

# City of Gainesville

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



## **Minutes - Final**

**November 26, 2018**

**1:00 PM**

**Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room**

## **Rental Housing Subcommittee**

*Commissioner David Arreola (Chair)  
Commissioner Helen Warren (Vice-Chair)  
Commissioner Gigi Simmons (Member)  
Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (Member)*

**CALL TO ORDER- 1:04 PM**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** 4 - Hayes-Santos, Simmons, Vice-Chair Warren, and Chair Arreola

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS ITEMS**

[180545.](#) **Select Chair and Vice Chair of Rental Housing Subcommittee (NB)**

*Motion by Member Hayes-Santos to be Chair. Motion died for a lack of second.*

*Motion by Member Warren, seconded by Member Hayes-Santos to be Chair and Member Warren Vice-Chair. Motion failed.*

*Motion by Member Hayes-Santos, seconded by Member Simmons: 1) Appoint Member Arreola as Chair; and 2) Appoint Member Warren as Vice-Chair. Motion passed unanimously.*

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Subcommittee select Chair and Vice Chair.*

**Approved, as shown above**

[180563.](#) **Discussion of Subcommittee: Structure and Topics (NB)**

*Listed below are suggestions/comments from the Members.*

*Member Arreola: 1) Keep topics/issues broad.*

*Member Hayes-Santos: 1) Different subsets to let the public know about the conversations for each meeting.*

*Member Warren: 1) Community workshops series pertaining to energy efficiency, code enforcement and landlord tenants.*

*Member Simmons: 1) Emphasis on educating renters and establishing partnerships.*

*There were six main issues: 1) Health and Safety; 2) Energy Efficiency; 3) Renter's Rights and Responsibilities (mediation); 4) Landlord Licensing; 5) Short-Term Vacation Rentals; and 6) Education.*

*Reina Saco, Jason Fults, Amy Carpus, Ron Combs and Brian O'Brien spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION** *Discuss and take action deemed necessary.*

**Discussed**

[180546.](#)**Meeting Dates (NB)**

*Motion: Schedule the following meetings: 1) December 4, 2018 - discuss Health and Safety; and Landlord Permits. (The following staff should attend the meeting: GFR, Housing, Code Enforcement; Building Inspections and GRU) and 2) December 18, 2018 - discuss Energy Efficiency; 3) January 2, 2019 - discuss Short-Term Vacation Rentals; 4) January 15, 2019 - discuss Renters Rights and Responsibilities (schedule an evening meeting starting at 6:00 PM, at the GRU Multi-Purpose Room).*

*February 5, 2019: 1) Open Discussion.*

*February 19, 2019: 1) Open Discussion.*

*Reina Saco and Jason Fults spoke to the matter.*

*Note: Staff will send out agendas to community resources.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The Subcommittee discuss and approve the following meeting dates listed below. The meetings will be scheduled on the first and third Tuesday's of every month until the Subcommittee sunsets.*

*December 4: Rental Housing Subcommittee - 3:00pm - 5:00pm - GRU Multipurpose Room*

*December 18: Rental Housing Subcommittee - 3:00pm - 5:00pm - Room 16*

*January 2: Rental Housing Subcommittee - 3:00pm - 5:00pm - Room 16*

*January 15: Rental Housing Subcommittee - 3:00pm 5:00pm - Room 16*

**A motion was made by Hayes-Santos, seconded by Warren, that this Matter be Approved as shown above (See Motion). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Hayes-Santos, Simmons, Vice-Chair Warren, and Chair Arreola

**MEMBER COMMENT**

*Member Simmons: 1) GRU to provide information regarding the LEEP Plus Program for the December 18th meeting. (Include in the back-up); and 2) GRU to provide funds that are provided to the Project Share Agency (do the funds go to homeowners or renters). Amy Carpus spoke to the matter.*

*Member Hayes-Santos: 1) Overview of previous legislative action (GRU to provide what didnt pass in mid-2000); and 2) Make contact with the Apartment Associations.*

*Member Warren: 1) Rental Agreements/Leases; 2) History of a pattern of evictions; and 3) Gainesville Alachua County Realtors Association.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Brian O'Brien  
Jason Fults  
Reina Saco*

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

**ADJOURNMENT - 2:23 PM**