

City of Gainesville

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Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, January 29, 2014

5:00 PM

City Hall Auditorium

Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee

*Mayor Ed Braddy, Chair
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Randy Wells, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

Adopted

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

130657. Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee minutes of November 20, 2013 (B)

The minutes from the November 20, 2013 Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved as circulated.

RECOMMENDATION *The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee approve the minutes as circulated.*

Approved as Recommended

DISCUSSION OF ITEMS

130658. Review of CRA Capital Project Contracts (B)

City Auditor Brent Godshalk gave a brief presentation.

RECOMMENDATION *The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee recommend the City Commission:*
1) Accept the City Auditor's report and the response from the CRA Executive Director; and
2) Instruct the City Auditor to conduct a follow-up review on recommendations made and report the results to the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee.

Approved as Recommended

130659. Review of Payroll System (B)

City Auditor Brent Godshalk reviewed the report and Assistant City Auditor Eileen Marzak responded to questions from the audience. Finance Director Mark Benton provided information as to the implementation of the new payroll system for the Police Department.

RECOMMENDATION *The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee recommend the City Commission:*
1) Accept the City Auditor's report and the response from the City Manager, and

2) *Instruct the City Auditor to conduct a follow-up review on recommendations made and report the results to the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee.*

Approved as Recommended

130547. Audit of GRU (B)

The City Commission referred this issue to the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee during their December 5, 2013 meeting.

On January 29, 2014, the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee met and discussed this item. The Committee received extensive public input focused on numerous issues of concern related to past management practices and business decisions primarily related to the multi-year development and implementation of the Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) between Gainesville Regional Energy Center (GREC), LLC and the City of Gainesville d/b/a Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) dated April 29, 2009 and approved by the City Commission on May 7, 2009. There was also considerable discussion regarding the background and financial impact of the "Equitable Adjustment for Change of Law" agreement dated March 16, 2011.

Committee discussions focused on possible actions that could be taken from a management, legal, financial, policy and control perspective to prevent reoccurrence of the actions involved in implementing the GREC PPA and to positively affect the financial outlook of GRU, especially in the area of energy supply and energy delivery.

Committee members agreed to report to the City Commission on February 6, 2014 a joint recommendation for the City to move forward with an external review focusing primarily on GRU past management practices and business decisions related to the implementation and any amendments to the GREC PPA, and including a forward focus on recommendations having positive financial impacts on GRU energy supply and delivery.

RECOMMENDATION

The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee discuss the item and take appropriate action.

Recommended for Approval, as amended

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT