

City of Gainesville

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Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Draft

April 23, 2020

3:00 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

Virtual Teleconference Meeting

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 - 3:00 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

Amendment: Adopt the agenda replacing Member Comment with direction to Charter Officers, which will occur at the end of the meeting if time permits.

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

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

BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS

[191156.](#) **COVID-19 Equity Tool Kit (B)**

Motion: City staff apply the Equity Toolkit framework to nearly all future-related decisions related to COVID-19.

Teneeshia Marshall, Equal Opportunity Director and Lee Feldman, City Manager gave presentations.

Evelyn Foxx and Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *To follow the G.A.R.E Equity Toolkit model with modifications as necessary.*

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

Aye: 7-0 Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Ward.

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[191154.](#) **GNVCares (B)**

Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Mayo-Commissioner Pro Tem Ward: 1) Accept the GNVCares general direction and funding sources. Motion passed 6-1. Commissioner Johnson in dissent; 2) Change GNV Neighbors from 6 months to 2 months, and \$2,500 to \$1,250 to allow more people to access the funds; 3) Remove "and if unemployed, proof that they have applied for unemployment benefits"; 4) Have staff bring back suggestions for adding all non profits that rely on ticket sales for their revenue; 5) Have staff come back at Monday meeting, with suggestions for further clarifying loss of revenue to make sure that we are helping those businesses most in need; and 6) No double dipping for GNVCares businesses. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Ward: 1) Waive the City Commission rules and add two items to the City Commission agenda for April 27, 2020: a) COVID-19 Emergency Orders and Reopening Plans, and b) Discuss Alachua County's CCRC proposal; and 3) The Equal Opportunity Director come back with budget funding and have a conversation about whether that money can be allocated fund GNV Neighbors.

Lee Feldman gave a presentation.

Robin Louie, Nathan Skop, Larry Green, Max Tipping and Elizabeth Figjerola spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission consider the proposed plan and provide approval for the non-CDBG allocation of resources to the GNVCares program.

[191158.](#)

COVID-19 Emergency Orders and Reopening Plans (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission discuss and take action deemed appropriate.

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MEMBER COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT - 5:56 PM