

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 – 5:00 P.M.  
Jack Durrance Auditorium  
County Administration Building  
12 Southeast First Street  
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners met in special session.

**PRESENT:** Chair Ken Cornell, presiding, Vice-Chair Lee Pinkoson, Commissioners Mike Byerly, Charles S. "Chuck" Chestnut, IV, and Robert "Hutch" Hutchinson

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Hutchinson

**ALSO PRESENT:** County Manager Lee Niblock, County Attorney Michele Lieberman, Deputy County Manager James Harriott, Assistant County Manager Tommy Crosby, Assistant County Manager Carl Smart, Deputy Clerk Steve Donahey

### **Approval of Agenda**

1. Approve the agenda

**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** A Motion to Approve the Agenda: (a) approve any amendments to the Agenda; (b) adopt the Agenda; and (c) approve the Consent Agenda.

**Commissioner Pinkoson moved** adoption of the agenda as printed. The motion carried 4-0.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Office of Management and Budget**

2. FY18 Tentative Budget Presentation

**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Receive County Manager's Proposed Budget

County Manager Niblock presented the above item.

## **CLOSING COMMENTS**

3. Public Comments

**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Hear Public Comments

There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

4. Commission comments

**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Hear Commission comments

Commissioner Byerly stated that he would like to see what measures the County can take to voluntarily comply with and/or lend support to the Paris Accord.

By consensus the Board referred to the County Attorney the matter of investigating what actions the County can take and how the Paris Accord compares with the Comprehensive Plan.

Commissioner Pinkoson stated that he would hope that this matter would be addressed after the Budget Process and that whatever staff brings back to the Board would detail the financial implications.

Chair Cornell stated that he sat in the City of Gainesville budget meeting today and advised the Board that the City has a \$3,000,000 deficit. They have decided that rather than making cuts to address the short fall that they would increase the fire assessment from 42% to 50%. Further their millage will increase 6.8% to 4.8168 mills.

Chair Cornell stated that the City's tentative budget has \$75,000.00 in funding for the food bank not \$150,000.00. Also they will be requesting of the County a \$50,000.00 contribution to the Bread of the Almighty food truck.

Chair Cornell stated that he is drafting an email requesting information on the RTS bus service and that he will copy the Board on the email. He feels the information will be pertinent to future Joint Meetings with the City of Gainesville.

Chair Cornell stated that he has received a request for a letter of support for RTS submission to the Federal Transit Administration.

Commissioner Pinkoson stated that he is not sure the direction the Chair is headed as far as the transportation funding. He stated that the County continues to work with the City on RTS funding and simply asking for assistance from the City. He is concerned at what point does the Board start to withhold cooperation regarding RTS funding.

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**Commissioner Chestnut moved** to approve a letter of support for the RTS submission to the Federal Transit Administration. The motion carried 4-0.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.