

Thursday, September 1, 2011 – 1:30 P.M.
County Administration Building
Grace Knight Conference Room
12 Southeast First Street
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Commission met in special budget session.

PRESENT: Chair Lee Pinkoson presiding, Vice Chair Paula M. DeLaney, Commissioners Susan Baird, Mike Byerly, and Rodney J. Long

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Randall Reid, Deputy County Manager Richelle Sucara, Assistant County Manager Richard Drummond, County Attorney David Wagner, and Deputy Clerk Steve Donahey

The meeting was televised live on Cox Cable Channel 12.

Chair Pinkoson called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

ADOPTION OF THE [AGENDA](#)

Commissioner Long moved adoption of the agenda as printed. The motion carried 5-0.

I. [FY12 Budget Development – Discussion on Current Budget Issues](#)

Amount: N/A

Recommended Action: Review of current budget issues and related discussion. Information only – no action required.

Office of Management and Budget Director Suzanne Gable presented the above item.

II. [FY12 Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services Draft](#)

Amount: N/A

Recommended Action: Approve the FY12 Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services Draft and FY12 Supplemental Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services Draft.

Senior Financial Analyst Kent Cichon presented the above item.

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Commissioner Byerly moved to approve the Fee Schedule Charges for Services Draft and FY12 Supplemental Schedule of Fees and Charges for the Services Draft. The motion carried 5-0.

IV. [FY12 Budget Development – Adjustments to Tier 1 and Tier 2 Budget Decision Package](#)

Amount: N/A

Recommended Action: Discuss proposed adjustments to Tier 1 and Tier 2 Budget Decision Package and approve changes to be included in FY12 Adjusted Tentative Budget.

Office of Management and Budget Director Suzanne Gable presented the above item.

Chair Pinkoson recognized Sheriff Sadie Darnell who presented comments to the Board.

Commissioner Long moved that the County Commission adopt as its millage rate the stabilization rate of 8.6299 mills. The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioners Baird and Pinkoson voting “Nay”.

Commissioner DeLaney moved to establish the MSTU millage rates at the current MSTU millage rates. The motion carried 5-0.

III. [RTS Funding for FY12 bus service](#)

Amount: \$268,892.00

Recommended Action: Establish service level and funding sources for FY12 bus service in the unincorporated area based on the results of the City/County Commission meeting discussion on August 29th.

Impact Fee Administrator Jonathan Paul presented the above item.

Item #25 Eliminate Watershed Action Volunteer (WAV) Program Funding in EPD

Commissioner Byerly moved to direct EPD Director Bird to work with the City of Gainesville to look for opportunities to cooperate with the City to create options with funding levels attached to restore some of the functions of the WAV Program by the meeting on Sept. 20, 2010. The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Baird and Pinkoson voting “Nay”.

Commissioner Long moved that all the Tier 1 reductions from the General Fund and the MSTU with the exception of #25 on page 1 be accepted. The motion carried 5-0.

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Commissioner Byerly moved to accept the Tier 2 General Fund reductions totaling \$327,706.00. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Long moved to not eliminate #1 Youth Employment Services (YES). The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Long moved to not eliminate #2 Facilities Reduction in Building and Grounds Maintenance. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Long moved to not eliminate #19 1.00 FTE Sr. Staff Assistant in Community Support Services, #32 1.00 FTE Accounting Clerk in Animal Services, and #36 1.00 FTE Animal Technician in Animal Services.

Chair Pinkoson recognized Animal Services Director David Flagler who presented comments to the Board.

Chair Pinkoson stated the motion would be divided for the purposes of the vote.

Commissioner Long moved to not eliminate #19 1.00 FTE Sr. Staff Assistant in Community Support Services. The motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Baird voting "Nay".

Commissioner Long moved to not eliminate #32 1.00 FTE Accounting Clerk in Animal Services. The motion carried Commissioner Baird and Pinkoson voting "Nay".

Commissioner Long moved to not eliminate #36 1.00 FTE Animal Technician in Animal Services. The motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Baird voting "Nay".

Commissioner Long moved to not eliminate the Deputy County Manager position. The motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Baird voting "Nay".

Chair Pinkoson recognized Dr. Gold from the Florida Design Center who presented comments to the Board.

Commissioner Long moved to request Dr. Gold work with staff to produce a list of projects that the Florida Design Center could work on for the County for the \$15,000.00 funding and to come back on September 27, 2011.

Chair Pinkoson recognized Bruce Nelson who presented comments to the Board.

The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Baird and Pinkoson voting "Nay".

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Commissioner Long moved to fund Florida Organic Growers (FOG) at an additional \$13,000.00 for a half time position for community outreach. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Chair Pinkoson recognized Bruce Nelson who presented comments to the Board.

Commissioner Long exited at 5:10 P.M.

Community Support Services Director Elmira Warren presented comments to the Board.

Commissioner Byerly moved to set the \$35,000.00 as a place holder in the budget and direct staff to go the School Board and the City of Gainesville and express the concern that they should be bigger funding partners in the process and request a response. The motion carried 3-1 with Commissioner Baird voting "Nay".

Chair Pinkoson recognized Bruce Nelson who presented comments to the Board.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 5:28 P.M.