

City of Gainesville

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Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Draft

July 23, 2020

1:00 PM

Virtual Teleconference Meeting

General Policy Committee

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Reina Saco (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 - 1:00 PM**ROLL CALL**

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS[200112.](#)**Referrals and Future Meetings (B)****GPC Meeting August 13th Agenda**

1. Equitable Development and Moratorium

GPC Meeting August 27th Agenda

1. Youth Development and Services

2. Youth Activities

2. Transitional Employment

GPC Meeting September 10th Agenda

1. Living Wage

2. Apprentice Program

GPC Meeting September 24th Agenda

1. Community Engagement Toolkit

2. CRA Related Topics

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee will set their agendas for the third quarter.

Discussed

200113.**Race & Equity Goals and Updates (B)**

Motion: 1) Combine goals #1 and #5; 2) Add to #2 that we add identifying companies to goal; 3) Ask staff to come together to find interpretations of veteran preference and how to use for the City; 4) Add to Goal #3 at a minimum proportion to the demographics of our City; 5) Goal #4 to come back as part of our discussion of the overall engagement strategy on September 24th; and 6) Intercultural competency.

Teneeshia Marshall, EEO Director and Ben Howart, Equity Specialist, gave presentations.

Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee to receive an update.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Arreola, that this Matter be Approved as Shown Above. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

200118.**Pension Obligation Bond and any other Budget Discussion (B)**

Lee Feldman, City Manager introduced the item.

Jay Glover, PFM gave a presentation.

Mark Benton, Accounting and Finance Director of Utilities spoke to the matter.

The City Auditor will conduct a risk assessment. The Commission will hear the item again at the August 20, 2020 City Commission meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee discuss the pension bond obligation and evaluate if any further budget discussion is needed and take action deemed necessary.

Discussed

200119.**Update on School Resource Officer Funding and Programs (NB)**

Motion by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Simmons: Maintain SRO status quo funding for FY 20-21 (not affect the budget). Motion passed 6-1. Commissioner Johnson in dissent.

Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Saco: Continue forward with the negotiations for the 4-year transition timeline starting in FY-2022, and that all negotiations be completed by December 31, 2020. Motion passed 4-3. Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Ward and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola voting in dissent.

Matthew Walters and Nathan Skop spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Policy Committee discuss and take action deemed necessary.

Approved, as shown above

ADJOURNMENT - 5:34 PM