

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Agenda - Final

December 10, 2020

1:00 PM

City Hall Auditorium

General Policy Committee

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Reina Saco (At Large)
Commissioner Gail Johnson (At Large)
Commissioner Gigi Simmons (District 1)
Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem David Arreola (District 3)
Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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CALL TO ORDER - 1:00 PM**ROLL CALL****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS****200352. Federal Legislative Agenda Priorities 2021(B)**

Explanation: The purpose of this agenda item is to review the draft list of suggested Federal Legislative priorities and Departmental/Charter requests for agency program funding support during 2021, and decide the City's Federal Legislative Priorities prior to the start of the new Federal Legislative cycle.

Fiscal Note: None.

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee review and discuss the draft list of Federal Legislative items and establish the 2021 Federal Legislative priorities for our federal lobbying team.*

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[200352_PPT Gainesville 12 2020_20201210.pdf](#)

200494. Economic Outlook and First Community CDC (B)

RECOMMENDATION *Refer to Committee*

[200494_GRU_GM_Economic_Outlook_Discussion_20201210](#)

[200494_YouTube_Presentation_20201210.pdf](#)

200560. Commissioner Gigi Simmons - Health Equity and Access Advisory Group Update (B)

Explanation: Beginning in early 2020, a group of community stakeholders have been meeting to discuss ways to improve access points and expand health care services in east Gainesville and eastern Alachua County. Led by Commissioner Gigi Simmons, this group is known as the Health Equity & Access Advisory Group. Its participants include members from Santa Fe College, the University of Florida, UF Health, UF HealthStreet, the

Community Foundation of North Central Florida, private healthcare providers and city staff.

To date, the group has reviewed existing health care data from the Alachua County Community Health Assessment (CHA) and other sources in order to better understand the existing health disparities within the community, conducted policy research on public health partnerships, and most recently organized a community health survey to seek input on the priority health care issues for residents of east Gainesville and eastern Alachua County.

It is envisioned that this ongoing collaborative effort help define specific actions and areas of focus for health-related issues in east Gainesville.

RECOMMENDATION

As part of its strategic plan, the Gainesville City Commission has prioritized health care access and equity. With no free-standing clinics (other than the Alachua County Health Department), urgent care centers or emergency rooms in District 1, it is the desire of the Health Equity and Access Advisory Group that the commission focus its attention first on east Gainesville by utilizing the findings of the Health Equity and Access survey to develop the most appropriate next steps and what role the city can play moving forward. With active involvement from the community, service providers and partners, the city is well-positioned to improve health care services and outcomes for the nearly 35,000 residents living in District 1.

[200560A_Alachua County Health Assessment Data Maps_2020.pdf](#)

[200560B_Health Care Survey.pdf](#)

[200560C_Executive Summary.pdf](#)

[200560D_Gainesville Sun Op-Ed Health Care Article Commissioner Simmons.](#)

[200560_Health Equity and Access Advisory Group Presentation_Final_202012.](#)

200585.

Disadvantaged Workers Ordinance (B)

General Policy Committee to review draft ordinance and provide feedback.

Explanation: Journey level construction workers are retiring in numbers greater than the number of applicants to replace those workers, creating shortages of skilled construction workers. The construction industry is facing severe shortage of craft labor skills. The lack of properly trained, qualified workers poses a challenge to future capital improvement projects.

The City has a proprietary interest in developing a skilled workforce for its future capital improvement projects. The shortage of craft labor skills is a challenge for the City and its capital improvements projects. To address

the issue, the City must create a system through which disadvantaged workers can be properly trained in construction skills. To this end, the City Commission has determined that City-contracted construction projects present a significant opportunity to promote and sustain employment of disadvantaged workers in the construction trades.

The City Manager and General Manager for Utilities have worked with their procurement staffs to develop a draft ordinance for further guidance and decision making from the City Commission.

Fiscal Note: None.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Motion: The General Policy Committee: 1) review draft ordinance and 2) give further guidance on how to move forward with the ordinance as drafted.

[200585_Disadvantaged Workers Ordinance 2020-12-03_20201210.pdf](#)

[200586.](#)

Apprenticeship Ordinance (B)

General Policy Committee to review draft ordinance and provide feedback.

Explanation: Journey Level construction workers are retiring in greater numbers than the number of applicants who are available to replace them, which in turn is creating a shortage of skilled construction workers. The shortage of skilled workers with craft labor skills poses a serious challenge not only to the City and its capital improvement projects, but to the economic health of the community as a whole.

The City recognizes that organized, formal apprenticeship training programs are an effective means of providing training and experience to individuals in construction skills and safety procedures. To this end, the City Commission has determined that City-contracted construction projects present a significant opportunity to promote and sustain employment of apprentices in the construction trades.

The City Manager and General Manager for Utilities have worked with their Procurement staff to develop a draft ordinance for further guidance and decision making from the City Commission.

Fiscal Note: None.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Motion: The General Policy Committee: 1) review draft ordinance and 2) give further guidance on how to move forward with the ordinance as drafted.

[200586_Apprenticeship Ordinance 2020-12-03_20201210.pdf](#)

MEMBER COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

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