

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

Thursday, September 10, 2015

6:00 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

City Hall Auditorium

City Commission

Mayor Ed Braddy (At Large)
Commissioner Harvey Budd (At Large)
Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)
Commissioner Charles Goston (District 1)
Commissioner Todd Chase (District 2)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Craig Carter (District 3)
Commissioner Randy Wells (District 4)

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ROLL CALL - 6:02 PM

Present 7 - Mayor Braddy, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

AGENDA STATEMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Budd, seconded by Commissioner Chase, that this Matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

Absent: 2 - Mayor Braddy, and Commissioner Warren

BUDGET

ORDINANCES, 1ST READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED

[150246.](#)

APPENDIX A - SCHEDULE OF FEES, RATES, AND CHARGES FOR UTILITIES; ELECTRICITY, WATER, SEWERAGE, NATURAL GAS, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND UTILITIES IN GENERAL, AND RELATED REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 27 (B)

Ordinance No. 150246

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Code of Ordinances relating to utilities; amending section 27-31 relating to public streetlight and rental outdoor light services; amending section 27-124 relating to water system plan review service fees; amending section 27-128 relating to the surcharge that applies to water connection charges; amending section 27-129 relating to water connection charges; amending section 27-169 relating to the surcharge that applies to wastewater collection connection charges; amending section 27-171 relating to wastewater connection charges; amending section 27-172 relating to wastewater system plan review service fees; amending Appendix A, Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges, to revise fees, rates, and charges for electricity, water, sewerage, natural gas, stormwater management and utilities in general; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

Commissioner Warren arrived at 6:04 PM. Mayor Braddy arrived at 6:13 PM.

Jim Konish, Don Glendening, George Brown, Debbie Martinez, Ernesto Martinez and Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Chase, seconded by Commissioner Warren, that this Matter be Adopted on First Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

Absent: 1 - Mayor Braddy

PUBLIC HEARING

150275.

TENTATIVE GAINESVILLE REGIONAL UTILITIES BUDGET - FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 (B)

RESOLUTION NO. 150275

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE D/B/A GAINESVILLE REGIONAL UTILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; PROJECTING REVENUES AND ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET TO PAY FOR PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES, OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENSES, FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY, AND FOR DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

Jim Konish, Don Glendening and Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed resolution.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Chase, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, that this Matter be Adopted (Resolution). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Braddy, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

150218.

FIRE ASSESSMENT - ANNUAL RATE RESOLUTION (B)

A resolution of the City of Gainesville, Florida, relating to the provision of fire services, facilities and programs in the City of Gainesville, Florida; imposing Fire Services Special Assessments against assessed properties located within the City for the fiscal year that begins October 1, 2015; providing for exemptions; approving the assessment roll; providing for the estimated fire services assessed cost; approving the rate of assessment; providing for severability; and providing an immediate effective date.

Paul Folkers made a presentation.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission: 1) receive any written objections filed;*

2) hear testimony from all interested persons; 3) approve the assessment roll; 4) establish the annual rate for the Fire Services Special Assessment; and 5) adopt the proposed Annual Assessment Resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Chase, that this Matter be Adopted (Resolution) and Approved the Recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Braddy, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

RESOLUTION

[150196.](#)

RESOLUTION CREATING THE FIRE SERVICES SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PAYMENT PROGRAM FOR RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS (B)

Resolution No. 150196

A Resolution of the City of Gainesville, Florida, creating a program to pay the annual Fire Services Special Assessment on certain properties owned and used by religious and charitable organizations; providing for program guidelines and procedures; providing for findings and remedies; and providing an effective date.

Paul Folkers made a presentation.

Jo Beaty and Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission: 1) adopt the proposed Resolution; and 2) direct staff to take no further action with regard to exempting properties used for religious and charitable purposes from the fire services special assessment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wells, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, that this Matter be Adopted (Resolution) and Approved the Recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Braddy, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Warren

ORDINANCES, 1ST READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED

[140949.](#)

APPENDIX A - SCHEDULE OF FEES, RATES & CHARGES (B)

Ordinance No. 140949

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Appendix A, Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges of the Code of Ordinances by revising

fees, rates and charges for the following: adult performance establishment, escort service and escort licenses; alcoholic beverages; cable franchise; cemetery; controlled vehicular parking area decals/permits; fire/rescue; health and sanitation; home occupation permit; land development code; parks, recreation and cultural affairs; peddlers, solicitors and canvassers; registered domestic partnerships; secondhand goods; streets, sidewalks and other public places; taxation; traffic and motor vehicles; and utilities relating to solid waste and recyclables; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

Mark Benton and Becky Rountree made presentations.

Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Wells, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, that this Matter be Adopted on First Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

Absent: 1 - Mayor Braddy

PUBLIC HEARING

150268.

TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE - FISCAL YEAR 2015 - 2016 (B)

RESOLUTION NO. 150268

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA; RELATING TO THE LEVY OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSE AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; ESTABLISHING A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE; SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

April Shuping and Tony Jones made presentations.

Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed Resolution.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Goston, that this Matter be Adopted (Resolution). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

Nay: 1 - Mayor Braddy

[150269.](#)

TENTATIVE GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET - FISCAL YEAR 2015 - 2016 (B)

RESOLUTION NO. 150269

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA; RELATING TO ITS GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET FOR THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE GENERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AND OPERATING PLAN BUDGET; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed Resolution.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Wells, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, that this Matter be Adopted (Resolution). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Braddy, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

CITY MANAGER

[140636.](#)

Equal Opportunity Director Employment Agreement (B)

This is a request for the City Commission to approve the Equal Opportunity Director Employment Agreement.

Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission approve the employment agreement of Torey Alston.*

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

Aye: 7 - Mayor Braddy, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Carter, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Wells, Commissioner Chase, Commissioner Goston, and Commissioner Budd

ADJOURNMENT - 7:27 PM

Kurt Lannon, Clerk of the Commission