

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 26, 2012

7:00 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

City Hall Auditorium

City Commission

Mayor Craig Lowe (At Large)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Thomas Hawkins (At Large)

Commissioner Scherwin Henry (District 1)

Commissioner Todd Chase (District 2)

Commissioner Susan Bottcher (District 3)

Commissioner Randy Wells (District 4)

Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa (At Large)

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CALL TO ORDER - 7:08 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Craig Lowe, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Thomas Hawkins, Randy Wells, Todd Chase and Susan Bottcher

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Henry, seconded by Commissioner Bottcher to adopt the agenda.

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

Mayor Lowe recognized Pat Fitzpatrick who made comments.

NOTE: Commissioner Wells entered the meeting room at 7:10 PM.

CITY MANAGER

110832. Charter County and Regional Transportation System Surtax (B)

Section 212.055, Florida Statutes allows charter counties to impose a discretionary sales surtax of up to 1 percent. On September 20, 2011 the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners authorized County staff to proceed with development of a 2012 ballot initiative for a 1-cent Charter County Transportation System Surtax for a period of at least ten years and to begin discussions with City of Gainesville and other small cities and to begin the community involvement process.

INTRODUCTIONS: Mayor Lowe and the City Manager Russ Blackburn gave introductions.

STAFF PRESENTATION: City Public Works Director Teresa Scott and Alachua County Engineer Dave Cerlanek gave presentations.

CITIZEN COMMENT: Mayor Lowe recognized David Coffey and Warren Nielsen who spoke to the matter.

AMENDMENT: A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hawkins, seconded by Commissioner Mastrodicasa to request a 15 year time period for the surtax from the County.

(VOTE: 6-1, Commissioner Chase No, MOTION CARRIED)

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission: 1) hear presentation regarding the Common Approach Listing; and 2) approve the Common Approach Listing.*

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hawkins, seconded by Commissioner Mastrodicasa, that this matter be Approved as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Craig Lowe, Randy Wells, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Susan Bottcher and Thomas Hawkins

Nay: Todd Chase

ADJOURNMENT - 9:00 PM

Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission