

City of Gainesville

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 28, 2010

1:00 PM

Room 016, City Hall

Economic Development/University Community Com

*Commissioner Jack Donovan, Chair
Commissioner Lauren Poe, Member*

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EDUCC Information (B)

The EDUCC heard staff discuss the incorporated member suggestions into the City of Gainesville Strategic/Action Plan for Economic Development.

*Upon review, the EDUCC members directed staff to make the final edits as follows.
Commissioner Poe*

Infrastructure under Performance Measure: Based on our significant maintenance and reconstruction deficit within the city, I would like a little stronger wording here. It is apparent to me that we need either a dedicated funding source (i.e. a sales tax or special assessment) or a much greater line item in the Public Workforce budget just to catch up to our anticipated needs. This topic needs to be discussed by the entire commission.

Workforce under (2) Action Steps: I would like to see the city develop a mechanism, perhaps as a partnership with the school board, to facilitate service learning opportunities with local business for our students. Another discussion item. This is one of the Chamber's priorities.

Workforce under (3) Performance Measure: Exclude students? Will students skewed the jobs growth per capita measures?

Commissioner Donovan

Preamble-page one-second paragraph: Scratch the first word Mechanically. Sentences 2, 3, and 4 are difficult to read, revise. Insert comma in #3.

Preamble-page one-third paragraph: Scratch the second word latter and replace with partnership.

Vision Statement for Economic Development in Gainesville and its Region: First sentence scratch balancing of and replace with intention to or focus on.

IDENTIFY.....-page two-last paragraph-second sentence: The word in tact is one word.

Infrastructure-page three-under Action Steps: (1) Insert and specify an accountable deadline date. (2) Insert and specify an accountable deadline date. (3) Expand to include an annual analysis of what the needs are and quarterly report as to track the needs. (Commissioner Poe commented to submit a quarterly update of the strategic plan.)

Diversified Economy-page six-under Action Steps: (3) Include and define what the work is.

Quality Of Life-page six-under Action Steps: (1) Include a list of ways we would work with the Equal Opportunity Office.

MOTION: The Strategic Plan for Economic Development will be forwarded as amended to the full City Commission.

*Commissioner Poe Moved
Chair Donovan Seconded*

The motion passed 2-0.

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RECOMMENDATION *The EDUCC hear a status review from Staff and the EDUCC approve the Economic Development (ED) Strategic Plan.*