

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

July 17, 2018

1:30 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

City Hall Auditorium

City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)

Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)

Commissioner Gail Johnson (At Large)

Commissioner Gigi Simmons (District 1)

Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)

Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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CALL TO ORDER - 1:30 PM**AGENDA STATEMENT****ROLL CALL**

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Simmons

Clerk's Note: The City Commission waive the rules to hear Resolutions before 6:00 PM

Motion by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos to waive the City Commission rules and hear the resolutions before 6:00 PM. Motion passed 6-0. Commissioner Simmons absent.

Anthony Lyons gave an update/introduction to the budget session.

RESOLUTIONS - ROLL CALL REQUIRED**[18037](#)****Fire Assessment - Preliminary Rate Resolution (B)**

A resolution of the City of Gainesville, Florida, relating to the provision and funding of fire services, facilities and programs in the City of Gainesville; providing for the imposition and computation of fire services special assessments; providing for legislative determinations of special benefit and fair apportionment; describing the method of assessing fire services assessed costs against assessed property located within the City of Gainesville; establishing the estimated assessment rate for fire assessments for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018; directing the preparation of an assessment roll; providing for hardship assistance; providing for method of collection; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice thereof; providing for application of assessment proceeds; providing for severability; and providing an immediate effective date.

Karen Fiore made a presentation.

Commissioner Simmons arrived at 1:45 PM.

Deputy Fire Chief Rice spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission: 1) establish a Preliminary Rate of \$101.00 per Net Factored Fire Protection Unit for the Fire Services Special Assessment; 2) set the public hearing on the Annual Rate Resolution at 6:00 pm (or as soon thereafter as may be heard) on September 6, 2018; and 3) adopt the proposed Preliminary Rate Resolution.*

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

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

180130.

Establish a Proposed Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2018-2019(B)

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 2018-2019 fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019; establishing a proposed Millage Rate; computing the rolled back rate; setting a public hearing; providing for notice to the Alachua County Property Appraiser; and providing an immediate effective date.

Karen Fiore and Chris Quinn spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed resolution.*

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

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

180170.

GRU's Fiscal Year 2019 Proposed Budget (B)

Claudia Rasnick made a presentation.

Dino DeLeo and Walter Banks spoke to the matter.

Motion: Add to the July 19, 2018 agenda rate; 2) Bring back 0% increase and 2% pay increase with no layoffs planned in the budget; 3) Bring back dollar amounts for increases at 1%, 5%, etc.

Walter Willard, Ray Hughes, Mark Van Soestbergen and Sheila Payne spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission direct the City Attorney to draft and the Clerk of the Commission to advertise an ordinance to adopt the recommended rates, fees and charges for the Electric, Water, Wastewater and Gas systems.

At their July 12, 2018 meeting, the UAB voted 4-2, with members Alford and Wheeler in dissent, to advise the the City Commission to approve the staff recommendation of a 3.10 increase in electric rates and 2.40% in Wastewater rates.

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

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

180129.**Proposed Tentative General Government Financial and Operating Plan for fiscal year 2018-2019 (B)**

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida; relating to its General Government Budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019; approving the proposed tentative General Financial and Operating Plan; and providing an immediate effective date.

Chris Quinn and Karen Fiore spoke to the matter.

Ray Hughes spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission adopt the proposed resolution.

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

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

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

COMMISSION COMMENT

Motion by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Arreola: Direct staff to contact Nathan Collier regarding the ice skating rink. Motion passed 6-1. Commissioner Warren in dissent.

Motion by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Arreola: Cancel workshop (what workshop and date).

ADJOURNMENT - 5:34 PM

Omichele D. Gainey
Clerk of the Commission