

Monday, February 12, 2018 – 3:00 P.M.  
Jack Durrance Auditorium Room  
County Administration Building  
12 Southeast First Street  
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners met for the Joint Meeting.

**PRESENT:** Chair Lee Pinkoson, Vice-Chair Charles “Chuck” Chestnut, Commissioners Mike Byerly, Ken Cornell and Robert “Hutch” Hutchinson

City of Gainesville:

Mayor Lauren Poe, Commissioners Adrian Hayes-Santos, Harvey Ward, David Arreola, Helen Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Harvey Budd

**ALSO PRESENT:** County Manager Michele Lieberman, County Attorney Sylvia Torres, Clerk Stephanie Sisney

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Charles Goston

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Pinkoson called the meeting to order at 3:04 P.M.

## **WELCOME**

## **INTRODUCTION:**

1. Lee Pinkoson, Chair, Alachua County Commission  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Recommended Action:** N/A

Chair Pinkoson presented comments.

2. Lauren Poe, Mayor, City of Gainesville  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Recommended Action:** N/A

Mayor Lauren Poe presented comments.

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## **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

3. Approve the agenda

**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A

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

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to adopt the agenda. The motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Chestnut out of the room.

**City Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos moved** to adopt the agenda. The motion carried 4-0 with City Commissioner Goston and Arreola out of the room.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

4. CRA Bill

**Fiscal Consideration:** Over \$5 Million of County Resources are committed annually to CRAs.

**Recommended Action:** Board discussion of CRA Agreement with the City.

City Commissioner David Arreola and Commissioner Chestnut entered the room.

City Commissioner David Arreola, Commissioner Cornell, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Cornell, City of Gainesville Sr. Assistant Attorney Lisa Bennett, Sr., Commissioner Cornell, City of Gainesville Sr. Assistant Attorney Lisa Bennett, Sr., Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Mark Sexton, Commissioner Byerly, City Commissioner Hayes-Santos, City Commissioner Helen Warren, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Chestnut, Commissioner Cornell, City Commissioner Arreola, City of Gainesville Sr. Assistant Attorney Lisa Bennett, Sr., City Commissioner Arreola, City Commissioner Harvey Ward, Mayor Poe, City Commissioner Harvey Budd, City Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Hutchinson, Chair Pinkoson and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** that the County thank Representative Clemons for helping bring the City and County together and respectfully request that Representative Clemons either modify HB1237 to define proportional representation as up to and not exceeding two seats on the CRA Board. The motion failed due to lack of a second.

Mayor Poe, City Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Byerly, City of Gainesville Sr. Assistant Attorney Lisa Bennett, Sr., Commissioner Byerly and City Commissioner Warren presented comments.

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**Commissioner Hutchinson moved** to direct Staff to negotiate an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Gainesville that:

- A. Equalizes the College Park TIF's effective October 1, 2018.
- B. The County agrees to not seek any change in the CRA governance for one year.
- C. Invite the City to join with the County in drafting a local bill for the 2019 legislative session that establishes an equal representation by the City and County Commission on the CRA Governing Board and be sponsored by both local governments.

Commissioner Hutchinson, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Hutchinson, Chair Pinkoson, City Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Chestnut, Chair Pinkoson, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Commissioner Cornell and Commissioner Hutchinson presented comments.

**Commissioner Hutchinson moved** the amended motion to direct Staff to negotiate an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Gainesville that:

- A. Equalizes the College Park TIF's effective October 1, 2018.
- B. The County agrees to not seek any change in the CRA governance for one year and to withdraw HB-1237 from this current session. ~~and to present a new bill next year for equal representation on the CRA Governing Board.~~
- C. Invite the City to join with the County in requesting a local bill to establish equal representation in the CRA Governing Board.
- D. Nothing presumes that other CRA related issues should be excluded from an Interlocal Agreement.

Commissioner Byerly, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Commissioner Pinkoson, Commissioner Byerly, Mayor Poe, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Commissioner Byerly, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, and City Commissioner Hayes-Santos presented comments.

**City Commissioner Budd left the room at 5:25 P.M.**

Commissioner Cornell, City Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Byerly, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Byerly, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs

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Sexton, Commissioner Byerly, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Commissioner Byerly, County Attorney Sylvia Torres, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Byerly, City Commissioner Arreola, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, City Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Chestnut, City Commissioner Warren, Chair Pinkoson and City Commissioner Hayes-Santos presented comments.

**City Commissioner Hayes-Santos moved** the following:

- A. Equalizes the College Park TIF's effective October 1, 2018.
- B. The County agrees to not seek any change in the CRA governance for one year and to withdraw HB-1237 from this current session. ~~and to present a new bill next year for equal representation on the CRA Governing Board.~~
- C. ~~Invite the City to join with the County in requesting a local bill to establish equal representation in the CRA Governing Board.~~  
  
~~Invite the City to join with the County in requesting our Legislative Delegation to propose a local bill for the County Commission to have at its discretion [up to equal] representation on the CRA Governing Board.~~  
  
Invite the City to join with the County in requesting our Legislative Delegation to propose a potential local bill for the County Commission to have at its discretion up to equal representation on the CRA Governing Board with the Chair of the CRA Board be a non-voting member from the City that would be able to break a tie.
- D. Nothing presumes that other CRA related issues should be excluded from an Interlocal Agreement.

Mayor Poe, Chair Pinkoson, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Hutchinson, Commissioner Byerly, Chair Pinkoson, City Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Hutchinson, Commissioner Cornell, City Commissioner Arreola, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Cornell, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, City Commissioner Ward and Chair Pinkoson presented comments.

**Public Comments:**

Jim Konish, Armando Grundy, Robert Piercer, Wilbur Holloway, Meg Falozen, Phil Heflin and Former City Commissioner Randy Wells presented comments to the Board.

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Commissioner Cornell, Mayor Poe, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Chair Pinkoson, City Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Pinkoson, City Commissioner Warren, Chair Pinkoson, City Commissioner Ward, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Commissioner Byerly, City Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Chestnut, Commissioner Cornell, City Commissioner Warren and Chair Pinkoson presented comments.

**Commissioner Hutchinson moved** to direct Staff to negotiate an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Gainesville that:

Part 1.

- C. ~~Invite the City to join with the County in requesting a local bill to establish up to equal representation in the CRA Governing Board.~~

Invite the City to join with the County in requesting our Legislative Delegation to propose a potential local bill for the County Commission to have at its discretion up to equal representation on the CRA Governing Board with the Chair of the CRA Board be a non-voting member from the City that would be able to break a tie.

The motion failed 2-3 with Commissioners Byerly, Hutchinson and Chestnut voting "Nay".

Part 2.

- A. Equalizes the College Park TIF's effective October 1, 2018.
- B. The County agrees to not seek any change in the CRA governance for one year and request Representative Clemons to withdraw HB-1237 from this current session. ~~and to present a new bill next year for equal representation on the CRA Governing Board.~~
- D. Nothing presumes that other CRA related issues should be excluded from an Interlocal Agreement.

The motion failed 1-4 with Chair Pinkoson and Commissioners Byerly, Hutchinson and Chestnut voting "Nay".

Mayor Poe, Commissioner Byerly, Chair Pinkoson and Commissioner Hutchinson presented comments.

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**Commissioner Hutchinson moved** to direct Staff to negotiate an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Gainesville that:

Part 1

- B. The County agrees to not seek any change in the CRA governance for one year and to withdraw HB-1237 from this current session.

The vote carried 4-1 with Commissioner Byerly voting "Nay".

Part 2

- A. Equalizes the College Park TIF's effective October 1, 2018.
- C. Invite the City to join with the County in requesting our Legislative Delegation to propose a potential local bill for the County to have at its discretion up to equal representation on the CRA Governing Board.
- D. Nothing presumes that other CRA related issues should be excluded from an Interlocal Agreement.

The vote carried 4-1 with Commissioner Chestnut voting "Nay".

Commissioner Cornell, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs Sexton, Chair Cornell and Mayor Poe presented comments.

**The City of Gainesville motion failed 1-5** with Mayor Lauren Poe and City Commissioners Harvey Ward, David Arreola, Helen Warren, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Harvey Budd voting "Nay".

City Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Chair Pinkoson City Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Hutchinson and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

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**City Commissioner Ward moved the following:**

- A. Equalizes the College Park TIF's effective October 1, 2018.
- B. The County agrees to not seek any change in the CRA governance for one year and to withdraw HB-1237 from this current session. ~~and to present a new bill next year for equal representation on the CRA Governing Board.~~
- C. Invite the City to join with the County in requesting our Legislative Delegation to propose a potential local bill for the County to have at its discretion up to equal representation on the CRA Governing Board.
- D. Nothing presumes that other CRA related issues should be excluded from an Interlocal Agreement.

Mayor Poe, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Byerly, City Commissioner Hayes-Santos and City Commissioner Arreola presented comments.

**The City of Gainesville motion carried 4-1** with City Commissioner Hayes-Santos voting "Nay".

Chair Pinkoson presented comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- 5. Public comments  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Recommended Action:** Hear public comments.

No comments presented to the Board.

**COMMISSION GENERAL COMMENTS AND INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

- 6. City Commission comments  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Recommended Action:** Hear City Commission comments.

Mayor Poe stated there is a lot of work ahead of both Commissions and thanked Representative Clemons for agreeing to withdraw bill HB-1237 and assured him that the City of Gainesville will work on this quickly so they can bring some resolution to this as soon as possible.

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7. County Commission comments

**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Hear County Commission comments.

There was no one from the Board who wished to present comments.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 P.M.