

# City of Gainesville

City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601



## **Meeting Agenda - Final**

**May 7, 2020**

**5:00 PM**

**Virtual Teleconference Meeting**

## **City Commission**

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

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## Welcome to the City Commission meeting!

We're glad you're here. Please review the meeting process and how you can participate.

**What is the Meeting Agenda?** The City Commission makes policies and conducts the city's business in an open and transparent forum. The agenda is an outline of what will happen during the meeting. It includes the following sections:

**Adoption of Consent Agenda (CA):** The Consent Agenda is a group of business items that are voted on together in one motion. These items are not discussed separately. The Commission may remove an item to discuss it during the meeting or at a later meeting.. This process saves time for the Commission to discuss items on the Regular Agenda.

**Adoption of Regular Agenda:** The Commission must approve the order of items on the Regular Agenda, which is the list of items set for discussion. The Commission can also re-order or remove items.

The **(B)** after an item's title means that there are materials, called Backup, in support of the item. Click the links on the agenda to view the documents. An **(NB)** after an item's title means there are no Backup materials for the item.

**How to Share Your Opinion.** Your opinion is important to the City Commission. There are multiple ways to add a comment to the official record.

**Submit Written Public Comment:** You may write a public comment on any City Commission Meeting agenda item. Visit our website, [www.cityofgainesville.org](http://www.cityofgainesville.org), and go to the "Agendas & Minutes" tab. Click on the "eComment" link in the right-hand column. Written comment opens when the agenda is published the Friday before the meeting and closes one (1) hour before the start of the meeting. Your comments will be sent to the City Commissioners and added to the official record.

**Speak at a Public Meeting:** Any member of the public may sign up to speak at a City Commission meeting. Visit our website, [www.cityofgainesville.org](http://www.cityofgainesville.org), and go to the "Agendas & Minutes" tab on our website. Click on the "eComment" link in the right-hand column and register to speak on a specific agenda item. Online registration closes one (1) hour before the meeting is called to order. You may also register on the sign-up sheet in the Auditorium before the meeting begins. Speakers will be called to the podium by name and should address their comments to the Chair of the meeting, usually the Mayor. There are two types of public comment during Commission Meetings:

**General Public Comment:** The public is invited to speak to the Commission for three (3) minutes about any topic, as long as it is not on the Agenda. This is an opportunity to bring up new ideas or issues to the Commission. Each person may speak during one comment period: at the start of the 1pm session, at the start of the 5:30pm session, or at the end of the meeting. The Commission will not discuss or make decisions on ideas presented during this time. Comments may be referred to City staff for follow up.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** The Commission may request public comment on specific agenda items during discussion. Speakers may have three (3) minutes and comments must stay focused on the agenda topic at hand.

**Early Public Comment:** The Commission has created Early Public Comment to allow community members to speak on agenda items without waiting for the item to be called during the meeting. Speaking at Early Public Comment waives the right to speak later during the meeting. Members of the public may speak for three (3) minutes on one agenda item or five (5) minutes on two or more items. Speakers should begin their comments by announcing which items they are addressing so the timeclock can be set properly.

The City of Gainesville encourages civil public speech. Disruptive behavior is not permitted during City Commission meetings. Please do not bring food, drinks, props, signs, posters, or similar materials into the Auditorium. Cheering and applause are only permitted during the Proclamations/Special Recognitions portion of the meeting.

**We look forward to a productive meeting and are glad you have joined us.**

**5:00pm - CALL TO ORDER****AGENDA STATEMENT**

*"Individuals are encouraged to participate in City of Gainesville meetings. In general, speakers will be limited to 3 minutes for general public comment once during the meeting. Speakers who wish to participate in early public comment will be limited to 3 minutes to speak on one agenda item or 5 minutes if they wish to speak on several agenda items. If speakers do not participate in early public comment, speakers will be limited to 3 minutes per agenda item. The City of Gainesville encourages civility in public discourse and requests that speakers direct their comments to the Chair. Signs, props and posters are not permitted in the meeting room."*

**ROLL CALL****INVOCATION****CA ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (CA) - GRU, General Government, Audit & Finance Committee and General Policy Committee Items****CA-1 [191185.](#) Approval of Minutes from the February 26, March 5, March 16, April 16, April 23, and April 27, 2020 City Commission Meetings (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission approve the February 26, March 5, March 16, April 16, April 23, and April 27, 2020 minutes.*

[191185 February 26 Minutes 20200507.pdf](#)

[191185\(A\) March 5, 2020 Minutes 20200507.pdf](#)

[191185\(B\) March 16, 2020 Minutes 20200507.pdf](#)

[191185\(C\) April 16, 2020 Minutes 20200507.pdf](#)

[191185\(D\) April 23, 2020 Minutes 20200507.pdf](#)

[191185\(E\) April 27, 2020 Minutes 20200507.pdf](#)

**CA-2 [191172.](#) City Commission Special Meeting - Discuss City Charter Review Commission Proposed Amendments (NB)**

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The City Commission approve a special meeting to discuss CCRC proposed amendments scheduled for May 11, 2020 at 5:00 PM.*

**CA-3 [191186.](#) 2021 Election Dates (NB)**

*Explanation: Alachua County Public Schools Spring Break - March 22 - 26, 2021  
University of Florida Spring Break - March 8 - 12, 2021  
Santa Fe College Spring Break - March 8 - 13, 2021*

*Fiscal Note: N/A*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The City Commission: 1) select March 9, 2021 for the City Commission Election, with early voting February 27-March 6, 2021; and April 20, 2021 for Run-Off Election (if needed) with early voting April 10-17, 2021 (if needed). 2) direct the City Attorney to draft and the Clerk to advertise an ordinance setting these election dates (per Sec. 9-2(b) of the City Code, this Ordinance must be adopted by July 1).*

CA-4      [191100.](#)

**Investment Performance Reports for the City of Gainesville Operating Fund, General Employees' Pension Fund, Police Officers' and Firefighters' Pension Fund, Retiree Health Insurance Trust Fund, and Evergreen Cemetery Trust (B)**

*Explanation: The Pensions & Investments staff submit the following City Fund and Trust investment performance reports to the Audit and Finance Committee for review.*

- 1) City Operating Fund Investment Performance Report through 1/31/2020*
- 2) Gainesville General Employees' Pension Plan Investment Performance Report for 12/31/2019*
- 3) Gainesville Police Officers' & Firefighters' Pension Plan Investment Performance Report for 12/31/2019*
- 4) Gainesville Retiree Health Insurance Trust Fund Investment Performance Report for 12/31/2019*
- 5) Evergreen Cemetery Trust Annual Investment Performance Report for 09/30/2019 (Annual Fiscal Year Reports are prepared for this Trust)*

*Fiscal Note: Expected fiscal year 2020 investment returns for these City Funds and Trusts are included in the City's FY2020 Budget.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*City Commission accept the submitted investment performance reports which were reviewed and recommended for approval via the Audit and Finance Committee.*

**Legislative History**

3/11/20	Audit and Finance Committee	Approved as Recommended
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[191100A\\_20191231\\_Gainesville\\_General\\_Pension\\_Investment\\_Summary\\_Report](#)  
[191100B\\_20191231\\_Gainesville\\_Police\\_&\\_Fire\\_Pension\\_Investment\\_Summary\\_Re](#)  
[191100C\\_20191231\\_Retiree\\_Health\\_Fund\\_Investment\\_Summary\\_Report\\_202003](#)  
[191100D\\_20200131\\_Gainesville\\_SBA\\_Prime\\_Fund\\_Account\\_Yield\\_Report\\_202003](#)  
[191100E\\_FY19\\_Evergreen\\_Cemetery\\_Trust\\_Investment\\_Report\\_20200311.pdf](#)

CA-5      [190112.](#)

**Authorization for the Construction of Unity Park, Renovation of the Flatwoods Conservation Area Trailhead and Demolition of NE 31st Avenue Park (B)**

This item is a request for the City Commission to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price in the amount of \$1,043,721 for the construction of Unity Park, renovation of the Flatwoods Conservation Area Trailhead and demolition of NE 31st Avenue Park with AKEA, Inc.

*Explanation: NE 31st Avenue Park is an unsightly park in Gainesville. It is currently located under a high voltage (169KV) GRU transmission line which was installed in the 1970s. It is believed that this park was constructed in the late 1960s and many pieces of equipment on site such as the merry-go-round and swing sets appear to be original. GRU offered to provide three (3) acres, approximately 200' west of the park's existing location, to construct a new neighborhood park if, as part of the project, all vertical structures that are currently under the high voltage GRU transmission line were removed. Modern regulations do not allow for vertical structures (pavilions, playground equipment, shade sails, trees, etc.) to be constructed under a high voltage transmission line which limits future improvements at the existing park's location. Wild Spaces & Public Places in conjunction with the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department felt that the demolition of NE 31st Avenue Park and the creation of a new park, Unity Park, nearby is in the best interest of the neighbors of Gainesville.*

*Due to the proximity of NE 31st Avenue Park to Flatwoods Conservation Area Trailhead, staff felt that it was appropriate to renovate the trailhead while contractors were mobilized to the area to save on costs. \$30,000 for the Flatwoods Conservation Area Trailhead renovation project was approved by the City Commission in October of 2019.*

*AKEA, Inc. is one of the City's approved construction management firms for small projects (under \$2M). AKEA, Inc. is a local, minority, certified service-disabled veteran owned small business. AKEA, Inc. has experience facilitating similar projects.*

*The Wild Spaces & Public Places program recommends authorizing this contract to AKEA, Inc. in the amount of \$1,043,721 so that neighbors in Carol Estates and the surrounding area can have a park that they are*

proud of. The project will be funded through the Wild Spaces & Public Places ½ cent sales tax.

*Fiscal Note:* Funds in the amount of \$1,043,721 are available for the construction of Unity Park, renovation of the Flatwoods Conservation Area Trailhead and demolition of NE 31st Avenue Park; \$210,000 from the NE 31st Avenue Park WSPP ½ cent sales tax account, \$803,721 from the WSPP unobligated fund balance, and \$30,000 from the Flatwoods Conservation Area Trailhead WSPP ½ cent sales tax account. Please note that the GFWC Gainesville Woman's Club donated \$10,000 towards this project.

The increase in annual operating and maintenance expenses as a result of this project is estimated at \$3,000/year. This increment addresses the cost of additional trash removal, playground safety mulch, basketball court painting, water for plant establishment, etc.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The City Commission: 1) approve the project task; and 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all contract documents and other necessary documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

**Legislative History**

8/15/19 City Commission Approved as Recommended

[190112F\\_Unity\\_Park\\_AKEA\\_Inc\\_CM\\_Exhibits\\_20200402](#)

[190112G\\_Unity\\_Park\\_Estimate\\_GMP\\_20200402](#)

[190112H\\_AKEA\\_Fully\\_Executed\\_Master\\_Agreement\\_20200402](#)

[190112I\\_Continuing\\_CM\\_General\\_Terms\\_and\\_Conditions\\_20200402](#)

[190112J\\_18.39.0\\_Unity\\_Park\\_90PercPermitSet\\_20200402](#)

CA-6 [190938.](#)

**Approval of the Regional Transit System Equal Employment Opportunity Program (B)**

This item is a request to approve updates to the Regional Transit System (RTS) Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Program.

*Explanation:* Triennially, recipients of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) financial assistance must demonstrate that the appropriate governing entity has reviewed and approved their EEO program; the RTS EEO Program was submitted to the FTA by the March 1, 2020 deadline for review and approval. In March, RTS received feedback from the FTA requesting minor updates and additional information be added to the RTS EEO program with memorialization of approval by the City Commission. The detailed comments from FTA are included in the back-up along with the updated RTS EEO program.

EEO is a federal statute that provides that no person shall, on the

grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. The requirements for each recipient are dependent on whether they are a state entity, Metropolitan Planning Organization, or transit provider. RTS must meet the requirements of transit providers that are located in an Urbanized Area of less than 200,000 people.

The costs for the EEO program are largely dependent on the extent to which RTS must advertise for employment opportunities, address internal job-related complaints, provide staff training related to EEO, ensure that contractors comply with federal wage mandates, monitor and pay for staff promotions within the organization, and disseminate public information to comply with existing laws. The City of Gainesville's existing policies and procedures meet or exceed the FTA EEO program requirements.

*Fiscal Note:* All aforementioned costs associated with implementing the EEO Program are budgeted and available in the RTS annual operating budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**            The City Commission approve the Regional Transit System (RTS) Equal Employment Opportunity Program.

**Legislative History**

2/20/20            City Commission            Approved as Recommended

[190938A\\_RTS EEO Program 2019\\_20200220](#)

[190938B\\_Updated RTS EEO Program 2019\\_20200507](#)

[190938C\\_FTA Review Checklist\\_20200507](#)

CA-7            [191138.](#)

**Continuing Services Contracts for Citywide Sidewalk, Trails and Minor Roadway Construction (B)**

This item is a request for the City Commission to approve the ranking of Construction firms, and to authorize contracts for citywide sidewalk, trails and minor roadway construction services.

*Explanation:* On January 28, 2020, the City's Procurement Division solicited written statements of qualifications to provide citywide sidewalk, trails and minor roadway construction for minor projects (RFQ No. DOMX-200017-SG). Six (6) construction firms submitted statements on February 25, 2020.

*This solicitation was broadcasted and notified 499 suppliers (including 12 supplemental suppliers), the solicitation received 20 plan holders, of which six providers submitted proposals by the deadline (2/25/2020). Evaluation of the written and technical submittals resulted in the qualifying of all six (6) of the construction firms that responded.*

The evaluators ranked the firms as follows:

1. Charles Perry Partners Inc.
2. Scherer Construction
3. Hicks Seal Coating and Striping LLC.
4. BBI Construction Management Inc.
5. Blackwater Construction Services
6. TSI Disaster Recovery LLC.

*Fiscal Note:* Funding shall be available and identified as needed for the individual project accounts for which the Project Managers are assigned. Funds utilized could include the City's Capital Improvement Plan capital projects accounts and Transportation Mobility Program Area accounts.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The City Commission: 1) accept the selection of the six top ranked firms in the order of ranking; and 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all necessary contract documents with the six top ranked firms per the RFQ for citywide sidewalk, trails and minor roadway construction services, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

[191138A DOMX-200017 Award Recommendation 20200416](#)

CA-8 [191180.](#)

**Approval of the Regional Transit System Substance Abuse Management Policy (B)**

This item is a request to approve updates to the Regional Transit System (RTS) Substance Abuse Management Policy.

*Explanation:* The Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991 (OTETA) directed the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) to promulgate regulations outlining the procedures for transportation workplace drug and alcohol testing. The USDOT regulations titled, "Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing" are codified as 49 CFR Part 40. The regulations ensure uniform practices for specimen collections, laboratory analysis, medical review, result reporting and the Return-to-Duty process for violating employees. The regulations are applicable to safety-sensitive employees in transportation workplaces throughout the nation (transit, railroad, aviation, commercial drivers, etc.).

The OTETA also directed each transportation administration to craft



*industry-specific regulations that define which employees are subject to testing, the testing circumstances, policy statement requirements and training requirements, relevant to that industry. Regional Transit System is required to comply with both the USDOT regulations described above, as well as the Federal Transit Administration regulations "Prevention of Prohibited Drug Use and Alcohol Misuse in Transit Operations" which are codified as 49 CFR Part 655.*

*This policy and the USDOT/FTA testing program apply to all safety-sensitive Regional Transit System employees. The policy also applies to volunteers who are required to hold a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) and volunteers that receive remuneration in excess of actual expenses accrued while carrying out assigned duties. Adherence to this policy and the USDOT/FTA testing program is a condition of employment in a safety-sensitive position with Transit Agency.*

*Recipients of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and/or United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) financial assistance must demonstrate that the appropriate governing entity has reviewed and approved their Substance Abuse Management (SAM) Policy. Earlier this year, RTS underwent a routine audit from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). During this audit, it was discovered that the RTS SAM Policy was based on the previous version of the FDOT template and needed minor updates based on changes to the regulations. The RTS SAM Policy has been updated using the most current policy template disseminated by FDOT that was reviewed and approved by FTA in November 2018. The updated RTS SAM Policy must be approved by the City Commission and resubmitted to FDOT.*

*Fiscal Note: All aforementioned costs associated with implementing the Regional Transit System Substance Abuse Management Policy are budgeted and available in the RTS annual operating budget.*

**RECOMMENDATION**            *The City Commission approve the Regional Transit System Substance Abuse Management Policy.*

[191180A Draft RTS SAM Policy 20200507](#)

**CA-9**            [191181.](#)

**Request to Host & Participate in a Strategic Planning Workshop (NB)**

This is a request for the City Commission to approve hosting and participating in a workshop on June 2 and June 3, 2020 to discuss strategic planning priorities.

*Explanation: During this strategic planning workshop, the desired outcomes include: Enhance the effectiveness of the Mayor- City Commission by providing a unifying vision, goals and annual work program, refine the teamwork and collaboration among the Mayor - City Commission and with City*

Manager, provide direction on critical strategic issues, develop a Policy Calendar for 2020, establish Vision 2035: a Vision Statement with defined, value-based principles that describe the preferred future in 15 years for the City of Gainesville, establish Goals for 2025: Define four to six goals with measurable objectives which become the major focus areas for the City of Gainesville, and create Plan 2020 - 2025: A plan to realize the vision, to enhance the mission and to achieve the goals with an analysis of major challenges.

*Fiscal Note:* Funds will be used from the existing budget of Strategic Initiatives.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The City Commission 1) approve hosting and participating in a workshop on June 2 and 3, 2020, to discuss strategic planning priorities.

**CA-10**      [191187](#).

**Construction Contract for Eastside Force Main Project; Phase 1 (B)**

*Explanation:* GRU provides wastewater service to approximately 200,000 people. The GRU wastewater collection system includes over 1,100 miles of piping, 15,500 manholes, 170 lift stations, and 64,000 customer connections. The system receives and treats over 6 billion gallons of wastewater per year and beneficially returns clean water back to the environment. GRU uses best utility practices in operating and maintaining its system.

The Eastside Force Main serves a portion of the east side of Gainesville. Most of its service area is generally bound by the Gainesville Regional Airport, NE Waldo Road, and SE Hawthorne Road. The Eastside Force Main is approximately 5.75 miles in length, traversing from NE 39 Avenue south under East University Avenue, then travels east under SE Hawthorne road, and discharges into the Main Street Water Reclamation Facility. It was installed during the 1960's and 1970's. Upgrading this force main will address aging infrastructure, lower maintenance costs, increase capacity for future growth, and reduce the risk of sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs).

This is a proactive project to replace the force main prior to its end of life as well as provide additional capacity for future growth to its service area. Phase 1 of the project replaces approximately 9,000 linear feet (1.7 miles) of the existing force main from NE 39 Avenue to just north of the Lake Forest Creek crossing, just south of Lofton High School. Phase 1 also includes the replacement of approximately 3,000 linear feet (0.6 miles) of the force main from LS 83, which serves the Tacachale State Facility, to its connection to the Eastside Force Main.

GRU construction crews will install approximately 1,000 linear feet of the force main and provide connection points to the existing force mains. The remainder of the force main will be installed by the contractor via horizontal direction drilling (HDD). HDD is proposed for the remainder of the project to minimize the environmental impacts to the area.

An Invitation to Bid for this work was issued by Utilities Procurement to

*the known companies that perform this type of work and the bid was also posted on DemandStar. Six bids and one no-bid were received. Companies were required to meet minimum qualification criteria, including licensure and experience, and were then evaluated based on pricing. T B Landmark Construction, Inc. submitted the lowest responsive bid and is being recommended for award of this contract, allowing the project to be completed under budget based on GRU's Capital Improvements budget for FY2020. A tabulation is attached for reference.*

*Fiscal Note: The amount of the best, responsive bid is \$1,673,096.00. Funding for this project is included in GRU's Capital Improvements budget for FY2020.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The City Commission: 1) Authorize the General Manager, or his designee, to execute a contract with T B Landmark Construction, Inc. for the Eastside Force Main Project; Phase 1, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality; and 2) approve the issuance of purchase orders to T B Landmark Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,673,096.00.*

[191187 2020-060 Notice of Intent 20200507](#)

## ADOPTION OF REGULAR AGENDA

### **BD BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS (BD) - GRU and General Government items placed on the agenda by the Charter Officers or moved from Consent.**

#### **BD-1 [191130.](#) Discussion of Fire Assessment as it Relates to FY21 Budget (B)**

*Explanation: This budget meeting is to discuss and provide direction to staff for preparation of the City's General Government FY21 Budget.*

*Fiscal Note: None*

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

[191130 Fire Assessment Discussion 20200507.pdf](#)

#### **BD-2 [191189.](#) Commissions Advocacy - COVID-19 (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

[191189 GNVCares - Final Implementation Guidance Rev. 1 20200507.pdf](#)

**PR PROCLAMATIONS/SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS (PR)****RE RESOLUTIONS - ROLL CALL REQUIRED (RE)****RE-1      [191149.](#)      **Public Transit Grant Award Agreements for Florida Department of Transportation Service Development Grant Funds for Regional Transit System (RTS) Projects (B)****

This item requests that the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the City of Gainesville dba Regional Transit System to enter into Public Transportation Grant Agreements (PTGAs) for the acceptance of grant funds and authorizes the City Manager to execute PTGAs with Florida Department of Transportation for Service Development Grants for RTS projects.

*Explanation: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) allocates service development funds to transit agencies each year. The allocations are given at FDOT discretion on a competitive basis for agency projects that meet FDOT Service Development Grant (SDG) criteria. These funds require a 50% match from the agency. RTS utilizes service development grants to offset operational costs for provision of fixed route services, or for capital projects deemed essential for improved transit services. RTS regularly submits proposals and receives grant awards for service development projects, which assist in offsetting operating expenses for City bus routes. PTGAs may, at the discretion of FDOT and if eligible, be amended with either increased funding and/or time extensions.*

*FDOT requires the governing board of each public transit system to adopt a resolution authorizing the agency to enter into a PTGA for the acceptance of grant funds. Many projects are eligible to receive additional funding from FDOT in future years, so the Resolution provides authorization for the City to execute any PTGA Amendments for the purpose of scope changes and/or funding adjustments in support of the project.*

*Route 33: On April 4, 2019, the City adopted Resolution #180845, and approved a PTGA authorizing RTS to receive FDOT SDG project funds for Route 33 in the amount of \$407,371 (Year 2 total of \$814,742). For Year 3 funding, FDOT is providing PTGA funding in the amount of \$407,371 (Year 3 total of \$814,742). This route connects a number of transit-dependent populations with services between major developments and the University of Florida. The Santa Fe College Student Transportation Fee provides the 50% local match funds for this project.*

*Route 800X: On April 3, 2019, the City adopted Resolution #180845, and approved a PTGA authorizing RTS to receive FDOT SDG project funds for Route 800X in the amount of \$69,746 (Year 2 total of \$139,492). For*

Year 3 funding, FDOT is providing PTGA funding in the amount of \$69,746 (Year 3 total of \$139,492). This route offers park and ride services during peak hours from the southwest area of Gainesville to residents including workers, students, faculty and staff to Santa Fe College using a direct route on I-75. The Santa Fe College Student Transportation Fee provides the 50% local match funds for this project.

Route 150 (new): One of RTS's main objectives is to improve transit alternatives and expand service outside City limits. Fixed Route 150 is a new route that began in fall 2019. The fixed route offers the first "park and ride" (PNR) services during peak hours from the SW area of Gainesville to residents including workers, students, faculty and staff to the University of Florida (UF). Service includes 30 minute frequency on weekdays from approximately 6:00AM to 6:30PM. The PTGA for Route 150 is for a three-year period, and RTS and FDOT will each provide \$750,000 (50/50 match) for a total of \$1,500,000 per terms of the JPA. The University of Florida Student Transportation Fee provides the 50% local match funds for this project.

*Fiscal Note:* Matching funds for each PTGA are identified in the RTS FY19-20 operating budget as noted above.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The City Commission 1) adopt the resolution authorizing the City of Gainesville dba Regional Transit System to enter into Public Transportation Grant Agreements for the acceptance of grant funds, and 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the PTGAs for the aforementioned projects, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

[191149A DRAFT Resolution 20200507](#)

[191188.](#)

**Resolution - Amended and Restated Supplemental City Commission Rules Governing Virtual Public Meetings (B)**

A resolution amending and restating the supplementary rules of procedure governing virtual public meetings during the declared State of Emergency for the COVID-19 Pandemic adopted by Resolution No. 191147; providing a severability clause; providing for suspension of conflicting provisions; and providing an effective date and duration.

*Explanation:* On April 16, 2020, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 191147 providing supplementary rules governing virtual meetings of the City Commission during the declared State of Emergency for the COVID-19 Pandemic.

To keep City business moving forward during the Pandemic, it may become necessary for certain City boards (final decision-making and/or

advisory to the City Commission) to meet and take action. The Supplemental Rules are being amended and restated to include the following new Rule 12 authorizing City boards to conduct virtual meetings:

"12. *Virtual Meetings of Other City Boards: In order to allow City boards to meet and conduct essential business (as determined by the Charter Officer who staffs that particular board), the City Commission hereby suspends any Board Rule(s) or City Code provision(s) that require a physical location for board meetings and/or the physical presence of the board members for quorum or voting purposes and authorizes such boards, in coordination with the respective Charter Officer who staffs that board, the City Attorney and the Clerk of the Commission, to conduct virtual meetings in accordance with the virtual meeting procedures set forth in Rule 2. Notice of Meetings, Rule 5. Quorum/voting requirements, Rule 9. Minutes, and Rule 10. Technology issues of these Supplemental Rules. Agendas for virtual meetings shall be finalized one week prior to the meeting date (for example, for a Thursday meeting, the agenda will be published by 5pm on the preceding Thursday. There will be no general board member comment or general public comment. Public Comment on agenda items will be accepted via the email address (in advance of the meeting and during the meeting) and phone number (during the meeting) provided in the Notice of Meetings issued by the Clerk of the Commission."*

*In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 20-69, this Resolution will remain in effect during the time that Executive Order 20-52 is in effect (currently until May 8, 2020), including any extensions issued by the Governor of Florida, unless this Resolution is earlier repealed by the City Commission.*

**RECOMMENDATION**            *Adopt the Resolution.*

[191188\\_draft\\_resolution\\_20200507.pdf](#)

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS (PH)**

**SR    ORDINANCES, 2ND READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED (SR)**

**FR    ORDINANCES, 1ST READING - ROLL CALL REQUIRED (FR)**

**FR-1        [190814.](#)            **Proposed Revisions to Chapter 8 Titled "Discrimination" of the City Code of Ordinances (B)****

Ordinance No. 190814

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances, relating to discrimination by revising definitions; by renaming the Equal Opportunity Office; by eliminating redundant code

language; by revising the definition of disability and adding new classes protected against discrimination for purposes of Fair Housing; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

*Explanation: One of the recommendations of the Rental Housing Subcommittee was updates to the Fair Housing Code to include new protected classes of gender identity, citizenship status, and lawful source of income. On July 25, 2019, the General Policy Committee voted to direct staff to draft revisions to the Code and present the same to the Commission for discussion. In addition, the Office of Equal Opportunity requested a revision to rename the office the Office of Equity and Inclusion.*

*On November 7, 2019, a draft of the revised ordinance was presented to the Commission and the Commission requested to add language tracking the Alachua County Ordinance in regards to prohibited citizenship status discrimination.*

*On February 20, 2020, Staff presented the revised ordinance on first reading. At the first reading, the Commission requested additional changes, adding veteran status and victim of domestic violence, dating violence and stalking as protected classes for purposes of fair housing, and modifying the definition of disability to replace language from the Code of Federal Regulations (29 CFR 1630.3(d)) with language from the Alachua County Code of Ordinances.*

*Because of the number of requested revisions and revisions to the title, this ordinance was re-advertised for a first reading. If adopted on first reading on May 7, 2020, second reading will occur on May 21, 2020.*

*Fiscal Note: None*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

**Legislative History**

2/20/20 City Commission Approved as Recommended and Adopted (Ordinance) on Second Reading, as amended

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**NECESSARY DIRECTION TO CHARTER OFFICERS**

**10:00pm or earlier - Adjourn - If later than 10:00pm, the Commission may waive the rules to extend the meeting or may schedule a date/time to continue the meeting**