

City of Gainesville

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



Minutes - Final

Monday, March 31, 2014

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 16

Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee

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

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 PM.

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Adopted

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[130816.](#) Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee minutes of March 5, 2014
(B)

The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting minutes of March 5, 2014 were approved as recommended.

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

Approved as Recommended

DISCUSSION OF ITEMS

[130831.](#) **City of Gainesville Fiscal Year 2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Audited Financial Statements, Auditors' Reports, Auditors' Management Letters and Single Audit Reports (B)**

City Auditor Brent Godshalk gave a brief presentation related to this item and each of the financial reports being presented for review. Mike Patillo, partner with Ernst and Young, provided a presentation and answered questions regarding the financial statements and auditor's report for Gainesville Regional Utilities. Alan Nast, partner with Carr, Riggs and Ingram, provided a presentation and answered questions regarding the financial statements and auditor's reports for General Government. The Committee agreed to recommend City Commission acceptance of all reports and financial statements.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission accept the subject financial report, financial statements, auditors' reports, management letters and single audit reports; and management's written response.*

Approved as Recommended

[130654.](#) Foreclosed and Vacant Property Registry (B)

Staff will present information about foreclosed and vacant property registries.

Code Enforcement Manager Chris Cooper gave a presentation to the Committee on the item. Additional information was provided by Scott Blasie, with Vacant Registry.com. The benefits and enforcement issues were addressed in detail. The item will be retained in Committee to allow management and the City Attorney to return with implementation options.

RECOMMENDATION *The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee hear a presentation from staff on foreclosed and vacant property registries.*

Retained in Committee

[130600.](#)

UF Student Advisory Board (NB)

Student Representatives from the University of Florida addressed the Committee and discussed their interests in the formulation of a UF Student Advisory Board to the City Commission. There was discussion pertaining to the current Advisory Boards in existence that allow student participation. The item will be retained in Committee to allow management and interested students to return with implementation options for an additional Advisory Board or re-organization of the existing Boards which involve student membership.

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

Retained in Committee

[130721.](#)

Personnel & Organizational Structure Committee (NB)

City Auditor Brent Godshalk presented minutes from a previous Personnel and Organizational Committee structure and requested that the legislative portion of the current Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee be realigned under a separate committee to be staffed by management. There was discussion of combining legislative, administrative and organizational referrals into a new committee. The item will be retained in Committee for further discussion.

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

Retained in Committee

[130823.](#)

First Amendment to the FY 2013-2014 General Government Financial and Operating Plan (B)

Budget Coordinator Amy Spitzer provided information pertaining to the recommended Budget Resolution.

RECOMMENDATION *The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee: (1) Review the proposed amendatory budget resolution; and if acceptable, (2) recommend that the City Commission adopt the proposed resolution.*

Approved as Recommended

[130824.](#)

Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Funds Quarterly Monitoring Report - Quarter Ending December 31, 2013 (B)

Finance Director Mark Benton provided information on the item and the projected

General Fund Transfer for Fiscal Year 2014.

RECOMMENDATION *The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee review and recommend that the City Commission receive the quarterly budget monitoring report for the quarter ended December 31, 2013.*

Approved as Recommended

[130833.](#)

GRU Quarterly Financial Report (B)

Chief Financial Officer David Richardson presented an overview of the GRU Quarterly Report. Questions from Committee members and citizens were addressed and the item was approved as recommended.

RECOMMENDATION *The Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee review and recommend that the City Commission accept the GRU Quarterly Financial Report as of December 31, 2013.*

Approved as Recommended

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.