

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

December 2, 2020

5:30 PM

City Hall Auditorium

Regional Transit System Advisory Board

Elizabeth Hauck (Member)

Barbara Scott (Member)

Richard Nelson (Member)

Christy Haven (Member)

Zachariah Chou (Member)

James Tyger (Member)

Harrison Scoville (Member)

Daniel Clifft (Member)

Evelyn Alfred (Student Member)

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CALL TO ORDER

Due to current Covid-19 restrictions, all city meetings must be held at City Hall in the auditorium. City Hall A/V technical support staff were not available to RTS Staff for the advisory board meeting. RTS Staff made every effort to set up equipment that would allow intercommunication between board member and RTS Staff as well as any commentary from the public joining the meeting virtually. The arrangement worked, but was not 100% successful.

The meeting began at 5:30pm called to order by Acting Chairperson Liz Hauck.

ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Member Hauck, Member Haven, Chou, Member Scoville, Member Tyger, Member Clifft, Nelson, and Scott

Absent 1 - Student Seat Alfred

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Liz Hauck proposed that the agenda be accepted with the addition of the election of officers. James Tyger moved to accept; Daniel Clifft seconded; approved by unanimous consent.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

James Tyger nominated Liz Hauck for Chairperson. Daniel Clifft volunteered his service as Vice Chairperson. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[200533.](#) Regional Transit System Advisory Board Minutes of January 22, 2020 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The Regional Transit System Advisory Board approve the Minutes of January 22, 2020*

Approved as Recommended

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

[200530.](#) Regional Transit System Advisory Board Staff Updates (B)

RTS Staff Members updated the board, closely following the report provided for the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION *The Regional Transit System Advisory Board receive the update from staff.*

Discussed

200534.

Regional Transit System (RTS) Route 13 Extension

Board members discussed the advantages of extending RTS Route 13 and their interest in pursuing the matter further. It was decided that the board should send a letter to the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners, requesting that they consider the feasibility of extending the route.

RECOMMENDATION

The Regional Transit System Advisory Board will discuss and make a recommendation.

Referred

200535.

Regional Transit System (RTS) Administration Building Sign

Board members discussed the sign outside the RTS Administration Building; specifically, why Corrine Brown's name is on it, Ms. Brown's current legal situation and the community's reaction. It was decided that the board should send a letter to the Gainesville City Commissioners, requesting that the sign be removed.

RECOMMENDATION

The Regional Transit System Advisory Board will discuss and make a recommendation.

Referred

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Nathan Skop urged the board members to push for removal of the sign outside the RTS Administration Building because of Ms. Brown's troubled reputation.

MEMBER COMMENT

Several board members commented that the A/V equipment used for the board meeting was inadequate. Other board members commented that they would prefer meeting in a place other than the City Hall Auditorium.

Liz Hauck welcomed the new board members and thanked everyone for their commitment to community service.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The board members agreed to postpone setting a date for the next meeting until or unless better accommodations can be made.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:36pm.