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Potential SubCommittees

- Health and Public Safety Committee

- Gainesville Police Department
- Gainesville Fire Rescue
- Emergency Management
- Health

- Utilities and Infrastructure Committee

- Stormwater
- Solid Waste
- Electric
- Water
- Wastewater
- Broadband
- Natural Gas
- Public Works
 - Mobility
 - RTS
 - Technology

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- Administration and Finance Committee

- Human Resources
- Budget and Finance
- Communications and Engagement Office
- Office of Equity and Inclusion
- Purchasing
- Fleet Management
- Facilities Management
- City Attorney Office
- City Clerk Office
- Legislative Affairs
- Risk Management
- Strategic Initiatives

- Planning and Economic Development Committee

- Planning Department
 - Zoning
 - Land Use
 - Development
- Codes Enforcement
 - Rental Housing
- Building Inspection
- Housing and Community Development
- Economic Development and Innovation
- Community Reinvestment Area
- Real Estate

- Environment and Parks Committee

- Environment
- Parks, Recreation and Cultural affairs
- Wild Spaces Public Spaces
- Climate Change
- Youth Services Department

- Audit Committee

- Audits
- City Auditor

Committee Framework

- Each committee would have 3 commissioners as members, except for the Audit committee which would continue to have 2
- Each commissioner would serve on at least 2 committees with a max of 3 committees
- When new items are brought forward by commissioners or charters, the mayor works with the relevant charters to assign it to the relevant committee or the commission can direct it to a certain committee. Items can still be brought to the full commission and not go to committee if they are time sensitive. GPC could still be used for full policy discussion if necessary
- To help keep city business moving, any item that goes before a committee and the vote is unanimous to move it forward, it would be placed on the city commissions consent agenda. If the item did not receive an unanimous vote but was still recommended to move forward, it would placed on the commission agenda for discussion

Questions about Committees

- Dive deeper into issues. Get early feedback from the public and staff. Many times items are brought to the commission full baked without any commission feedback. Instead of having issues at the city commission meetings, issues can be resolved in committees. Public can ask deeper questions in committees instead of at full commission. Get the engagement started earlier. Lets things be vetted before going to the full commission
- Allow for the commission to create better oversight of city departments. Our current setup doesn't allow for oversight and I think this has led to many of the issues that we have today.
- This system would allow real feedback from the community and from staff in the early stages of policy development.

- There have been concerns about items stuck in committees in the past. We can put time limits on how long items can be in a committee. If the committee wants to have more time to discuss an item, then committee or committee chair and make a request to the mayor or full city commission to keep it in committee.