

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Draft

October 23, 2019

6:30 PM

Town Hall Meeting - District I

Ironwood Golf Course, 2100 NE 39th Avenue, Gainesville, FL

City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Helen Warren (At Large)
Commissioner Gail Johnson (At Large)
Commissioner Gigi Simmons (District 1)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Harvey Ward (District 2)
Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)
Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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CALL TO ORDER - 6:31 PM**AGENDA STATEMENT****ROLL CALL**

Present 7 - Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Ward

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Modification: Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Arreola to waive the Commission rules and appoint Commissioner Simmons as Chair for this meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Simmons, that this Matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Ward

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Warren

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Commissioner Simmons introduced event, comment cards.

Helen Harris gave a presentation.

Commissioner Warren arrived at 6:45 PM.

Dr. Bridget Lee gave a presentation on diversity and inclusion.

Commissioner Johnson spoke about race and equity.

Dan Hoffman presented on quality of life.

Chief Tony Jones presented about public safety.

Commission Simmons and Commissioner Johnson commented about property taxes and assessment fees.

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Ward commented on police department.

Police Advisory Council, Norm Dunkel introduced themselves.

Citizen Questions:

- 1. 8th Avenue and Waldo Road.*
- 2. Loitering/homeless population.*
- 3. Utility rates*

Commissioner Simmons noted she will respond to unanswered comment cards after meeting.

Armando Grundy spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission will listen to public comment.

Discussed

MEMBER COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT - 8:32 PM