



City Commission Regular Meeting
MINUTES

September 7, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
City Hall Auditorium
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, FL 32601

Members Present: Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book,
Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro
Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner
Eastman, Commissioner Saco,
Commissioner Willits

A. CALL TO ORDER - 10:00 AM

B. INVOCATION

Pastor Gerard Duncan, Prayers by Faith Outreach Ministries

C. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA UPDATES:

- 2023-88 Approval of Employment Contract for the Equal Opportunity Director (B) Removed Item – Moved to 9/21/23 Explanation: Requested by Mayor Ward

REGULAR AGENDA UPDATES:

- 2023-844 Mayor Appointment - Gainesville Housing Authority (B) Removed from Consent Explanation: Requested by Mayor Pro Tempore Desmon Duncan-Walker
- 2023-527 Land Development Code Amendment to Outdoor Lighting (B) Updated Presentation Explanation: Requested by the City Manager
- 2023-775 FY 2023 Sixth Budget Amendment (B) Removed from Consent Explanation: Requested by the City Manager

- 2023-860 Adoption of the Tentative FY23-24 Budget Resolution and FY23-24 Financial and Operating Plan (B) Backup Added Explanation: Requested by the City Manager
- 2023-754 Deleting Residential Rental Unit Permit Program (B) Removed Item – Moved to 9/21/23 Explanation: Requested by Mayor Ward
- 2022-678 Quasi-Judicial: LD22-69 Alachua County Courts Complex Planned Development Petition (B) Removed Item – Moved to 9/21/23 Explanation: Requested by Mayor Ward
- 2023-598 Advisory Board and Committee Reports (B) Removed Item – Moved to 10/19/23 Explanation: Requested by Mayor Ward

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Motion: The City Commission adopt the modified agenda.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, and Commissioner Willits

Absent (1): Commissioner Saco

Approved (6 to 0)

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Motion: The City Commission adopt the modified agenda.

Approved On Consent

1. Approval of Minutes from the August 6, August 7, August 15, and August 21, 2023 City Commission Meetings (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission approve the minutes from the August 6, August 7, August 15, and August 21, 2023 City Commission meetings.

Approved On Consent

2. 2023-805 Request for Proposal Award for Construction Manager at Risk for Public Safety Facilities (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: City Commission 1) Accept the rankings RFP #PWDA-230055-DH – Public Safety Facilities Construction Manager at Risk with Ajax Building Company, LLC as the number one ranked firm and DE Scorpio Corporation as the number two ranked firm; 2) Award the Construction Manager at Risk Request for Proposal Award to Ajax Building Company, LLC and DE Scorpio Corporation; 3) Authorize the City Manager or designee to initiate contract negotiations with the two highest ranked vendors; if negotiations fail with either vendor or if an agreement is terminated, initiate contract negotiations with the third ranked vendor; 4) Authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into an agreement with two vendors for Construction Manager at Risk for Public Safety Facilities, subject to approval of the City Attorney or designee as to form and legality; and 5) Approve awarded agreements in the amount of \$1 million each for pre-construction services and require construction phase services to return to the City Commission for consideration.

Approved On Consent

3. 2023-807 Request for Authorization to Apply for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (NB)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the General Manager or his designee to apply for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant.

Approved On Consent

4. 2023-811 Contract for Consulting Services with NUE Urban Concepts LLC (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all necessary contract documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Approved On Consent

5. 2023-821 SW 43rd Street Rehabilitation Construction Bid Award and CEI Services Task Assignment (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: City Commission 1) Award Bid #PWDA-230053-WB – SW 43rd Street Rehabilitation to Watson Construction Company, LLC in the amount of \$1,079,787.50 and authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into a Construction Agreement with Watson Construction Company, LLC for SW 43rd Street Rehabilitation, subject to approval of the City Attorney or designee as to form and legality; 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into a Task Assignment Agreement with George F. Young, Inc. in the amount of \$230,000 for construction engineering and inspections on the SW 43rd Street Rehabilitation Project, subject to approval of the City Attorney or designee as to form and legality.

Approved On Consent

6. 2023-828 Acceptance of an FAA Airport Improvement Program Grant for the Gainesville Regional Airport (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission 1) accept the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration grant award of \$3,473,235.69 for the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport

Authority, 2) adopt the resolution, and 3) authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to execute and the City Clerk to certify said Grant Agreement.

Approved On Consent

7. 2023-829 Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources Special Categories Grant Application (NB)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission to 1) approve the request for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs (PRCA), Division of Cultural Affairs, to apply for the grant and for the City to accept the grant, if awarded, from the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the grant award agreement and other grant-related documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality, and 3) acknowledge that the City has a minimum of 25% of the matching funds equal to \$2,000.00, as required by the grant.

Approved On Consent

8. 2023-834 Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development Resolution (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed Resolution.

Approved On Consent

9. 2023-842 Authorization of an Amendment to a Task Assignment under a Professional Design Services Agreement (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all contract documents and other necessary

documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Approved On Consent

10. 2023-852 Appointments to City Commission Advisory Boards and Committees (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission Appoint:

- Camila Ochoa to the City Beautification Board, term expiring November 1, 2025;
- Caren Hackman to the Gainesville Art In Public Places Trust, term expiring September 30, 2026;
- Angelica Arbelaez and Amanda Demaria to the Gainesville Community Reinvestment Area Advisory Board, terms expiring October 3, 2025;
- Faith David to the Gainesville Cultural Affairs Board, term expiring September 30, 2026;
- Maya Razdan to the student seat of the Gainesville Human Rights Board, term expiring September 30, 2024;
- David Ruiz to the Infrastructure Surtax Oversight Board (formerly WSPP), term expiring September 30, 2027;
- Charmaine Henry to SHIP - Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, terms expiring December 31, 2025.

Approved On Consent

11. 2023-853 Resignation of Debra Krawczykiewicz from the Gainesville Human Rights Board (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission approve the resignation of Debra Krawczykiewicz from the Gainesville Human Rights Board, effective immediately.

Approved On Consent

12. 2023-831 Fiscal Year 2023 General Fund Third Quarter Budget vs. Actual Analysis and Projections Report (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission review and accept the report.

Approved On Consent

13. 2023-841 Ironwood Golf Course Budget-to-Actual Analysis for Fiscal Year 2023 Third Quarter (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission receive a budget-to-actual analysis for the Ironwood Golf Course for the third quarter of FY 2023 (period ended June 30, 2023).

Approved On Consent

14. 2023-845 Letter of Support for Toyota Mobility Foundation Sustainable Cities Challenge Application (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support on behalf of the Commission for this Sustainable Cities Challenge application.

Approved On Consent

15. 2023-846 Letter of Support for Environmental Protection Agency Solar for All Application (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support on behalf of the Commission for this EPA grant application.

Approved On Consent

16. 2023-861 State Legislative Priorities 2024 (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission review and approve the list of draft legislative priorities intended for the 2024 state legislative session.

Approved On Consent

17. 2023-836 Letter of Support for GRU's Sweetwater Branch Bank Stabilization Project Grant Application to 2023 Resilient Florida Program (B)

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the mayor to execute a letter of support for the project grant application.

Approved On Consent

E. EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

F. BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS - MORNING

1. 2023-854 Appointments to the Board of Trustees of the Consolidated Police and Firefighter Retirement Plan (B)

Commissioner Willits joined the meeting at 10:05 am.

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission discuss the appointments to the Board of Trustees of the Consolidated Police and Firefighter Retirement Plan and take appropriate action.

Motion: Reappoint Steve Varvel and Walter Barry to the Board of Trustees of the Consolidated Police and Firefighter Retirement Plan for terms ending June 3, 2025.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, and Commissioner Willits

Absent (1): Commissioner Saco

Approved (6 to 0)

2. 2023-844 Mayor Appointment - Gainesville Housing Authority (B)

Craig Carter, Vice-Chair, Gainesville Housing Authority, spoke to the item regarding District 1 housing.

Moved by Commissioner Chestnut

Seconded by Commissioner Willits

Recommendation: The City Commission confirm Mayor Harvey L. Ward, Jr.'s appointment of Craig Carter to the Gainesville Housing Authority for a full-term ending August 1, 2027.

Motion: Approve as Recommended.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, and Commissioner Willits

Absent (1): Commissioner Saco

Approved (6 to 0)

3. 2023-856 Main Street Water Reclamation Facility Capacity and Renewal Upgrade (B)

Anthony Cunningham, General Manager of Utilities, introduced the item.

Deborah Daugherty, Water Wastewater Officer, gave a presentation on the Main Street Reclamation Facility Capacity and Renewal Upgrade.

Rachel Lockhart, Acting Director of Water Wastewater Treatment Operations, and Grant Misterly, Jacobs Engineering, continued the

presentation on the Main Street Reclamation Facility Capacity and Renewal Upgrade.

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the General Manager or his designee to execute a grant agreement with FDEP to accept \$22.5M in grant funding for Phase 1 of this project subject to form and legality.

Motion: Approve as Recommended.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, and Commissioner Willits

Absent (1): Commissioner Saco

Approved (6 to 0)

After the item, Zeria Folston, Director of Equal Opportunity, recognized the City Manager and General Manager for implementing the Equity Checklist for business practices.

Meeting recessed at 10:50 am.

G. RESOLUTIONS – MORNING (Roll Call Required)

12:00-1:00 PM Lunch Break

H. CALL TO ORDER – 1:00 PM

I. GAINESVILLE HISTORY MOMENT

Ms. Donna Waller

J. EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

K. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

L. BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS - AFTERNOON

M. ORDINANCES: ADOPTION READING - AFTERNOON (Roll Call Required)

N. ORDINANCES: SECOND READING - AFTERNOON (Roll Call Required)

1. 2023-528 LD23-000054 Text Change Amendment to Nonconforming Lot Requirements (B)

Andrew Coffey, applicant, made himself available for questions.

Daniel Nee, City Attorney, spoke to the item in regard to the timing of the second reading of the resolution.

Forrest Eddleton, Director of Sustainable Development, spoke to the item relating to the equitable development piece.

Zeriah Folston, Director of Equal Opportunity, spoke to the item relating to operationalizing equity.

Andrew Persons, Special Advisor to the City Manager, spoke to the item relating to notice requirements for building, use by right in most instances does not require notices to the community; and gave an update on the GIS maps on housing.

Cynthia Curry, City Manager spoke to the item.

Public Commit: Monica Frazier, Casey Fitzgerald, Susan Mastin, Robert Mounts, Aaron Green

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Saco

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

Motion 1: Approve as Recommended.

Aye (4): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Nay (3): Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, and Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Approved (4 to 3)

Moved by Commissioner Chestnut

Seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Motion 2: 1) Staff monitor and report semi-annually to the Commission the number of the subject lots developed. How many and what types of structures were built. How many applications are

pending. How many, and what types of structures are proposed in the said applications. and 2) Include a two-year review August of 2025.

Aye (7): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Approved (7 to 0)

O. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING - AFTERNOON (Roll Call Required)

1. 2023-527 Land Development Code Amendment to Outdoor Lighting (B)

Commissioner Saco left the meeting at 2:32 pm.

Brian Singleton, Public Works Director, introduced the item.

Chase Knight, Supervising Engineer for Public Works, gave a presentation on the Land Development Code Amendment to Outdoor Lighting.

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Book

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

Motion: Approve as Recommended.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, and Commissioner Willits

Absent (1): Commissioner Saco

Approved (6 to 0)

P. RESOLUTIONS - AFTERNOON (Roll Call Required)

1. 2023-775 FY 2023 Sixth Budget Amendment (B)

Cynthia Curry, City Manager, introduced the item.

Moved by Commissioner Chestnut

Seconded by Commissioner Eastman

Recommendation: The City Commission: 1) review the proposed budget amendment resolution and 2) adopt the proposed resolution.

Motion: Approve as Recommended.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, and Commissioner Willits

Absent (1): Commissioner Saco

Approved (6 to 0)

2. 2023-806 Amended and Restated ConnectFree Resolution (B)

Cynthia Curry, City Manager, introduced the item.

Corey Harris, Director of Housing and Community Development, gave an update on the amended and restated ConnectFree resolution.

Andrew Persons, Special Advisor to the City Manager, spoke to the item.

Commissioner Saco rejoined the meeting at 3:07 pm.

Public Comment: Anthony Lyons, Ed Jennings

Moved by Commissioner Chestnut

Seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed Resolution.

Motion: Approve as recommended with the following modifications:
1) Remove on G4, the not-to-exceed \$400,000 for development so it's equitable between G3 and G4; and 2) Add a fourth whereas clause to the resolution. Whereas priority on the use of these funds be given to projects that yield net new affordable housing units.

Aye (7): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Approved (7 to 0)

Q. COMMISSION COMMENT

Commissioner Eastman - There is a conversation at the Board of County Commission that they would renege on funding for CRA projects in East Gainesville due to city budget cuts.

Commissioner Chestnut - Update on the Holiday Parade on December 2, and would like to move forward. Add item to the Special Meeting on September 14, 2023 to bring back more information.

Commissioner Book - City Clean-up downtown organized by the community but supported by the city.

Commissioner Willits - electorate for County Commission has changed and is now geographically focused.

Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker - Thanks the Board of County Commission for moving forward with the Prevent Gun Violence Task Force.

Mayor Ward - Thanks the Board of County Commission for plugging the gap in homeless services in the city.

Moved by Commissioner Chestnut

Seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Motion: The City Commission approve a Holiday Parade on December 2, 2023.

Withdrawn

Moved by Commissioner Willits

Seconded by Commissioner Saco

Motion: Cancel General Policy Committee on September 28, 2023 in lieu of a Special Meeting.

Aye (7): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Approved (7 to 0)

Meeting recessed at 4:08 pm

4:30 - 5:30 PM Dinner Break

R. CALL TO ORDER

S. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Gainesville Police Department Staff Members:

Detective Desiree Russano (VALOR Award Recipient)

Officer Amanda Figueredo (VALOR Award Recipient)

Officer Emma Spaulding (Officer of the Month May)

T. PROCLAMATIONS & SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

U. EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comment: Tana Silva - 2023-833 and 2023-860

V. BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS - EVENING

1. 2023-857 Consolidation of Budget Administration Policy and Budget Amendment and Other Revisions (B)

Cynthia Curry, City Manager, introduced the item.

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Saco

Recommendation: The City Commission: approve staff's recommendation to consolidate the Budget Administration and Amendment Policies.

Motion: Approve as Recommended.

Aye (7): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Approved (7 to 0)

W. RESOLUTIONS A - EVENING (Roll Call Required)

1. 2023-848 Fire Assessment – Final Assessment Resolution (B)

Daniel Nee, City Attorney, spoke to the item that the budget items were noticed for 6:00 pm.

Meeting recessed at 5:47 pm.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

Cynthia Curry, City Manager, introduced the item.

Moved by Commissioner Chestnut

Seconded by Commissioner Eastman

Recommendation: The City Commission: 1) receive any written objections filed; 2) hear testimony from all interested persons; 3) approve the assessment roll; 4) establish the annual rates for the Fire Services Special Assessment; and 5) adopt the proposed Final Assessment Resolution.

Motion: Approve as Recommended.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, and Commissioner Saco

Nay (1): Commissioner Willits

Approved (6 to 1)

X. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING - EVENING (Roll Call Required)

1. 2023-810 Appendix A Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges FY2024 – GRU (B)

Anthony Cunningham, General Manager for Utilities, introduced the item.

Moved by Commissioner Book

Seconded by Commissioner Saco

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

Motion: Approve as Recommended.

Aye (5): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Nay (2): Commissioner Chestnut, and Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Approved (5 to 2)

2. 2023-809 Appendix A Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges FY2024 – GG (B)

Cynthia Curry, City Manager, introduced the item.

Steve Varvel, Acting Director of the Office of Management and Budget and Risk Management Director, spoke to the item advising that there is a scrivener's error for adult swim fees. The fees should be listed as \$5, not \$6.

Daniel Nee, City Attorney, spoke to the item

Moved by Commissioner Saco

Seconded by Commissioner Eastman

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

Motion: Approve as recommended, correcting the scrivener's error in adult swim fees to \$5.

Aye (5): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Nay (2): Commissioner Chestnut, and Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Approved (5 to 2)

3. 2023-832 Ordinance Amending Electric System Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment Added to Public Streetlight and Rental Outdoor Light Services (B)

Anthony Cunningham, General Manager for Utilities, introduced the item.

Moved by Commissioner Saco

Seconded by Commissioner Willits

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Nay (1): Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Approved (6 to 1)

Y. RESOLUTIONS B - EVENING (Roll Call Required)

1. 2023-858 Establishing a Tentative Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2024 (B)

Cynthia Curry, City Manager, Introduced the item and gave a presentation establishing a tentative millage rate for Fiscal Year 2024.

Steve Varvel, Acting Director of the Office of Management and Budget and Risk Management Director, spoke to the item.

Cintya Ramos, Chief of Staff, spoke to the item relating to the dollar bill representation and chart on page nine.

Public Comment: Jim Konish, Dean Mimms

Moved by Commissioner Chestnut

Seconded by Commissioner Saco

Recommendation: City Commission 1) set the Tentative Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2024 at 6.4297 mills, 2) adopt the proposed Resolution, and 3) set the date, time, and place of the second public hearing to be held on Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Aye (5): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Chestnut, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Nay (2): Commissioner Book, and Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Approved (5 to 2)

Meeting recessed at 6:55 pm.

2. 2023-833 Resolution Adopting a Tentative Budget for the City of Gainesville D/B/A Gainesville Regional Utilities for the Fiscal Year Beginning Oct 1, 2023 and Ending Sept 30, 2024 (B)

Public Comment: Jim Konish

Anthony Cunningham, General Manager for Utilities, introduced the item.

Mark Benton, Accounting and Finance Director of Utilities, spoke to the item on options for Gainesville Regional Utilities absorbing the \$1.1 million to fund the County lights, including pulling from the \$7.6 million debt reduction plan.

Meeting recessed 7:40 pm.

Meeting called to order at 8:17 pm.

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed resolution.

Motion: Approve the tentative budget for Gainesville Regional Utilities for the Fiscal Year 2024, with the modification, the transfer from the City of Gainesville General Fund for County streetlights reflect the General Governments budget.

Aye (7): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Approved (7 to 0)

3. 2023-860 Adoption of the Tentative FY23-24 Budget Resolution and FY23-24 Financial and Operating Plan (B)

Cynthia Curry, City Manager, introduced the item.

Moved by Commissioner Eastman

Seconded by Commissioner Chestnut

Recommendation: The City Commission adopt the proposed resolution and the Financial and Operating Plan.

Aye (6): Mayor Ward, Commissioner Book, Commissioner Chestnut, Commissioner Eastman, Commissioner Saco, and Commissioner Willits

Nay (1): Mayor Pro Tempore Duncan-Walker

Approved (6 to 1)

Z. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Including Planning Petitions)

AA. ORDINANCES: ADOPTION READING - EVENING (Roll Call Required)

AB. ORDINANCES: SECOND READING - EVENING (Roll Call Required)

AC. COMMISSION COMMENT

Commissioner Willits - Welcome back to Commissioner Saco and thank you to staff on the budget process.

Cynthia Curry, City Manager, thanked the budget staff.

Mayor Ward - Thanked the City Manager.

AD. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned 8:34 pm.

Kristen J. Bryant, Interim City Clerk