

# City of Gainesville

City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601



## **Minutes - Draft**

January 21, 2021

1:00 PM

City Hall Auditorium

## **City Commission**

*Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)*  
*Commissioner Reina Saco (At Large)*  
*Commissioner Gail Johnson (At Large)*  
*Commissioner Gigi Simmons (District 1)*  
*Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)*  
*Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem David Arreola (District 3)*  
*Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)*

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**CALL TO ORDER - 1:02 PM**

**AGENDA STATEMENT**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

[200682.](#) **Attendance Affidavit (B)**

*Need to click on Item Number for Attachment.*

**INVOCATION**

**CA ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (CA) - GRU, General Government, Audit & Finance Committee and General Policy Committee Items**

*Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Adopted on the Consent Agenda with Modifications. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Simmons

**CA-1 [200697.](#) Approval of Minutes from the January 7 and January 12, 2021 City Commission Meetings (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION** *The City Commission approve the January 7 and January 12, 2021 minutes.*

**Approved as Recommended**

**CA-2 [200702.](#) Appointments to City Commission Advisory Boards and Committees (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION** *The City Commission appoint:*

*Geraldine Klarenberg to the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Board for a term to expire on 12/31/2021.*

*Wayne Kemp as a student member of the Gainesville Human Rights Board for a term to expire on 9/30/2021*

Approved as Recommended

CA-3 [200714.](#)

**GRU Operational Update for the Months of October, November and December 2020 (B)**

RECOMMENDATION      *Receive reports.*

Approved as Recommended

CA-4 [200717.](#)

**Equity Advisory Council Recommendation (B)**

RECOMMENDATION      *The City Commission consider and approve recommendation to draft an ordinance that would establish an Equity Advisory Council independent of the Human Rights Board*

Approved as Recommended

CA-5 [200718.](#)

**Advisory Board and Committee Annual Reports (B)**

RECOMMENDATION      *The City Commission receive and review the advisory board and committee annual reports.*

Approved as Recommended

CA-6 [200648.](#)

**Request for Release of Escrowed Deposit (B)**

This item involves City Commission review of a letter from 1+1=3 of Gainesville, LLC regarding request for Release of Escrowed Deposit associated with the development of City Parking Lot #10.

RECOMMENDATION      *The City Commission: 1) hear a brief presentation on the request; 2) due to the unique challenges associated with development during the COVID-19 pandemic, staff supports Mr. Fogler's request for refunding the deposit.*

Approved as Recommended

CA-7 **200747.**

**The Equity Summit, Partnership Agreement with Gainesville, FL (B)**

RECOMMENDATION      *The City Commission discuss and take action deemed necessary.*

Approved as Recommended

CA-8 [200700.](#)

**General Government Budget Calendar (NB)**

The City Commission approves dates for discussion of the FY2022/2023 biennial budget.

RECOMMENDATION      *The City Commission approve the dates requested by staff.*

Approved as Recommended

**CA-10**    [200746.](#)            **Acquisition of Additional Conservation Lands for Hogtown Creek Headwaters Nature Park (B)**

RECOMMENDATION            *The City Commission: 1) approve the Contract for Purchase and Sale of Real Property for Tax Parcels 07901-000-000 and 07902-001-000 in the amount of \$186,000.00 plus closing costs, as negotiated by staff; and 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the appropriate contract and closing documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.*

Approved as Recommended

**CA-9**    [200751.](#)            **2021 City Election (NB)**

RECOMMENDATION            *The City Commission approve the Supervisor of Elections Office, the Millhopper Library, University of Florida Reitz Union and Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Center as early voting sites for the 2021 Election on March 16, 2021.*

*Note: The Reitz Union is still pending confirmation but the Clerk will send notice to the Commission once final approval is received.*

Approved as Recommended

**ADOPTION OF REGULAR AGENDA**

*Modification: BD-10 200750 - Time certain of 7:00 pm.*

*Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.*

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

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - Members of the public may speak for up to three (3) minutes per meeting on any item not on the agenda.**

*Jenatte Davis (recorded line)  
Nathan Skop*

**BD    BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS (BD) - GRU and General Government items placed on the agenda by the Charter Officers or moved from Consent.**

**BD-1**    [200699.](#)            **2021 Canvassing Board Appointment (NB)**

*Motion: Appoint Commissioner Ward to the Canvassing Board for 2021 for City election.*

*Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.*

*Recess - 1:38 PM*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The City Commission: 1) appoint a City Commissioner to the 2021 Canvassing Board; or 2) in the absence of a Commissioner, the City Commission appoint the City Auditor to the 2021 Canvassing Board.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**BD-2** [200554.](#)

**Appointments to the Police Advisory Council (B)**

*Reconvene 1:48 PM*

*Motion: Accept top10 ranked, and accept as the tie breaker, Brittani Melvin.*

*Appoint Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Robert Cohen, Milford Griner and Fared Johnson (term to expire 2025); Evelyn Foxx, Andrew Miles, Sheila Payne, and Duncan Purves (term to expire 2024); Ernest Walker, Keyon Young and Brittani Melvin (term to expire 2023).*

*Danielle Chanzas, Ernest Walker, Nathan Skop and Colin Hines spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The City Commission discuss appointments to the Police Advisory Council and take appropriate action.*

**A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**Nay:** 1 - Commissioner Johnson

**BD-3** [200647.](#)

**Special Magistrate Requests Release of Liens (B)**

*Motion: Continue and have staff come back with a draft policy on*

*foreclosure of properties at the February 18, 2021 Commission meeting; and 2) Bring back hiring process for special magistrate rate and the current contract.*

*Lee Feldman, City Manager introduced.*

*Jeff Braswell, Special Magistrate spoke to the matter.*

*Nicolle Shalley, City Attorney spoke to the matter.*

*Fred Murry, Assistant City Manager spoke to the matter.*

*Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.*

*Recess - 2:48 PM*

*Reconvene - 3:00 PM*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The City Commission approve, approve with modification or deny the Code Enforcement Special Magistrate's recommendations and authorize the Mayor and/or the City Manager to sign any required documents as outlined:*

- 1. David C. Hoye, 506 NW 3rd Street: Magistrate recommends that the lien in the amount of \$195,223.02 be released.*
- 2. Ina H Santos, 2130 SE Hawthorne Road: Magistrate recommends that the lien in the amount of \$25,500 be reduced to \$1,000.*
- 3. Kaja Holdings LLC, 115 SE 14th Street: Magistrate recommends that the lien in the amount of \$1,400,000 be released.*
- 4. David C/Linda K Stewart, 3119 SW 26th Terrace: Magistrate recommends that the lien in the amount of \$131,300 be released with the following conditions: The respondent has 60 days from the signing of the order to sell the property or the fines will revert to \$131,300.*
- 5. John L. Rowe, 1237 SE 3rd Avenue: Magistrate recommends that the lien release request be denied.*
- 6. Jose Luis Fornis, 3707 SW 28th Terrace: Magistrate recommends that the lien in the amount of \$67,531.11 be reduced to \$5,000.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons, seconded by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**BD-5**    [200529.](#)    **Implementation for Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Master Plan and Continued Acquisition of Conservation Land (B)**

This item requests that the City Commission review and approve the priorities of the Land Conservation and Acquisition Program.

RECOMMENDATION            *The City Commission: 1) review the Land Conservation Ranking Criteria List.*

**Continued to February 4, 2021.**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**TIME CERTAIN - 3:00 PM**

**BD-6**    [200358.](#)    **COVID Response (B)**

*Motion: 1) Direct staff to look at areas in the city that can be designated as an open container area; 2) Use Equal Opportunity toolkits and report impacts for midnight permitting; 3) Remove barriers from Tom Kat Kafe and relocate in front of the TOP restaurant; 4) Review ordinance from south Florida to bring information back on permitting; 5) Run current open container through Equity Toolkit; 6) Bring back ideas for reducing noise from large gatherings; 7) Staff will come back with a possible micro grant program proposal; and 8) Bring back analysis on enforcement of face masks inside businesses..*

*Staff analysis, open container - Motion passed unanimously.*

*Remainder of motion - Motion passed unanimously.*

*Lee Feldman spoke to the matter.*

*Dr. Ann Christiano, Director Center for Public Interest Communications gave a presentation.*

*Annie Neimand, Research Director Center for Public Interest Communications gave a presentation.*

*Matt Sheehan, Managing Director Center for Public Interest Communications gave a presentation.*

*Mark Rottenskiner gave a presentation.*

*Sammi Green gave a presentation.*

*Stephanie Strickland gave a presentation.*

*Nicolle Shalley spoke to the matter.*

*Tom Fox, Samuel Mutch, Nathan Skop and Sandra spoke to the matter.*

*Recess - 5:16 PM*

RECOMMENDATION      *The City Commission hear an update on the following topics and take actions as deemed necessary:*

- 1. Healthy Gainesville*
- 2. Bar/Restaurant Capacity*
- 3. Open Container Policy*
- 4. Street Barrier Removal*

**Approved, as shown above**

**BD-7      [200521.](#)      Hogtown Creek Greenway Update (B)**

*Recess - 5:45 PM*

RECOMMENDATION      *To seek general input and guidance from City Commission.*

**Continued to February 4, 2021.**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**CC      COMMISSION COMMENT**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PR      PROCLAMATIONS/SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS (PR)**

**PR-1      [200695.](#)      Zero Waste Week January 24-30, 2021 (B)**

*Nina Bhattacharyya spoke.*

RECOMMENDATION      *Zero Waste Gainesville members Amanda Rice Waddle and Nina Bhattacharyya to accept the proclamation. The Repurpose Project Co-Founder Sarah Goff to accept the proclamation.*



Heard

**BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS (BD) - GRU and General Government items placed on the agenda by the Charter Officers or moved from Consent.**

**BD-9**    [200720.](#)            **Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos: Clearboarding Ordinance (B)**

*Motion: 1) Send to the City Attorney's Office for drafting an ordinance; and 2) Have staff look at program cost and how the city can offset expense for low-income individuals.*

*Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.*

RECOMMENDATION            *The City Commission discuss enacting a clearboarding ordinance for abandoned properties in the city and give direction to staff to create an ordinance.*

**Approved, as shown above**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**RE        RESOLUTIONS - ROLL CALL REQUIRED (RE)**

**RE-1**    [200633.](#)            **Resolution for a Public Transportation Grant Agreement - Public Transit Service Development Program Agreement for Autonomous Vehicle Project (B)**

RECOMMENDATION            *The City Commission adopt the resolution.*

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

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**PUBLIC HEARINGS (PH)**

**SR        ORDINANCES, 2ND READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED (SR)**

**SR-1**    [190973.](#)            **Voluntary Annexation - City-Owned Tower Road Lift Station - 0.057 Acres of Property located on SW 75th Street (Tower Road) (B)**

Ordinance No. 190973

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, annexing approximately 0.057 acres of City-owned property (tax parcel no. 06678-010-137) generally located south of the current City limit, west of SW 17th Place, north of SW 19th Place, and east of SW 75th Street (Tower Road), as more specifically described in this ordinance, as petitioned for by the property owner(s) pursuant to Chapter 171, Florida Statutes; making certain findings; providing for inclusion of the property in Appendix I of the City Charter; providing for land use plan, zoning, and subdivision regulations, and enforcement of same; providing for persons engaged in any occupation, business, trade, or profession; providing directions to the City Clerk; 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 Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Adopted on Final Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**SR-2**     [190974.](#)

**Voluntary Annexation - 4.25 Acres of City-Owned Property located South of GRU Water Reclamation Facility (B)**

Ordinance No. 190974

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, annexing approximately 4.25 acres of city-owned property generally located south of Gainesville Regional Utilities' Water Reclamation Facility, west of Lake Kanapaha, north of Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, and east of SW 63rd Street, as more specifically described in this ordinance, as petitioned for by the property owner(s) pursuant to Chapter 171, Florida Statutes; making certain findings; providing for inclusion of the property in Appendix I of the City Charter; providing for land use plan, zoning, and subdivision regulations, and enforcement of same; providing for persons engaged in any occupation, business, trade, or profession; providing directions to the City Clerk; 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 Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Adopted on Final Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**SR-3**    [190975.](#)

**Voluntary Annexation - City-Owned Sweetwater Creek Right-of-Way - 7.16 Acres of Property located on SE Williston Road (B)**

Ordinance No. 190975

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, annexing approximately 7.16 acres of city-owned property (tax parcel no. 16246-003-002) generally located south of SE Williston Road and SE 16th Avenue, west of Paynes Prairie, north of Sweetwater Wetlands Park, and east of the Gainesville city limits, as more specifically described in this ordinance, as petitioned for by the property owner(s) pursuant to Chapter 171, Florida Statutes; making certain findings; providing for inclusion of the property in Appendix I of the City Charter; providing for land use plan, zoning, and subdivision regulations, and enforcement of same; providing for persons engaged in any occupation, business, trade, or profession; providing directions to the City Clerk; 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 Ward, seconded by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Adopted on Final Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**SR-4**    [190976.](#)

**Voluntary Annexation - 0.071 Acres of City-Owned Property Located East of SW 41st Boulevard (B)**

Ordinance No. 190976

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, annexing approximately 0.071 acres of city-owned property (tax parcel no. 07240-034-000) generally located southwest of Interstate 75, north of Gainesville city limits, and east of SW 41st Boulevard, as more specifically described in this ordinance, as petitioned for by the property owner(s) pursuant to Chapter 171, Florida Statutes; making certain findings; providing for inclusion of the property in Appendix I of the City Charter; providing for land use plan, zoning, and subdivision regulations, and enforcement of same; providing for persons engaged in any occupation, business, trade, or profession; providing directions to the City Clerk; 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 Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola, that this Matter be Adopted on Final Reading (Ordinance).**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS (BD) - GRU and General Government items placed on the agenda by the Charter Officers or moved from Consent.**

**BD-4    [180361.](#)            **Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Approval (B)****

*Motion: 1) Continue to February 4, 2021; and 2) Bring back answers to questions asked and the corresponding agreements.*

*Ed Bielarski, GRU General Manager introduced.*

*Tom Brown, GRU Chief Operating Officer spoke to the matter.*

*Chad Parker, GRU Project Manager gave a presentation.*

*Nathan Skop and Armando Grundy-Gomes spoke to the matter.*

*Recess - 6:53 PM*

*Reconvene - 7:00 PM*

RECOMMENDATION            *1. Authorize the General Manager or his designee to execute a Master Agreement with Itron for a term of 21 years that includes the purchase of the metering assets, network infrastructure, software licenses, professional services to implement the project and the provision of ongoing software as a service for the hosting and ongoing maintenance of the software in a secure cloud. The Master Agreement set of documents includes SaaS, SOW, Order Document and MSA, which are all subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.*

*2. Authorize the General Manager or his designee to execute an agreement with Aclara SGS for the installation of Smart Meters for the AMI solution. The agreement and SOW are subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.*

*UAB: At their January 14, 2021 meeting, the UAB voted 6-0,*

*with member Miles absent, to advise the City Commission to approve the staff recommendation.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

## **TIME CERTAIN - 7:00 PM**

### **BD-10 [200750](#) Commissioner Harvey Ward - Traffic Safety (NB)**

*Motion:*

*Direct City Manager to ask FDOT for a speed reduction, flashing lights and proper signage and sidewalk barriers while potential roadway redesign is underway. Motion passed 4-3. Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco and Commissioner Hayes-Santos in dissent.*

*Remainder of Motion passed unanimously.*

*First, I am glad to see the introduction of the STEP program for increased enforcement. Enforcement should be the last step, but we are in a position to make it necessary. I am also pleased that there will soon be increased lighting along Waldo Rd, and that some changes are coming to Williston Rd.*

*Second, I want us to consider closing on a pilot basis the 100 and 200 blocks of NW 17th Street to car and truck traffic other than deliveries and waste collection, and asking UF to close Buckman to motor vehicle access from University Avenue. Turns at this intersection seem dangerous anecdotally dating back more than a decade, and until we have studied the data we should take this precaution.*

*Third, I want us to direct the City Manager to approach the FDOT to ask them to turn over responsibility of SR 26 from E 15th Street to W 22nd Street and US 441 from N 16th Ave to S 16th Ave to the City of Gainesville for the purpose of reshaping them in the Complete Streets model. Our city has a track record of success in this regard. Further, he should be empowered to approach UF, Alachua County and the FDOT about major funding assistance for redesign and further planning and maintenance of these streets.*

*Fourth, I want us to empower the City Manager and staff to make changes within their authority as quickly as possible regarding traffic safety, and to bring us ideas that fall outside their authority, and to be aggressive about both.*

*Fifth, I want us to direct the City Manager to work with the Communications Department to create and enact a traffic safety education program for our community.*

*Sixth, Draft a resolution to the Florida League of Cities Transportation Committee.*

*Seventh, Direct staff to add this to our top priorities with state lobbyists to create a statewide coalition on this issue.*

*Lee Feldman spoke to the matter.*

*Annie Wise, Charles King, Jennifer Solomon, Niko Segal-Wright, Byron Jaffey, Nathan Skop, Alfredo Morales, Armando Grundy-Gomes, Lisa Paxton, Lisa Goldstein, Ms. Ortiz, Kristen Young, Marylou Hildreth, Julia Omi and Bruce Kaufman spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission discuss and take action deemed necessary.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

## **FR      ORDINANCES, 1ST READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED (FR)**

### **FR-1      [200280](#)      Quasi-Judicial - Historic Property Tax Exemption - 719 NE 5th Street (B)**

Ordinance No. 200280

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, finding that property located at 719 NE 5th Street, Gainesville, Florida, as more specifically described in this ordinance, qualifies for an ad valorem tax exemption for historic properties; granting an exemption from ad valorem tax for certain improvements beginning January 1, 2021, and continuing for 10 years under certain conditions; authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant between the property owner and the City; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

*Andrew Persons, Interim Director of Sustainable Development introduced.*

*Jason Simmons, Planner 1 gave a presentation.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission: 1) approve Part 2 of the Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Application; and 2) adopt the proposed ordinance.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Adopted on First Reading (Ordinance) and Approved the Recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**FR-2**      [200464.](#)

**Pedestrian Safety - Traffic Separator Ordinance (B)**

Ordinance No. 200464

An Ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, creating a new Article VII titled "Pedestrians Prohibited in Traffic Separators" within Chapter 26 titled "Traffic and Motor Vehicles" of the City Code of Ordinances; amending Sec. 2-339 to create a civil citation penalty; providing a severability clause, providing a repealing clause and providing an effective date.

*Nicolle Shalley spoke to the matter.*

*Lee Feldman spoke to the matter.*

*Niko Segal-Wright, Nathan Skop, Patrick Dodd, Leann Shepherd, Ms. Kimber, Alfredo Morales, Sade Fridenhower, Kareem Dubi and Lelo Leanns spoke to the matter*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission consider the proposed ordinance.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Adopted on First Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**FR-3**      [200657.](#)

**Ordinance Amending the Supplemental Retirement Program for Police Officers (B)**

Ordinance No. 200657

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Section 2-608 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville to modify the eligibility rules associated with the Supplemental Retirement Program for Police Officers; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The City Commission: 1) approve the amendment to the Police Share Plan as ratified by the FOP and the PBA; and 2) adopt the proposed Ordinance.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Saco, that this Matter be Adopted on First Reading (Ordinance) and Approved the Recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS (BD) - GRU and General Government items placed on the agenda by the Charter Officers or moved from Consent.**

**BD-8**    [200591.](#)

**Welcome Back Program (B)**

*Motion: CRA staff take into context all discussions and bring back plan that includes prior residency in neighborhood.*

*Lee Feldman introduced.*

*Chelsea Bakaitis, CRA Project Manager II gave a presentation.*

*Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward to waive the Commission rules and extend the meeting for five minutes. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*City Manager to City Commission: Hear presentation and provide feedback.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

**ADJOURNMENT - 10:04 PM**