

SPROUT Task Force Referrals As of 5/2/02
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File Number 001427

Implementation of the Dover Kohl Plan

Referred 6/11/01

Discussed by City Commission 2/11/02

The City Commission requested that the Task Force review the Dover Kohl urban design recommendations for the Depot Avenue neighborhood and report back with a plan for implementation. Staff went to the Task Force on January 29, 2002 recommending that the City Commission direct staff to implement the Dover Kohl recommendations through the CRA and the DRAB as part of the Downtown Expanded District Redevelopment Plan. The Task Force amended the Dover Kohl recommendations with eight new action items and approved the staff recommendation.

Staff forwarded the Task Force recommendation to the City Commission on February 11, 2002 (the matter was assigned the new File Number 002349). The City Commission approved it on consent, authorizing staff to refer the Dover Kohl recommendations, as amended by the SPROUT Task Force, to the CRA to refer to the DRAB for inclusion in the approved Redevelopment Plan for the Downtown Expansion District.

The DRAB received the Dover Kohl recommendations at its meeting on May 2, 2002. Members wished to see some attention focused on better managing the neighborhood impacts of the St. Francis House soup kitchen. The DRAB also wanted to thank GRU for its contributions to improving the appearance of its downtown headquarters facility.

File Number 002533

East Gainesville SPROUT Project – Conceptual Park Design

Referred 3/25/02

The City Commission received the park concept and comments of the SPROUT Task Force on March 25th. The City Commission directed staff and other appropriate agencies to work with the SPROUT Task Force to address their concerns and include the proposed interactive water fountain in these discussions. To date, staff has contacted RTS for the location of the park transit stop, FDOT for the slip lane issue, and the DRAB for the interactive fountain. Discussions are anticipated to continue until these issues are resolved.