

# City of Gainesville

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



## **Minutes - Final**

**January 19, 2022**

**1:00 PM**

**City Hall Auditorium**

## **Finance Committee**

*Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (Member)*

*Commissioner Harvey Ward (Member)*

*Commissioner Reina Saco (Member)*

**CALL TO ORDER - 1:01 PM****ROLL CALL**

**Present** 3 - Hayes-Santos, Ward, and Saco

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

*Modification: Mark Benton, GRU, requested to remove item #210817.*

**A motion was made by Hayes-Santos, seconded by Ward, that this Matter be Adopted with Modification. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 3 - Hayes-Santos, Ward, and Saco

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES****DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS****[210819.](#)****Discuss Structure and Scheduling of the Finance Committee for Fiscal Year 2022 (NB)**

*Commissioner Hayes-Santos made a motion to appoint Commissioner Ward as Chair of the committee; and Commissioner Saco as Vice-Chair.*

*Public comment: Nathan Skop, Donald Shepherd*

*Chair Ward asked the City Auditor or other staff to comment on the committee's meeting schedule.*

*City Auditor Ginger Bigbie; Deputy Clerk Marie Kessler; and Finance Director Cintya Ramos spoke to the matter.*

*The committee will meet on a monthly basis with the option to schedule additional budget meetings as needed.*

*The committee requested to participate in the budget process, hearing pieces of budget presentations as needed.*

*Mark Benton, GRU Rates and Investments Director, spoke to the matter. Ginger Bigbie spoke to the matter.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The Finance Committee will establish the meeting structure and set their meeting schedule.*

**Approved, as shown above**

**210806. Financial Modeling and Forecasting Presentation (B)**

Finance Committee to review a presentation by Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

*Motion: Forward the financial model report to the City Commission for consideration.*

*Karen Fiore, Budget Manager, introduced the item.*

*Kyle Stevens, Stantec, gave a presentation.*

*Cintya Ramos, Finance Director, spoke to the matter. Ginger Bigbie and Mark Benton spoke to the matter.*

*Public comment: Nathan Skop, Donald Shepherd, Brian O'Brian*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*Recommended Motion: The Finance Committee: 1) hear a presentation by Stantec Consulting Services Inc. on the following funds: General Fund, Solid Waste Fund, Stormwater Fund, RTS Fund and Building Fund; and 2) recommend the ten year financial model report for distribution to the City Commission.*

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

**Aye:** 3 - Hayes-Santos, Ward, and Saco

**210816. Gainesville Regional Utilities Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended September 30, 2021 Finance Committee Update (NB)**

*Motion: Move the item forward to the City Commission.*

*Mark Benton, GRU Rates and Investments Director, gave an update.*

*Public comment: Brian O'Brian, Jo Beatty, Donald Shepherd*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The Finance Committee review and forward this notification to the City Commission regarding Gainesville Regional Utilities Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended September 30, 2021.*

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

**Aye:** 3 - Hayes-Santos, Ward, and Saco

**210817. Gainesville Regional Utilities Investment Management Program Update for**

**the Period Ended September 30, 2021 (B)****RECOMMENDATION**

*The Finance Committee review and recommend the City Commission accept GRU's investment management program update for the period ended September 30, 2021.*

**Withdrawn**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Nathan Skop, Donald Shepherd, Jo Beatty*

**MEMBER COMMENT**

*Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, second by Commissioner Saco (1) to request to schedule two hours for future committee meetings; (2) to schedule future committee meetings the week prior to City Commission meetings; (3) follow the Commission's recent meeting rule changes to use the Comment Card sign-up system for public comment; (4) only to have in-person comment for Finance Committee meetings.*

*Commissioner Saco will discuss a system for collecting the comment cards with the Clerk.*

*Public comment: Nathan Skop, Donald Shepherd*

*Dan Nee, Interim City Attorney, spoke to the matter.*

*Votes (split): Part 1: 3-0*

*Part 2: 3-0*

*Part 3: 3-0*

*Part 4: 2-1 (Ward in dissent)*

**NEXT MEETING DATE****ADJOURNMENT - 2:59 PM**