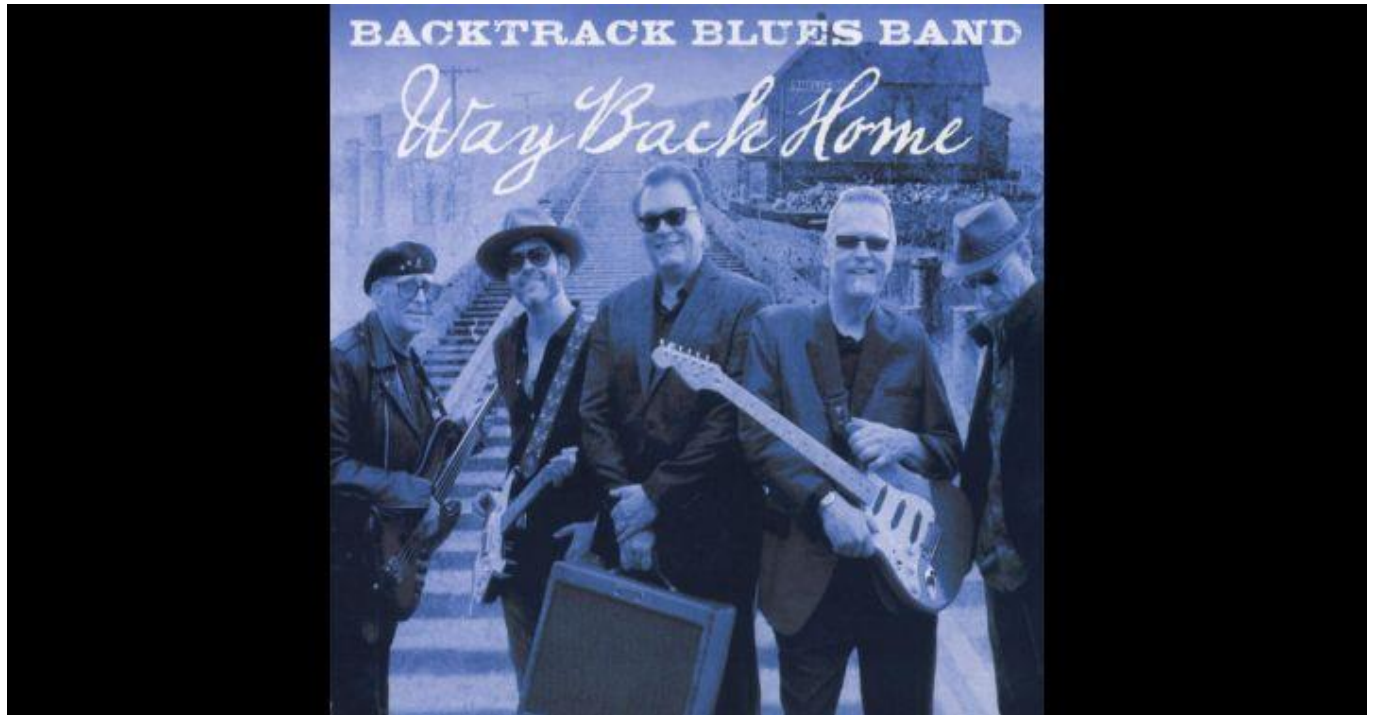


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The Backtrack Blues Band has a new one, “Way Back Home,” out since 2 September on Harpo Records. This is the fifth release by this Tampa-based blues band in a state where everyone should have the blues if Senator Marco Rubio and Governor Rick Scott are the best they can do. Then again, perhaps they have achieved perspective or an appreciation of the importance of relaxation as this is their fifth album since they started in 1980. They totally see the big picture on “Your Funeral, My Trial,” as someone’s about to go all “Hey Joe” all over Miss Take. There’s actually a respectful ode to those big gals – “Heavy Built Woman,” way nicer than the Reverend Billy C. Wirtz’s “Roberta,” the fat chick song of all time. They also do a reverential version of “Baby Please Don’t Go” that’s not the Them version. All in all, a tight blues band atop their game. – Bill Locey