

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 14, 2012

1:00 PM

Modified Agenda

City Hall, Room 16

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee

*Commissioner Scherwin Henry, Chair
Commissioner Todd Chase, Member
Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER - 1:15 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry and Todd Chase

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Committee adopted the agenda as circulated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

110945. Approval of the February 13, 2012, and April 9, 2012, Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee approve the minutes of the February 13, 2012, and April 9, 2012, meetings as submitted.*

Approved as Recommended

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

These minutes are a summary of the meeting and are not verbatim discussion. A copy of the meeting recording will be provided upon request.

110398. Sweetwater Branch/Paynes Prairie Sheetflow Restoration Project (B)

This item provides an update to the City Commission from the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee regarding the public use elements of the Sweetwater Branch/Paynes Prairie Sheetflow Restoration Project.

This item was introduced by Assistant City Manager Paul Folkers, and the presentation was given by Alice Rankeillor with GRU Water/Wastewater Planning. Ms. Rankeillor explained that the public use elements included in the base bid are a paved driveway, parking, walkways and shade shelters. The observation tower, visitor's center, welcome classroom and security residence are optional and could take place during later phases of the project. Completion of construction of the first phase is expected in 2014.

The water quality improvement project is on track and moving forward. The Committee suggested that feedback from other entities might assist the City formulate a better bid or path of approaching interested parties to handle the operations and maintenance of this wetland park. Commissioner Mastrodicasa made the following

motion.

MOTION: The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee recommend to the City Commission that this item be discussed as a potential increment during budget sessions. The motion was approved unanimously.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission: 1) hear an update from staff on this item; 2) direct the City Manager to add this item to the list of increments to be discussed during City Commission budget discussions; and 3) remove this item from the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee pending referral list.*

Approved as shown above (See Motion)

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Update on the Wild Spaces Public Places One-Half Cent Sales Tax Initiative's Implementation Plan for Capital Improvement Projects and Sensitive Lands Acquisition (B)

This item is an Update Referral on the Wild Spaces Public Places One-Half Cent Sales Tax Initiatives Implementation Plan for Capital Improvement Projects and Sensitive Lands Acquisition.

This item was introduced by Assistant City Manager Paul Folkers. Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs (PRCA) Director Steve Phillips stated that the allocations for each of the 23 projects approved by the Commission were prioritized as high, medium or low. The funding available only addressed the high and some of the medium priority projects. Staff will return to the priority list as projects are completed and work on lower priority projects. Funds cannot be used outside the approved list of projects without voter approval.

A presentation was given by Purchasing Manager Aleta Cozart outlining each project, how much was budgeted and how much has been spent to date. There is approximately \$1,000,000 to finish projects on the approved list.

RECOMMENDATION *The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee hear an update from staff on this matter.*

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090777.

Recreation Master Plan (B)

This item provides an update regarding the status of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Master Planning Process.

This item was introduced by PRCA Director Steve Phillips and the presentation was given by PRCA Assistant Director Michelle Park. Ms. Park updated the Committee with project objectives and schedules. Ms. Park also stated that the department is in the middle of the accreditation program to assess how the department compares to 145 national standards. Site evaluations for neighborhood parks, community parks, regional parks and special-use facilities were presented to the committee. Public Opinion survey results were also presented.

RECOMMENDATION *The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee hear an update from staff regarding the status of the Recreation Master Planning Process.*

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090777A_June Master Plan PPT_20120605.pdf
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110211.

Fourth of July - City Fireworks (NB)

This item is a referral to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee regarding City funding for fireworks for the Fourth of July in the City of Gainesville

This item was introduced by Commissioner Chase. Private funding is wrapping up and we should end up with a budget of about \$30,000 for a fireworks show on July 3, 2012. No rain date will be scheduled. \$4,590 has already been allocated from Support Services to co-sponsor the fireworks show and there was a discussion to bring that amount up to \$10,000 to make this show succeed.

The Committee supports Commissioner Chase as he presents this item to the Commission this Thursday to increase the funding by \$5,410 from the same allocation from Support Services to support this event.

RECOMMENDATION *The Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs Committee: 1) hear an update from staff, and 2) provide staff with direction regarding this matter.*

Discussed

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MEMBER COMMENT

Commissioner Chase asked for a referral from the Committee to discuss the removal of the skateboard ramp at Westside Park. The ramp was built by volunteers. Commissioner Chase may suggest this referral to the City Commission.

ADJOURNMENT - 3:00 PM