

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Draft

August 27, 2020

1:00 PM

Virtual Teleconference Meeting

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 - 1:01 PM

ROLL CALL

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[200153.](#)

Approval of Minutes from the March 12, and August 13, 2020 General Policy Committee Meetings (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee approve the minutes of March 12, and August 13, 2020.*

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that this Matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

[200212.](#)

Youth Development and Services (B)

Motion: Schedule a series of workshops, concentrating on the Youth Development Policy. Motion passed unanimously.

Lee Feldman, City Manager spoke to the matter.

Discussion

- *Have a series of workshops inviting organizations and members of the community (i.e., BOOST, School Board, Youthbuild, Reichert House, etc.) and find out what role do they see the city*

playing in achieving these goals, and how do we support them in achieving their goals.

- *Each workshop should have the right focus.*
- *One of the workshops should have a discussion on literacy rates of 3rd graders.*
- *Have break-out rooms at the workshops.*
- *Mayor will bring back a schedule to the Commission with suggested topics and partners.*
- *Schedule 3-4 workshops.*

Rev. Dr. Moon, Demetri, Dedra Hauchen, Kate Lee, Nathan Skop, Kali Blount, Elizabeth Townsend, Alfredo Morales, Marina Sacs, Connie Dukle, Kareem, Chanae Jackson, Ashley Young and Natalia spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee discuss and take action, as necessary.

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

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

200213.

Youth Activities (NB)

Lee Feldman spoke to After School Program and playgrounds.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee discuss.

Discussed

200214.

Transitional Employment (B)

Motion: Move this research to a Youth Development Policy workshop for a discussion with our community partners.

Zeriah Folston, Policy Administrator gave a presentation.

Morgan Spicer, Fellow gave a presentation.

Rev. Dr. Moon spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee discuss.*

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

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

200243.

Budget Planning Meeting (B)

Motion: Authorize the City Manager to fund the city's portion of the Central Receiving Facility contribution.

Karen Fiore, Budget Manager gave a presentation.

Lee Feldman spoke to the matter.

Andrew Welton, Eli Barrett, Brian O'Brien, Demetri Mano and Hannah spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission hear presentations from staff and take action as appropriate.*

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

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

ADJOURNMENT - 4:29 PM