

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

March 15, 2017

3:00 PM

MODIFIED AGENDA

City Hall Auditorium

Utility Advisory Board

*Annie Orlando
Darin Cook
David Denslow
Robert Walpole
Mary Alford
Sandra Campbell
Michael Selvester*

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CALL TO ORDER**ROLL CALL****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****APPROVAL OF MINUTES**[160847.](#)**Minutes of the 02-15-17 UAB Meeting (B)****RECOMMENDATION** *Approve minutes as drafted.*[160847 UAB 02-15-17 Meeting Minutes 20170315](#)**CITIZEN COMMENT****STATE OF THE UTILITY**[160845.](#)**GRU Operational Update for February 2017 (B)****RECOMMENDATION** *Receive information and metrics regarding GRU's operations.*[160845 UAB Operational Data - 2017Feb 20170315](#)[160846.](#)**GREC Update (NB)****RECOMMENDATION** *Receive update from staff.***OLD BUSINESS**[160747.](#)**GRU Bills (B)**

Explanation: In a discussion of rate structures at the February 1, 2017 subcommittee meeting, the subject arose of stormwater and garbage being included on GRU customers' bills. As those two services are provided by General Government and not GRU, there is concern that customers don't realize that they are not part of their total energy bill. The members who were present agreed to have a discussion with the full Board on whether these services should be included on GRU's bills or billed through some other avenue.

RECOMMENDATION *Discuss.*

[160747 Sample Bill 2016Dec 20170215](#)

[160745.](#)

Visit Rate Structures for Both Relief and Economic Opportunity (B)

Explanation: At their February 1, 2015 subcommittee meeting, the board members who were present discussed this item from their Commission-approved priority list. After discussion and input from staff, they agreed to bring a recommendation back to the full Board to postpone study of residential electric rates until a future date and to proceed with study of non-residential electric rate structures. They asked staff to give a presentation to the full Board on GRU's present electric rate structure.

RECOMMENDATION 1) Hear a presentation from staff
 2) Vote on whether to focus only on
 non-residential electric rate structures at this time.

[160745 Overview of Electric Rates 20170215](#)

NEW BUSINESS

[160860.](#)

Professional Services Agreement for Implementation of Remedial Action Plan Modification at Former Gainesville Manufactured Gas Plant Site (Depot Park) (B)

Explanation: From the 1880's to about 1950, Gainesville Gas Company operated a manufactured gas plant (MGP) on a site at the intersection of SE 1st Street and Depot Avenue. The plant processed coal into coal gas for residential and commercial purposes. Improper disposal of waste generated by the MGP operations (coal tar) and leaky petroleum tanks created soil contamination on the MGP site (Poole Roofing) and adjacent properties (Depot Park). When the City of Gainesville (GRU) purchased the gas company in 1990, they inherited its associated environmental liabilities. In preparation for remediation of the environmental impacts, GRU contracted with Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc. (ECT) for assessment and characterization of the contamination and to develop a remediation plan for the site.

The remediation plan that was approved by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) called for the installation of wells to monitor the site following active remediation. The first four quarters of monitoring recognized that the data are insufficient to demonstrate any statistically significant trend; therefore, a revised remediation plan has been prepared that will allow for the collection of additional data. FDEP has conceptually agreed to the proposed remediation plan with the condition of the installation of an additional monitoring well that would

help during assessment.

A professional services contract is being extended to Environmental Consulting & Technology (ECT) as a source-justified vendor based on their extensive knowledge of the MGP site and the remediation project's phases of planning, environmental permitting, engineering, contaminated material excavation and disposal, as well as post active remediation compliance monitoring. This scope of work includes, but is not necessarily limited to, the planning, design, and construction of the additional monitoring well, and two (2) years of groundwater sampling and laboratory analyses. A copy of the proposed contract and ECT's scope of work and proposal are attached for reference.

Fiscal Note: The Professional Services Agreement is proposed to be awarded to ECT in the amount of \$160,250.40 over the next three (3) fiscal years. Funds for this work have been included in the monies borrowed for the Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) Remediation Project. In 2003, the Gas System implemented a cost recovery factor to fund the remediation project. Since that time, the recovery factor has been applied to retail customers' bills, based on their gas usage. The recovery factor is subject to change depending on the on-going costs associated with the site remediation.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Commission: 1) authorize the General Manager or his designee to execute a contract with Environmental Consulting & Technology (ECT), subject to approval of the City Attorney, for the installation of a groundwater monitoring well and groundwater sampling and laboratory analysis; 2) approve the issuance of a purchase order to ECT for the work in the amount of \$160,250.40.

[160860 Draft ECT Prof Svcs Agreement 20170315](#)

[160860 ECT Proposal Attachment C 20173015](#)

[160843.](#)

Florida House Bill 759 (B)

Explanation: At their February 15, 2017 regular meeting, the Board requested to discuss HB 759.

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss.

[160843 HB 759 Governance 20170315](#)

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

April 19, 2017

ADJOURNMENT