# **City of Gainesville**

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



# <u>Minutes</u>

January 29, 2018 3:00 PM

Roberta Lisle Kline Room, City Hall, 200 East University Avenue, Gainesville, FL Subcommittee to Study Utility Advisory Board Code

## **Provisions**

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Harvey Budd Commissioner Harvey Ward Member Michael Selvester Member Mary Alford

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ROLL CALL - 3:02 PM

Present 4 - Budd, Ward, Selvester, and Alford

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Adopted (no vote taken)

### AGENDA STATEMENT

#### **170651.** Subcommittee to Study Utility Advisory Board Code Provisions (B)

Commissioner Budd stated that he would like to discuss: 1) what is the purpose of the UAB, and what does the subcommittee need to work on; 2) how to make GRU smarter, kinder; 3) General Fund Transfer (GFT) - how long is the agreement; and 4) analysis of the two House Bills.

Nancy Daren spoke about the City of Austin's Electric Utility Commission and Fort Collins Energy Policy and Energy Board model.

Mike Selvester stated that he is not in support of the Perry Bill that is up for a vote in November and that he is against any control of the GFT in the hands of anyone but the City Commission.

Mary Alford stated that they need to not be complacent about the Perry Bill. If it passes, they need to change the Management Plan.

Commissioner Hayes-Santos spoke to: 1) City of Austin and Fort Collins styles; 2) open to the possibility of having some variance of decision making, but issues could arise, and that is where you will have conflicts; 3) Conflict of Interest form (looking at all of the boards); 4) drafting of the UAB.

Commissioner Ward stated that he would like to see the Conflict of Interest form expand to all of the City's boards.

Listed below are the Subcommittee's suggestions as to what the UAB membership shall be comprised of:

1) A representative of a demand energy-customer; 2) A person with utility experience (preferably with leadership background); 3) A person with conservation experience (of energy and water); 4) A licensed attorney or contract administrator; 5) A licensed professional engineer; and 6) Two persons (non-voting members) (School Board employee appointed by the School Board and a County representative) (this will be decided on after the meeting with the School Board).

Listed below are the Subcommittee's suggestions as to Membership:

1) At any given time, the membership shall be comprised of the following.

Commissioner Ward stated that he is not unwilling to talk about some level of compensation to members.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2018 at 3:00 PM and they will discuss the functions, powers and duties of the utility board.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u> Discuss as subcommittee deems appropriate.

Discussed

ADJOURNMENT - 4:58 PM