

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Agenda - Final

January 13, 2022

1:00 PM

Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room

General Policy Committee

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Reina Saco (At Large, Seat A)
Commissioner Desmon Duncan-Walker (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**ROLL CALL****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****APPROVAL OF MINUTES**[210745.](#)**Approval of Minutes from the December 9, 2021 General Policy Committee Meeting (B)****RECOMMENDATION**

The General Policy Committee approve the December 9, 2021 minutes.

[210745_December 9, 2021 Minutes_20220113.pdf](#)

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS[210761.](#)**Appointments to City Commission Advisory Boards and Committees (B)****RECOMMENDATION**

The City Commission appoint:

Susan Jacobson to the Nature Centers Commission with a term ending 11/1/2024.

Marc Frank to the Tree Advisory Board with a term ending 1/1/2025.

[210761_NCC Application_20220106](#)

[210761_TAB Application_20220106](#)

[210761_Advisory Board and Commission Ballot Form_20220106](#)

[210784.](#)**ARPA Funding Request for the Gainesville Police Department's One Community Response to Gun Violence (B)**

Explanation: This is an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding request aimed at addressing gun violence and includes a presentation by the Gainesville Police Department.

Strategic Connection: This item is connected to Goal 1: Equitable Community.

Fiscal Note: The total funding request for the One Community Initiative is \$621,483.00.

Below is a cost breakdown -

1. *Community Oriented Policing - \$240,000.00*
2. *Community Education Efforts - \$41,350.00*
3. *Forensic Equipment - \$271,500.00*
4. *Public Safety Coordinator - \$68,633.00*

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee hear a presentation by the Gainesville Police Department on its One Community Initiative response to gun violence.

[210784_ARPA Funding Request_A Response to Gun Violence_PPT_20220113](#)

[210786.](#)

Request for ARPA Funds-- National League of Cities' One Nation, One Project: Improving Community Health and Resilience through the Arts Initiative (B)

Explanation: The City of Gainesville has an opportunity to participate in the National League of Cities' One Nation, One Project: Improving Community Health and Resilience through the Arts Initiative. A proposal would need to be submitted in response to this RFP by February 4th outlining an initiative that would support the development of a city-wide project that utilizes arts and health to improve well-being and community conditions. The team behind the SPARC352 effort would like to support such a proposal by assisting the City of Gainesville in outlining a city-wide arts project focused on mitigating the conditions that have led to increases in gun violence in many of Gainesville's underserved communities since the start of COVID. The One Nation, One Project proposal requires a commitment of 2% of the City's ARPA funds towards the proposal and would require the City of Gainesville to operate as the lead agency in building a partnership with local artists and arts organizations together with other potential partners that would deliver and implement the proposed project. Members of the SPARC352 team will present the National League of Cities' One Nation, One Project: Improving Community Health and Resilience through the Arts Initiative program for consideration and discussion by the members of the Commission.

Fiscal Note: The initiative requires that cities allocate at least 2% of their respective ARPA funds to support an arts and wellness project in Gainesville.

Strategic Connection: Goal 3, A great place to live and experience.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission 1) hear a presentation on how the project could be set up to address the RFP and discuss, 2) if in agreement, approve the allocation of 2% of the City's ARPA funds toward a potential proposal to the National League of Cities' proposal in response to the RFP, 3) authorize the City Manager or designee to prepare and submit a proposal for the One Nation, One Project: Improving Community Health and Resilience

through the Arts Initiative before February 4, 2022.

[210786 League of Cities One Nation One Project City of Gainesville 2022011](#)

[210790.](#) **Cultural Arts Centers and Their Effect on Youth Violence and Poverty (B)**

Explanation: Cultural arts centers (CACs) are community centers that offer programs and events to cultivate arts education and cultural connections. CACs have a primary mission of educating the community and cultivating artistic skills, but the programs themselves typically offer benefits that are associated with a decrease in youth violence and an increase in marketable skills. Although there is limited evidence of CACs being created in an effort to specifically target these two issues, and research does not indicate a statistically significant relationship between arts programming and reductions in violence or poverty, there exists positive trends and programming done through CACs has been shown to reduce factors that elevate risk for violence and poverty.

RECOMMENDATION *The General Policy Committee hear the presentation from staff and discuss.*

[210790 Cultural Arts and Violence Presentation 20220113](#)

[210790 Cultural Arts and Violence Report 20220113](#)

[210760.](#) **Community Resource Paramedicine Plan Presentation by Gainesville Fire Rescue (B)**

This item requests that the General Policy Committee hear a presentation by Gainesville Fire Rescue on the Community Resource Paramedicine Plan for consideration of American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funding.

Explanation: The City of Gainesville has expanded non-emergency health services for the past five years through the development and expansion of the Gainesville Fire Rescue (GFR) Community Resource Paramedicine Program (CRP). The CRP seeks to improve health and wellness and reduce emergency service needs for clients experiencing social barriers to managing their healthcare needs by connecting underutilized resources to underserved populations.

The Commission increased capacity through incremental funding. Additional phases are anticipated for FY22 and FY23 to expand the program scope and services into a comprehensive Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) for the City of Gainesville.

Fiscal Note: The recommended funding amounts are \$750,000 for FY22 and \$250,000 for FY23.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee hear the presentation from Gainesville Fire Rescue.

[210760_GFR CRP Presentation_20220113.pdf](#)

[210740.](#)

Administrative Session (B)

Explanation: In order to maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of the General Policy Committee, the Committee will plan its work by quarter. At this meeting, the Committee will decide which items will be heard during the second quarter of FY22 and will schedule them accordingly. General Policy Meetings are scheduled for January 13th, January 27th, February 10th, February 24th, and March 10th.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee will set their agendas for the 2nd quarter of FY22.

[210740_GPC Administrative Session_20220113](#)

[210740_GPC Swim Lanes_20220113](#)

[210740_FY22 Calendar and Recess Dates_20220113](#)

[210740_GPC Administrative Session Schedule Sheet 3_20220113](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT**MEMBER COMMENT****NEXT MEETING DATE**

January 27, 2022

ADJOURNMENT