

# City of Gainesville

City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601



## Minutes

August 24, 2017

1:00 PM

City Hall, Room 16

## General Policy Committee

*Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)*  
*Commissioner Harvey Budd (At Large)*  
*Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Helen Warren (At Large)*  
*Commissioner Charles Goston (District 1)*  
*Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)*  
*Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)*  
*Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)*

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**ROLL CALL - 1:01 PM**

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

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

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

**Aye:** 4 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Budd, and Commissioner Arreola

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Goston, Commissioner Warren, and Commissioner Ward

**AGENDA STATEMENT****160396. Enterprise Zone Policies & General Infrastructure Economic Development in other Parts of the City (B)**

*Commissioner Ward arrived at 1:02 PM.*

*Commissioner Warren arrived at 1:05 PM.*

*Commissioner Goston arrived at 2:03 PM.*

*Erik Bredfeldt, Wayne Northcutt, Bill Shepherd and Daniel Hoffman made presentations.*

*Motion by Commissioner Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Warren: 1) Staff to report back on how General Government would either modify the Real Rate Program or craft a new program that would offer the greater discount in the Enterprise Zone, (start at manufacturing, and to talk to more stakeholders to see what would be meaningful to them, and how it would encourage them to stay here); and 2) Look at the 100 and 400 numbers. Motion passed 7-0.*

*Motion by Commissioner Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Ward: 1) Flexibility to craft a Real Rate Program that balances the fiscal impact; and 2) As soon as its available bring back to the GPC for final discussion before it goes to the City Commission. Motion passed 7-0.*

*Commissioner Arreola listed some ideas he had which were: 1) Keep the 50% reduction development fees; 2) Explore the possibility of ridership incentives (property tax abatement, etc); 3) Incentive for every employee that is paid a living wage; 4) possibility of freeloading effect (looking to locate near an Enterprise Zone); and 5) Facade grant.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The General Policy Committee receive an update on Enterprise Zone Program and provide feedback as appropriate.*

Approved as shown above.

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

160776.

**Gainesville Annexation Strategies (B)**

**This is a request for the General Policy Committee to discuss annexation strategies for the areas most impacted by the termination of the Fire Services Assistance Agreement (FSAA). \*\*ESTIMATED STAFF PRESENTATION 15 MINUTES\*\***

*Wendy Thomas, Lila Stewart, Fred Murry and Chief Lane made presentations.*

*Regina Middleton and Harold Theus spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The General Policy Committee receive a presentation from staff and take action deemed appropriate.*

**Discussed**

170198.

**Issues related to Accessory Dwelling Units within the City of Gainesville (B)**

**This is a request for the General Policy Committee to discuss issues related to Accessory dwelling units within the City of Gainesville.\*Estimated presentation time is 15 minutes\***

*Charles Goston left the meeting at 3:15 PM.*

*Wendy Thomas, Lawrence Calderon, Florence Buaku and Sean McDermont made presentations.*

*Bruce DeLaney and John Fleming spoke to the matter.*

*Motion: Move ahead on the Powerpoint with recommendations. Approved via consensus.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The following recommendations are submitted for consideration by the committee.*

1. *The City should direct staff to begin work on identifying quick administrative and process changes that can be implemented to facilitate the use of accessory dwelling units within the City.*
2. *The City should take action to adopt policies that are recommended in the report with appropriate funding.*
3. *The City should also direct staff to prepare a*

*proposal outlining a process for guiding the review, permitting and construction of accessory dwelling units.*

**As shown above**

**170143. Vacation / AirBnb Rentals (B)**

*Chris Cooper made a presentation.*

*Bill Richards spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee hear a report from staff.*

**Discussed**

**170146. Staff Analysis to Achieve the Terms and Conditions of the Paris Climate Agreement (B)**

*Robert Klemans and Daniel Hoffman made presentations.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *Hear a presentation from staff.*

**Heard**

**170317. Referral List (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The General Policy Committee discuss the referral list and take action deemed appropriate.*

**No Action Taken**

**ADJOURNMENT - 5:16 PM**