

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

March 21, 2019

1:00 PM

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 - 1:00 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

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ADOPTION OF CONSENT ITEMS - GRU, General Government, Audit & Finance Committee and General Policy Committee Items

Ray Washington, Nathan Skop and Jo Beaty spoke to the matter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Adopted on the Consent Agenda. 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

[180844.](#) **City Commission Minutes (B)**

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission approve the minutes of March 7, 2019.*

Approved as Recommended

[180260.](#) **UF and City Partnership Update(NB)**

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission approve this Time Certain Request for the "The UF and City Partnership Update" to be scheduled as the first agenda item for 1 PM on May 9th.*

Approved as Recommended

[180495.](#) **Purchase of Zoll Cardiac Monitors (B)**

This item requests the City Commission approve the purchase of Zoll Cardiac monitors with designated capital funds for Gainesville Fire Rescue.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission authorize the City Manager or designee to execute a contract with the Zoll Medical Corporation for the purchase of Zoll Monitor/Defibrillators, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.*

Approved as Recommended

[180852.](#)

Joint City Commission - UF Student Government Special Meeting (NB)

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission approve a joint City Commission/UF Student Government special meeting for April 9, 2019, at 7:00pm - Senate Chambers Ground Floor of the Reitz Union.

Approved as Recommended

[180737.](#)

Usage Certificate (B)

This item is a request for approval and authorization to execute and file a Usage Certificate.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission: 1) approve and authorize the Mayor to execute, and the Clerk to attest the Usage Certificates, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality; and 2) authorize the City Manager or his designee to record the Usage Certificates in the Public Records of Alachua County, Florida

Approved as Recommended

[180805.](#)

Human Resources Policy L-8, Military Leave (B)

RECOMMENDATION

Approve revision to Human Resources Policy L-8, Military Leave.

Approved as Recommended

[180782.](#)

Gainesville Regional Utilities Fiscal Year 2018 Audited Financial Statements, Auditors' Reports, and Auditors' Communication to those Charged with Governance and Management (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The Audit and Finance Committee recommends that the City Commission accept the subject financial statements, auditors' reports, auditors' communication to those charged with governance and management, and management's representations.

Approved as Recommended

[180783.](#)

Gainesville Regional Utilities Unaudited Internally Prepared Financial Statements for the Period Ended December 31, 2018 (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The Audit and Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends the City Commission accept the GRU Unaudited Internally Prepared Financial Statements for the period ended December 31, 2018.

Approved as Recommended

[180784.](#)**Gainesville Regional Utilities Internally Prepared Budget to Actuals for the Period Ended December 31, 2018 (B)****RECOMMENDATION**

The Audit and Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends the City Commission accept the GRU Internally Prepared Budget to Actuals for the period ended December 31, 2018.

Approved as Recommended

[180786.](#)**Gainesville Regional Utilities Internally Prepared Supplementary Data for the Period Ended December 31, 2018 (B)****RECOMMENDATION**

The Audit and Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends the City Commission accept the GRU Internally Prepared Supplementary Data for the period ended December 31, 2018.

Approved as Recommended

ADOPTION OF REGULAR AGENDA

Jo Beaty and Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Warren, that this Matter be Adopted. 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

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - For items not on the agenda, limited to 3 minutes per citizen and not to exceed 30 minutes total

*Walter Williard
Erick Smith
Brian Scarborough
Nathan Skop
Karen Arrington
Jo Beaty*

BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS - GRU and General Government items placed on the agenda by the Charter Officers or moved from Consent.[180831.](#)**Appointments to the City Plan Board, Gainesville Human Rights Board and Pension Review Committee (B)**

Motion by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos to appoint Christopher Cleary to the Pension Review Committee. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Commissioner Simmons, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem

Hayes-Santos to appoint Marie Small and Belinda Smith to the Gainesville Human Rights Board. Motion passed 7-0.

James Blythe and Thomas Hawkins introduced themselves for an appointment to the City Plan Board.

Motion by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Simmons to appoint Thomas Hawkins to the City Plan Board. Motion passed 6-1. Commissioner Warren in dissent. Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission interview and appoint members to the City Plan Board, Gainesville Human Rights Board and Pension Review Committee.*

Approved, as shown above

180809.

Plastic Ban Ordinance Education Campaign (B)

Motion: Schedule a financial hardship component discussion for the March 28, 2019 General Policy Committee meeting.

Shelby Taylor made a presentation.

Steve Joplin spoke to the matter.

Deborah Bowie spoke to the matter.

Dan Hoffman spoke to the matter.

Nathan Skop, Walter Williard, Bob Channing and Joanne Auth spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission 1)Hear a presentation by staff regarding the Plastic Ban Ordinance Education Campaign, 2)Discuss and take action deemed necessary and 3)Approve a continuation of the Plastic Ban Ordinance "Hardship" component discussion at the March 28th General Policy Committee Meeting and, at that time, direct staff on the Ordinance implementation.*

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward, 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

180819.

Cash Balance Policy (B)

Amendment: Accept policy, but any changes outside inflationary range should come back to the UAB/City Commission for approval.

Ed Bielarski gave opening remarks.

Claudia Rasnick gave a presentation.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission approve the proposed cash balance*

policy.

At their March 14, 2019 meeting, the UAB voted unanimously to advise the City Commission to accept the staff recommendation.

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Arreola, that this Matter be Approved as Recommended with an Amendment. 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

[180140.](#)

Enterprise Resource Planning Update: Customer Care & Service, Enterprise Asset Management and Advanced Metering Infrastructure (B)

George Demopoulos made a presentation.

Walter Banks spoke to the matter.

Edi Bielarski spoke to the matter.

Chad Barker spoke to the matter.

Carlos Holt spoke to the matter.

Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *Hear update from staff.*

Heard

[160262.](#)

Expand the Use of MIMS Mobile (B)

Darris Friend gave a presentation.

Ed Bielarski spoke to the matter.

George Demopoulos spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission:*

1) authorize the General Manager, or his designee, to execute an amendment to the contract with SSP Innovations recognizing SSP Innovations as specified source provider of MIMS Mobile and related GIS applications, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality; and

2) approve the issuance of purchase orders in amounts not-to-exceed approved budgeted amounts for these services and applications for each year of the contract, subject to the final appropriation of funds

At their March 14, 2019 meeting, the UAB voted unanimously to advise the City Commission to approve the staff recommendation.

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Warren, that this Matter be Approved as Recommended. 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

[180820.](#)

Energy Supply Department of Gainesville Regional Utilities Request to Add Permanent GRU Staff For Direct Operation of the Deerhaven Renewable Plant (NB)

Dino Leo gave a presentation.

Deborah Bowie spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission authorize the creation of thirty-eight full time equivalent positions for staffing the Deerhaven Renewable site.*

At their March 14, 2019 meeting, the UAB voted unanimously to advise the City Commission to approve the staff recommendation.

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Warren, that this Matter be Approved as Recommended. 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

180850.

Mayor Lauren Poe - Memorial Street Name Signs (B)

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Striken From the Agenda. 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

COMMISSION COMMENT

Commissioner Arreola: Open invitation for an upcoming Sunshine Meeting on April 1, 2019 regarding Green New Deal Resolution.

Motion by Commission Warren, seconded by Commissioner Ward - Schedule a

community workshop on landlord issues related to landlords. Clerk to schedule the workshop some time in the summer. Motion Passed 6-0. Commissioner Simmons absent.

Motion by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos: Mayor to write a letter to the University of Florida about the future of the University of Florida/GRU relationship in an educational manner. Motion passed 6-0. Commissioner Simmons absent.

Commissioner Ward: 1) Live streaming of non City Commission meetings and workshops. Deborah Bowie spoke to the matter.

Motion by Commissioner Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Warren. Tree advisory Board make recommended changes to the Tree Ordinance and report back to the City Commission. Motion passed 6-0. Commissioner Simmons absent.

Motion by Mayor-Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Ward: Participate in the International Earth Day Event Lights Out (Communications Department to communicate to the public). Motion passed 6-0. Commissioner Simmons absent.

[180865.](#)

Invite Working Food to Give an Update on what they Have Done in the Last Year and an Outlook for Growing in the Future

RECOMMENDATION *Refer to Committee*

A motion was made by Commissioner Arreola, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Referred to the General Policy Committee, due back on 4/30/2019. 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

[180866.](#)

Invite Gainesville Modern to Give a Presentation on How we can Utilize City Ordinance to Protect our Historic Buildings

RECOMMENDATION *Refer to Committee*

A motion was made by Commissioner Arreola, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Referred to the General Policy Committee, due back on 4/30/2019. 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

[180867.](#)

Future of the University of Florida/GRU Relationship in an Educational Manner - Explain the Process

RECOMMENDATION *Refer to Committee*

A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Referred to the General Policy Committee, due back on 4/30/2019. 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

[180868.](#)

How to Engage the Advisory Boards and Committees

RECOMMENDATION *Refer to Committee*

A motion was made by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Referred to the General Policy Committee, due back on 4/30/2019. 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

RECESS - 4:35 PM

RECONVENE - 5:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS/SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

[180825.](#)

Special Recognition for the City of Gainesville (B)

Scott Koons spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission hear the Special Recognition.*

Heard

[180826.](#)

Jenn Garrett Day - March 21, 2019 (B)

Jenn Garrett accepted the proclamation.

RECOMMENDATION *Jenn Garrett to accept the proclamation.*

Heard

[180827.](#)

The Repurpose Project, E. Stanley Richardson and ARTSPEAKS, Leslie

Tharp and Lucinda Lavelli Day - March 21, 2019 (B)

Commissioner Simmons arrived at 5:39 PM.

E. Stanley Richardson, Leslie Tharp and Lucinda Lavelli accepted the proclamation.

RECOMMENDATION *Repurpose Project Founder Sarah Goff, E. Stanley Richardson and ARTSPEAKS Founder E. Stanley Richardson, Artist Leslie Tharp and UF College of the Arts Dean Emerita Lucinda Lavelli to accept the proclamation.*

Heard

[180828.](#)

Sara Charbonnet, Ginger Stanford, Annie Hersmansen-Baez, Michael Andreu, Tyler Carney, Katherine Ewel, Gary Paul and Howard and Linda Jelks Day - March 21, 2019 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *Star Volunteer Tyler Carney, Katherine Ewel, Howard and Lisa Jelks and Gary Paul and Star Good Neighbor Kids in the Woods Annie Hermansen Baez, Sara Charbonnett, Ginger Stanford and Michael Andreu to accept the proclamation.*

Heard

[180829.](#)

Greater Duval Neighborhood Association, Working Food and Dustin Jurian Day - March 21, 2019 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *Greater Duval Neighborhood Association Volunteer Andrew Miles, Working Food Volunteer Melissa DeSa and Sara Sterling and Coach Dustin Jurian to accept the proclamation.*

Heard

[180830.](#)

Taiwanese American Heritage Week - May 26 - June 2, 2019 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *Formosa Association for Student Cultural Ambassadors Ms. Ching-Jung "Ginger" Lin and Formosan Association for Public Affairs Ms. Carol Kavalan to accept the proclamation.*

Heard

[180843.](#)

MLK 51st Assassination Anniversary Day - April 4, 2019 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission President and Founder Rodney J. Long to accept the proclamation.*

Heard

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - For items not on the agenda, limited to 3 minutes per citizen and not to exceed 30 minutes total

*Wilbur Holloway
Debbie Martinez
Nathan Skop
Mark Goldstein
Tamara Robbins*

Gabe Hillel
 Bob Chaney
 Mark Van Soestbergen
 Donald Shepherd
 Ernesto Martinez

RESOLUTIONS - ROLL CALL REQUIRED

180818.

Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of City of Gainesville Utility System Revenue Bonds 2019 Series C (B)

Ed Bielarski gave opening remarks.

Mark Benton made a presentation.

Mike Weiner spoke to the matter.

Mary Alford spoke to her recollection of the UAB's recommendation.

Claudia Rasnick spoke to the matter.

Carlos Holt spoke to the matter.

Mary Alford, Nathan Skop, Mark Goldstein, Wilbur Holloway, Debbie Martinez, Donald Shepherd, Ray Washington, Jo Beaty, Ernesto Martinez, Harold Saive, Nancy Daren and Tamara Robbins spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission approve the Thirty-First Supplemental Utilities System Revenue Bond resolution and thereby approve the issuance and sale of the 2019 Series C Bonds to the underwriters and approve the form of the Bond Purchase Agreement, Preliminary Official Statement, Continuing Disclosure Agreement, Tender Agency Agreement, Reimbursement Agreement and Fee Letter and Remarketing Agreement and authorize the execution and delivery thereof, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

At their March 14, 2019 meeting, the UAB voted 5-2 to advise the City Commission to accept the staff recommendation.

Members Mary Alford and Michael Selvester were in dissent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, 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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDINANCES, 2ND READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED

ORDINANCES, 1ST READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED**180614.****Voluntary Annexation - 20.74 Acres along SW 20th Avenue (B)**

Ordinance No. 180614

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, annexing approximately 20.74 acres of privately-owned property that is generally located south and west of Sugarfoot Oaks Subdivision, north of SW 20th Avenue, and east of parcel number 06677-003-000, 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 Clerk of the Commission; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

Megan Echols gave a presentation.

Nathan Skop and Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Simmons, that this Matter be Adopted on First Reading (Ordinance). 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

180669.**Quasi-Judicial - Rezoning 3.02 acres located on the east side of the 400 and 500 blocks of NW 13th Street and the west side of the 400 block of NW 12th Drive (B)**

Ordinance No. 180669

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Zoning Map Atlas by rezoning approximately 3.02 acres of property generally located on the east side of the 400 and 500 blocks of NW 13th Street and the west side of the 400 block of NW 12th Drive, as more specifically described in this ordinance, from Urban 6 (U6) to Urban 8 (U8); providing directions to the City Manager; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

Florence Buaku made a presentation.

Clay Sweger made a presentation.

Greg Stetz made comments.

Donald Shepherd and Tamara Robbins spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

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

Aye: 5 - Mayor Poe, Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Simmons, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Arreola, and Commissioner Johnson

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*Nathan Skop
Debbie Martinez
Tamara Robbins
Donald Shepherd
Ernesto Martinez*

Commissioner Ward left the meeting at 9:16 PM.

COMMISSION COMMENT

Motion: The City join the Government Alliance on Race and Equity.

Debbie Martinez, Nathan Skop, Jo Beaty, Tamara Robbins, Ernesto Martinez and Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Hayes-Santos, that this Matter be Approved as Shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Ward

ADJOURNMENT - ??