

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

May 22, 2013

4:00 PM

City Hall, Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room

Community Development Committee

*Commissioner Thomas Hawkins, Chair
Commissioner Randy Wells, Member
Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

[120740.](#)

Review of Pending CDC Referrals (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee review and approve the pending referral list and proposed action schedule prepared by staff.

Legislative History

1/14/13	Community Development Committee	Approved as Recommended
2/11/13	Community Development Committee	Discussed
3/26/13	Community Development Committee	No Action Taken

[120740_Pending Referral List_20130114.pdf](#)

[120740_Pending Referral List_20130211.pdf](#)

[120740_Pending Referral List_20130326.pdf](#)

[120740_Pending Referral List_20130429.pdf](#)

[120740_Pending Referral List_20130522.pdf](#)

[121069](#)

Food Trucks (B)

This issue of Food Trucks was referred to the Community Development Committee for review and discussion.

Explanation: The issue of Food Truck operations and regulations was referred to the Community Development Committee (CDC) for review and discussion during the April 4, 2013, City Commission meeting. In May 2011, the CRA staff made a presentation to the CRA Board regarding Mobile Food Trucks. Since that time, a few food truck rallies have been organized in the Gainesville community, but are limited by local regulation.

Planning staff will present information on Food Trucks as it relates the current procedure for permitting the storage, display and sale of goods

and commodities from a vehicle at a temporary location on a temporary basis.

Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact determined at this time.

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee: 1) hear a presentation from staff on Food Trucks; 2) determine if the Community Development Committee wishes to recommend changes to the existing regulations to the City Commission; and 3) remove this item from the Community Development Committee's referral list.

Legislative History

4/4/13 City Commission Referred to the Community Development Committee

[121069 CDC Food Truck Memo 20130522.pdf](#)

[090795.](#)

Nuisance Abatement (NB)

This item is a follow up to previous discussions by the Community Development Committee regarding nuisance abatement.

Explanation: During previous discussions by the Community Development Committee (CDC) regarding nuisance abatement, the committee requested that staff provide information on the city initiating foreclosures on properties which have become a chronic nuisance and on which the city has a lien that would allow the city to initiate a foreclosure. Staff has reviewed the issue and is proposing a pilot program for FY2014 to evaluate the long term potential for such a program. Staff is also proposing a \$15,000 budget increment to fund the pilot program. As part of the foreclosure program city staff including Code Enforcement, City Attorney, Housing Division, and others will meet on a quarterly basis to review properties that may be foreclosed on by the city. Staff will review each property's impact on the community, use to the city, and possible property maintenance costs that may be incurred by the city to determine the foreclosure potential. If the \$15,000 increment is approved, staff estimates that five to seven properties may be foreclosed on. If the city initiates the foreclosure private buyers will have an opportunity to obtain the property which may preempt ownership by the city.

Staff is also proposing a pilot program in FY2014 to address overgrown vacant properties. A \$10,000 budget increment is being proposed to fund the program which will allow staff to administratively abate violations of Chapter 13 of the city's code of ordinances related to high grass and overgrowth. When the city performs an administrative abatement the property owner will be billed for the cost and any unpaid bills will result in a lien on the property. This program will pertain to vacant or unoccupied properties.

Fiscal Note: If the City Commission approved the pilot programs, the City will need to

budget funds in FY14 to implement them. Additionally, if the pilot programs are successful, staff would need to identify the available funding sources and determine the appropriate program budget to implement the program on an ongoing basis.

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee: 1) discuss the pilot Nuisance Abatement Programs presented by staff; 2) determine if it is in the interest of the Community Development Committee to direct staff to implement the pilot Nuisance Abatement Programs; 3) recommend the City Commission approve FY2014 budget increments to implement the pilot programs; and 4) remove this item from the Community Development Committee's referral list.

Legislative History

2/18/10	City Commission	Referred to the Community Development Committee
6/15/11	Community Development Committee	Approved as shown above (See Motion)
9/27/11	Community Development Committee	Approved as shown above (See Motion)

[090795_Nuisance Abatement PPT_20110927.pdf](#)

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT