

# City of Gainesville

City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601



## Meeting Agenda

November 9, 2021

2:00 PM

Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room

### Zero Waste Subcommittee

*Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (Chair)*  
*Commissioner Reina Saco (Vice-Chair)*  
*Commissioner Harvey Ward (Member)*  
*Commissioner David Arreola (Member)*

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**CALL TO ORDER****ROLL CALL****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

[210617.](#)                    **Approval of Minutes from the October 26, 2021 Zero Waste Subcommittee Meeting (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION**                    *The Zero Waste Subcommittee approve the minutes from the October 26, 2021 meeting.*

[210617\\_Minutes\\_102621\\_Zero\\_Waste\\_20211109](#)

**DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS**

[210129.](#)                    **Solid Waste Ordinance Updates (B)**

*Explanation: The Zero Waste Subcommittee has been meeting to discuss various policies related to the reduction, reuse, and recycling of solid waste. Based on this input, community builders have drafted changes to the City's Code of Ordinances to address the commercial, multifamily, special events, and food waste categories.*

*On July 21, 2021, the Zero Waste Subcommittee heard a presentation from community builders on proposed changes to the City's ordinance and provided direction on additional changes. The Committee also directed community builders to coordinate a "Town Hall" meeting where neighbors and stakeholders can provide input to possible changes to the Solid Waste Ordinance.*

*On July 31, 2021, the Zero Waste Subcommittee held a Town Hall to discuss proposed ordinance changes and get input from the community. The Subcommittee requested that Community Builders from the Solid Waste Division and the City Attorney's Office return with an update in a month.*

*On August 31, 2021, Community Builders presented an update on the ordinance work to date. This included a discussion on penalties for not complying with the ordinance. Additionally, the plastic bag and polystyrene components were discussed.*

On October 26, Community Builders indicated they would provide an update at each Subcommittee meeting for review and feedback.

*Strategic Connection*

*This item is connected to Goal 2: Sustainable Community a normal priority.*

*Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The Zero Waste Subcommittee: 1) hear update; and 2) provide input as necessary.*

[210129A Subcommittee Ordinance Update Presentation 20210720](#)

[210129B Draft -SW Ordinance Updates 20210720](#)

[210129C Comm Hayes-Santos Zero Waste Ordinance Recommended Clarific](#)

[210129D Summary of Ordinance Changes 20210831](#)

[210129E SW Ordinance Proposed Changes 20210831](#)

[210129F Subcommittee Ordinance Updates 20210831](#)

[210129 FINAL Minutes 080321 Zero Waste 20210831](#)

[210129 Solid Waste Ordinance Approved Updates 20210831](#)

[210129 Ordinance Update 20210928](#)

[210129 Solid Waste Ordinance draft 9.28 meeting 20210928](#)

[210129K Commercially Collected Residential Definition Update 20211026](#)

[210129A Solid Waste Ordinance 10.26.21 ZWC 20211026](#)

[210129 Solid Waste Ordinance 20211109](#)

[210626.](#)

**Food Waste Reduction and Recovery Initiative (B)**

*Explanation: The Zero Waste Subcommittee and Community Builders have been moving forward with a proposed food waste ordinance that will require food-generating businesses to divert their excess food following the EPA Food Recovery Hierarchy and thus will depend on businesses collaborating with local nonprofits that accept donations of excess food to make available to neighbors experiencing food insecurity. While there is likely to be mutual benefit afforded to businesses and nonprofits for establishing such partnerships, and numerous barriers that need to be addressed.*

*Therefore, Community Builder's from the City's Office of Strategic Initiatives, together with representatives from The Repurpose Project and Zero Waste Gainesville, will provide an informational presentation on a Food Waste Reduction and Recovery Initiative underway in our community. The presentation will include information about a three-part community-based research process being conducted to collect information and feedback from grocery stores, other food-generating*

*businesses, and organizations that provide emergency food assistance to neighbors (i.e. food pantries). Staff will review the purpose, methodology, and preliminary findings associated with these surveys. Staff and partners will also provide recommendations for how the data collected via the surveys may help inform an effective rollout of the ordinance, as well as some of the resources / support that partners require in order to be compliant with the ordinance.*

*Strategic Connection*

*Goal 1: Equitable Community and is a normal priority*

*Goal 2: Sustainable Community and is a high priority*

*Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal impact associated with this information presentation.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The Zero Waste Subcommittee: 1) hear presentation; and 2) provide comment and feedback.*

[210626A Food Waste Reduction & Recovery Presentation 20211109](#)

[210626B Toolkit-Inc. FW in Municipal Climate Action Plans 20211109](#)

[210626C Food Generating Business Survey 20211109](#)

[210626 Food Waste Ordinance Division 6 20211109](#)

[210626 Food Diversion ordinance division 7 \(11.9.21 meeting\) update 20211111](#)

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**MEMBER COMMENT**

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

**November 23, 2021**

**ADJOURNMENT**