

City of Gainesville

*City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601*



Minutes - Draft

October 22, 2020

5:00 PM

Virtual Teleconference Special Meeting

City Commission

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

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CALL TO ORDER - 6:10 PM**AGENDA STATEMENT****ROLL CALL**

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEM(S)[200433.](#)**Award of the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Project (B)**

This item requests the City Commission to consider approving a local government contribution from the ConnectFree Program to provide funding for development of a new Affordable Rental Housing Project.

John Wachtel, Neighborhood Planning Coordinator gave a presentation.

Eric McCarthy, Chair of the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee gave a presentation.

Lee Feldman spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

The AHAC recommends that the City Commission: 1) Hear a presentation from the AHAC and staff; 2) Approve funding the Woodland Park, Phase 2 Affordable Rental Housing Project in the form of a loan in the amount of \$460,000.00 from the ConnectFree Program; the terms of which shall be a 15-year loan, 30-year amortization, at 1% interest. The entire balance, including principal, shall be paid in full at the end of the 15-year period; and 3) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute any documents necessary to such funding, subject to City Attorney approval as to form and legality.

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola, seconded by

Commissioner Simmons, that this Matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT - 6:35 PM