

# **City of Gainesville**

*City Hall  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32601*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, March 2, 2006**

**10:00 AM**

**City Hall, Room 16**

## **Community Development Committee**

*Commissioner Craig Lowe, Chair  
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Chuck Chestnut, Member*

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## CALL TO ORDER

*The meeting was called to order at 10:07 AM*

## ROLL CALL

Present: Chuck Chestnut and Craig Lowe

## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### **050926 Minutes of January 19, 2006 (B)**

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Community Development Committee approve the Joint Community Development/Public Safety Committee meeting minutes of January 19, 2006.*

**Approved as Recommended**

### **050909 Minutes of February 2, 2006**

**RECOMMENDATION** *The Community Development Committee approve the minutes of February 2, 2006.*

**Approved as Recommended**

## DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

### **031225 Special Area Plan for Ironwood Area (NB)**

*John Wachtel, Neighborhood Planning Coordinator, gave an update on the Neighborhood Action Plan for Ironwood, which included beautification along Northeast 15th Street, and a wrought-iron fence at the entrance to the subdivision.*

*Mr. Harrington, President of the Golf Course Village Homeowner Association, stated that they appreciate all the help that the City provided to beautify the area. He asked that the City research who owns the empty building next to the gas station. He cited concerns that it might become a hazard.*

*Carol Barron, representing the Neighborhood Housing Development Corporation*

*(NHDC) gave an update on Northpoint at Ironwood, a new residential development. She stated that the value of the properties was increasing in the northeast area. She explained that NHDC would be developing 24 lots, and three builders had already purchased 13 of those lots. She stated that there were five homes under construction at the present time, and every home was a green home that would have a green builder certification. She indicated that prices ranged from \$129,000 - \$142,500, however, a price increase of 5 to 10% was expected with the next phase. She noted that a model home would be available within five months. She explained that she was working with the University of Florida on possible development of a rain garden that would be a model for the university teaching project.*

**RECOMMENDATION** *Community Development Committee to the City Commission:  
Remove this item from the Community Development  
Committee referral list.*

**Approved as Recommended**

### **050298**

#### **Update on Informal Negotiations for Modification of Urban Reserve Area (NB)**

*Mr. Saunders, Community Development Director, gave an update on informal negotiations for modification of the urban reserve area. He stated that the County had decided not to do an interlocal agreement, but instead, wanted to wait and prepare just the joint planning agreement. He indicated that a meeting would be held in March with the City and other municipalities to begin a draft on the joint-planning agreement.*

**RECOMMENDATION** *Hear an update from staff on informal negotiations for modification of the Urban Reserve Area after the joint planning meeting.*

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### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

*May 4, 2006 10:00 AM*

### **ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting adjourned 10:27 AM*