentations from staff and take

action as appropriate.

Approved as shown above (See Motion)

### **ADJOURNMENT - 2:37 PM**