# City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



## **Minutes**

March 23, 2017 1:00 PM

Joint City Commission/Utility Advisory Board Meeting

Gainesville Regional Utilities Multi-Purpose Room, 301 SE 4th
Avenue, Gainesville, FL
City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Harvey Budd (At Large)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Helen Warren (At Large)
Commissioner Charles Goston (District 1)
Commissioner Todd Chase (District 2)
Commissioner Craig Carter (District 3)
Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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#### **ROLL CALL 1:03 PM**

Present 6 - Commissioner Goston, Commissioner Budd, Commissioner Chase, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, and Commissioner Carter

Absent 1 - Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Warren

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Jo Beaty, Ray Washington, Adele Francine, Jim Konish, Paula Stahmer, Don Glendening, Debbie Martinez, Tama Robbins, Ernesto Martinez and Mac McEachern spoke to the matter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Budd, that this Matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Commissioner Budd, Mayor Poe, and Commissioner Carter

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hayes-Santos

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Goston, Commissioner Chase, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Warren

#### **AGENDA STATEMENT**

Commissioner Chase arrived at 1:08 PM.

Commissioner Goston arrived at 1:22 PM.

160871. GRU 3-5 Year Strategic Plan (B)

RECOMMENDATION Hear a presentation from staff.

Heard

<u>160869.</u> **GREC UPDATE (B)** 

Justin Locke and Tom Brown made presentations.

Motion: 1) Alternatives for dealing with the arbitration deadline; 2) Requesting that Florida Municipal Power Association (or one or more 3rd parties) participate in due diligence analysis of both the MOU and future contracts with GREC, and if it gets approved, all due diligence after that (Mayor requesting that in a letter); 3) Building into the agreement a time extension for any public records delays; 4) A special meeting for March 30, 2017 at a time certain for 6:00 P.M. to discuss GREC; 5) Request the UAB to have a special meeting on April 5, 2017 to make a recommendation on the MOU; 6) Place on April 6, 2017 to discuss in the evening, the MOU; and waive the City Commission rules to reorder the normal agenda process.

Recess - 4:12 PM

Reconvene - 4:23 PM

Commissioner Carter left the meeting at 5:40 PM.

Commissioner Goston left the meeting at 5:45 PM.

Ray Washington, Jim Konish, Ernesto Martinez, Nancy Deren, Paul Stahmer, Tama Robbins and Jo Beaty spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

Hear an update from staff.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Carter, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Budd, Commissioner Chase, Mayor Poe, and

Commissioner Hayes-Santos

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Goston, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor-Commissioner

Pro Tem Warren

160870.

**GRU 5 Year Forecast Presentation (B)** 

RECOMMENDATION

Hear a presentation from staff.

**ADJOURNMENT - 6:09 PM** 

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# **Minutes**

March 30, 2017 6:00 PM

**City Hall Auditorium** 

# **City Commission**

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## **ROLL CALL - 6:02 PM**

Present 7 - Commissioner Goston, Commissioner Budd, Commissioner Chase, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Warren

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Amendment: Reverse order

Debbie Martinez spoke to the matter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Warren, that this Matter be Adopted as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Goston, Commissioner Budd, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Warren

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Chase

#### AGENDA STATEMENT

# 160811. House Bill 759 (2017) regarding governance of the City of Gainesville Utilities (B)

Commissioner Chase arrived at 6:04 PM

Motion by Commissioner Budd, seconded by Commissioner Hayes-Santos to take a position as a Commission to put out a question on the March 2018 ballot on whether or not we should propose a charter amendment to change governing for GRU. Motion failed 0-7.

Annie Orlando, Jim Konish, Debbie Martinez, Scott Austin, Darin Cook, Susan Botcher, Darlene Pifalo, Ray Washington, Russ Stiriz, Nancy Daren, Ernesto Martinez, Donald Theo, Telford Cartwright and Clovis Watson spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission: 1) hear an update from City staff on the status of House Bill 759 and 2) provide direction to City staff and the City's Lobbyist concerning House Bill 759

**Discussed** 

## **RECESS - 7:55 PM**

## **RECONVENE - 8:02 PM**

## 160869. DISCUSS POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF GREC (B)

Jim Konish, Ray Washington, Ray Hughes, Adell Francin, Debbie Martinez, Scott Austin, George Papadi, Darlene Pifalo, Art Stockwall and Ernesto Martinez spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss

Discussed

**ADJOURNMENT - 10:57 PM** 

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