

City of Gainesville

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Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes

Tuesday, December 18, 2012

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 16

Community Development Committee

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

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CALL TO ORDER - 6:10 PM

ROLL CALL

Present 3 - Hawkins, Wells, and Hinson-Rawls

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted by consensus.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

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Vision for East University Avenue to Hawthorne Rd Corridor - 5 points area (B)

This item involves a request for the Community Development Committee to hear a presentation from Community Redevelopment Agency staff on the Hawthorne Road Corridor Assessment.

The Community Development Committee heard a brief introduction from Assistant City Manager Fred Murry, and received a brief history on this item from CRA Senior Analyst Sarah Vidal-Finn. The staff from Chen Moore and Associates made a full presentation to the CRA Board the day before, so they briefly covered the presentation again and answered specific questions. Topics discussed included improving the quality of local schools, streetscaping, and infrastructure to help improve communities. After the Committee received input from staff and citizens, the following motion was made by Hinson-Rawls, second by Commissioner Wells. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: GRU staff is to determine 1) whether or not lift station 7 can be moved to a sooner year on the CIP and present a report, and 2) explore options for a new sewer shed or expand the existing lift station 7 shed into the unincorporated area; and 3) City Planning staff is to determine options on how to resolve the identified problems with properties zoned as MU1 on Hawthorne road due to sub-standard size, adjacency issues, or other restrictions. GRU items are to come back to the full City Commission while the Planning staff request is to be presented to the CDC preferably by February or as soon as feasible.

RECOMMENDATION *The Community Development Committee: 1) receive a presentation from staff; and 2) provide feedback and direction to staff as appropriate.*

Approved as shown above (See Motion)

MEMBER COMMENT

Commissioner Hinson-Rawls asked for several reports including the SEGRI report, the 2007 Retail Market Report/Study, and the Eastside and Central City Development

Committee final report. The Committee discussed making a referral to the Audit and Finance Committee to determine a place to house all reports and information provided to the Commission (other than Legistar). Mr. Murry will follow-up on getting these reports to Commissioner Hinson-Rawls.

Commissioner Wells stated that he would like to hear an update from staff on the impact of the replacement of Fire Station 1. Mr. Murry will ask Mr. Folkers and Chief Prince to follow-up with the Commissioners on this request.

ADJOURNMENT - 8:29 PM