

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

September 15, 2005

9:00 AM

City Hall, Ground Floor, Room 16

Public Safety Committee

*Commissioner Ed Braddy, Chair
Commissioner Jack Donovan, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Public Safety Committee adopt the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Public Safety Committee approve the minutes of the August 18, 2005 meeting as presented.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

050217 GFR Fire Fighter Staffing and Equipment Policies

Explanation: During the August 18, 2005 PSC meeting, the committee requested the Fire Department return with their staffing report and to incorporate answers to comments made during the discussion; including the impact of overtime, staffing and capital, relation to the ISO, and discussion of national standards.

RECOMMENDATION *The Public Safety Committee receive the Fire Department's report, continue discussions with staff, and take action as deemed appropriate.*

Legislative History

7/7/05	City Commission	Referred (7 - 0)	Public Safety Committee
8/18/05	Public Safety Committee	Discussed	

050230 Homeland Security Issues

RECOMMENDATION *The Public Safety Committee begin discussions of this July 25, 2005 referral and take action as appropriate.*

Legislative History

7/25/05	City Commission	Referred (5 - 0 - 2 Absent)	Public Safety Committee
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050224 Bank of America-Robert Pearce-Citizen Comment (B)

Explanation: On July 25, 2005 the City Commission referred to the Public Safety Committee 1) the issue of the 24-hour drive through ATM at the Bank of America on University Avenue in reference to extreme noise (boom boxes), glare lighting and illegal activities taking place on the Bank of America property, and 2) also issues at the Wilhelmina Johnson Center for their review and report back to the

City Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Safety Committee begin discussions on this referral, hearing from citizen Mr. Pearce and staff, and take action as appropriate.

Legislative History

7/25/05 City Commission Referred (5 - 0 - 2 Absent) Public Safety Committee

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEW BUSINESS

050322 Alachua County School Board Safety Reflectors Program from State LECFTF (NB)

The Public Safety Committee approve forwarding this item to the full City Commission.

Explanation: In honor of Kenya Wilson, a Gainesville High School student hit and killed by a car last year, the Alachua County Public Schools is working in conjunction with the North Central Florida Safety Council on a safety campaign aimed at raising awareness among students, parents and motorists about safety issues for children who walk or ride a bike to school. As part of the campaign, they will provide every student with a star-shaped reflector that hooks on a backpack, jacket, purse, or belt. Each reflector will come with a heavy duty card with a brief outline of what happened to Kenya, a list of sponsors and a list of safety tips for students and parents. Included in the program is a media campaign to raise awareness about pedestrian and bicycle safety to coincide with the distribution of the card and reflector. For five years the Gainesville Police Department has supported the Alachua County School Board in developing a Safe and Drug-Free Calendar to promote families and parental involvement in their children to keep them safe and drug-free. Unfortunately, that calendar has been discontinued, and this program will replace our previous funding activities for the calendar.

Fiscal Note: Funds for this expenditure are available in the State Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund, as allowed under FSS 932.7055(5)(a). The balance in the account is \$16,876.89.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission approve the appropriation and expenditure of \$5,000.00 from the State Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund to the School Board of Alachua County for the development and issuance of the backpack safety reflectors.

NEXT MEETING DATE

October 20, 2005, 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT