

Commissioners,

The UAB asked me to draft our suggested revisions for Resolution 180442. We voted unanimously to endorse the resolution as-is, as we think the current document is a useful statement of the city's intent to move to 100% renewable energy sources. However, we also voted unanimously to suggest items we think would strengthen the resolution and set a strong foundation for moving toward those goals. Our suggested changes and additions are as follows:

1. That the bullet point item at line 37 be amended to read: "A commitment to green power purchasing." The UAB believes it's important to distinguish power purchases from other kinds of procurement and purchasing the city may do, to reinforce the goal of moving toward 100% renewable power sources.
2. That an additional bullet point be added to Section 2, reading: "A commitment to energy and water conservation at all city buildings and city events." The UAB believes the city can set an example for conservation by studying the impacts of city properties and events and looking for ways to reduce its footprint.
3. That an additional bullet point be added to Section 2, reading: "A direction to the Utility Advisory Board to study these related issues in depth, and to lead an ongoing community discussion focused on meeting the City of Gainesville's goals." The board believes that this community involvement and planning function is exactly the job an advisory board should be doing. Our monthly meetings and workshops are the perfect forum for the many in depth, wide-ranging, and somewhat technical discussions that will be necessary for meeting this goal.