

Florida Greenways and Trails Council Agenda

Date: 07/22/2026 | **Location:** 10625 NE Waldo Road, Gainesville, FL 32609

Start Time: 9:00 AM



Time	Agenda Item	Presenter
9:00	Council Welcome	Mayor Harvey Ward Gainesville City Mayor
9:10	Comment Cards, Sign-In, Activities Council Introductions Approve Agenda Approve Draft Meeting Minutes (December)	
9:15	Office of Greenways and Trails (OGT) Updates	Sam Browne Bureau Chief, OGT, FDEP
9:20	Trail Town Program Updates	Sam Browne Bureau Chief, OGT, FDEP
9:50	FGTS Ranking	Sam Browne Bureau Chief, OGT, FDEP
10:20	[Placeholder Title]	Commissioner Bryan Eastman Gainesville City Commissioner
10:40	Art on the Cross Florida Greenway	Drake Arnold Artist
11:00	Cross Florida Greenway Updates	Bre Ximenes Trails & Volunteer Coordinator, Cross Florida Greenway
11:20	FEGN 2026	Dr. Tom Hctor, M.S., PhD Director, Center for Landscape Conservation Planning, University of Florida
11:40	Break	-
11:55	Cracker Country Trail	Ken Bryan Field Office Director, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
12:15	Austin Cary Memorial Forest	Taylor Stein, M.S., PhD FFGS Faculty, University of Florida
12:35	FNST Coalition Updates	Shawn Thomas FNST Administrator,
12:50	Lunch	-
1:50	Alachua Conservation Trust: EcoRover Program	Ema Olmos & Danny Rohan Conservation Events Coordinator & Preserve Manager, Alachua Conservation Trust
2:10	Trail Coordination Committee Updates	Jason Lauritsen Chief Conservation Officer, Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation
2:30	FDOT SUN Network 2026 Legislative Report	Robin Birdsong Statewide SUN Trail Program Coordinator, FDOT
3:00	Public Comment	-
3:30	Adjourn	-

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9:10	High Springs to Newberry Rail-to-Trail	Erica Hernandez & Alison Moss, AICP Florida Project Manager, Trust for Public Land Transportation Planning Manager, Alachua County
9:30	Gainesville: A Trail Town	Seth Wood, AICP & Scott Wright City Planner & Senior Planner, City of Gainesville
9:50	Recreational Improvements - Newberry	Jordan Marlowe Newberry City Manager
10:10	Alachua County Tourism Initiatives	Jessica Hurov Tourism & Economic Development Director, Alachua County
10:30	Friends of San Felasco	Dave Baggaley President, Friends of San Felasco CSO
11:00	Council Announcements	Council Members
11:35	Public Comment	-
11:50	Confirm October Meeting Date	Mike Stephens Chair Councilmember
12:10	Adjourn	-