

# **City of Gainesville**

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



## **Meeting Agenda - Final**

**October 24, 2017**

**1:30 PM**

**City Commission Special Meeting**

**Gainesville Regional Utilities Multi-Purpose Room**

## **City Commission**

***Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)***

***Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Harvey Budd (At Large)***

***Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)***

***Commissioner Charles Goston (District 1)***

***Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)***

***Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)***

***Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)***

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**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****AGENDA STATEMENT**

*"Citizens are encouraged to participate in City of Gainesville meetings. In general, speakers will be limited to 3 (three) minutes per agenda item. Additional time may be granted by the Mayor or by the City Commission as directed. The City of Gainesville encourages civility in public discourse and requests that speakers limit their comments to specific motions and direct their comments to the Chair. Signs or Props are not permitted in the meeting room. Citizens are encouraged to provide comments in writing to the Clerk of the Commission before meetings and/or during meetings for inclusion into the public record. Citizens may also provide input to individual commissioners via office visits, phone calls, letters and e-Mail, that will become public record. In some instances, i.e., Quasi-Judicial Hearings, these particular contacts may be prohibited.*

**ROLL CALL**[170478.](#)**Team Building Retreat (NB)**

*Explanation: A teambuilding retreat is planned for the City Commission, Charter Officers and Department Directors on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 from 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM at the GRU Administration Building's Multipurpose Room. The retreat will be facilitated by two professionals from the University of Florida, with the goal of improving alignment, communication and effectiveness throughout the organization. In order to accomplish this goal, participants will complete the "StrengthsFinder" assessment, prior to the session, and bring their top 5 results with them for discussion. The StrengthsFinder is a tool for individuals to learn more about their unique set of talents. During this session, the City Commission, Charter Officers and Department Directors will learn how focusing on each other's strengths leads to a collaborative environment, through interactive discussions on understanding and appreciating each other's strengths and applying those strengths in a team setting.*

*A follow up retreat is scheduled for Tuesday, November 21st to further link a strengths and team-based approach to organizational strategy, planning and execution.*

*Fiscal Note: None*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The City Commission participate in a Teambuilding Retreat.*

**ADJOURNMENT**