

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

February 01, 2010

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 16

Community Development Committee

*Commissioner Thomas Hawkins, Chair
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Scherwin Henry, Member
Commissioner Craig Lowe, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER**ROLL CALL****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The Community Development Committee adopt the February 1, 2010 agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES**090732. Minutes of January 12, 2010 (B)**

RECOMMENDATION *The Community Development Committee approve the Minutes of January 12, 2010.*

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DISCUSSION ITEMS**090303.****Request for Consideration of Providing Wastewater Service to the City of Waldo (B)**

In May of 2009, the City of Waldo requested that the City of Gainesville consider providing wastewater service to Waldo.

Explanation: In May of 2009, the City of Waldo sent a letter (attached) to the City of Gainesville requesting that the City of Gainesville consider providing wastewater service to Waldo, and asked that an estimate be provided for the cost to connect.

In July of 2009, GRU provided a letter (attached) to Waldo estimating the cost to connect to GRU's wastewater system, and indicating that City Commission approval would be required for the extension of wastewater service.

Representatives from the City of Waldo addressed the City Commission at the August 20, 2009 City Commission meeting and explained that they were evaluating a number of alternatives to upgrade their existing wastewater treatment plant, and one they wanted to evaluate was to abandon their existing plant and connect to GRU's wastewater system. Also at that City Commission meeting, GRU presented the estimated cost for GRU to serve Waldo. The City Commission approved a motion to 1) Continue working with Waldo, and 2) refer this item to the Community Development Committee.

On November 10, 2009, the City of Waldo elected to pursue connection to GRU's wastewater system as their preferred wastewater service alternative. The consultant for the City of Waldo is now proceeding with the necessary

approvals and permitting to connect to GRU's wastewater system.

In accordance with the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan, the Alachua County Commission must approve the extension since Waldo is beyond the Urban Cluster. Alachua County Staff has considered the request by the City of Waldo that wastewater service be extended beyond the Urban Cluster and recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve the extension based on public health and safety issues (letter attached). This item was considered by the County Commission on January 12, 2010. The County Commission discussed the item but decided additional time was needed to consider the matter. The County Commission continued discussion of the extension of wastewater facilities to Waldo to January 26th at 1:30 p.m.

If the Alachua County Commission finds that the wastewater extension to Waldo is consistent with the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan, then it is anticipated that an interlocal agreement will be prepared between Alachua County, the City of Waldo, and the City of Gainesville to address wastewater system connections in the unincorporated area outside the Alachua County Urban Cluster.

Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee hear a brief update from GRU staff on the status of this item.

Legislative History

8/20/09 City Commission Approved as shown above Community Development
and Referred (7 - 0) Committee

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090392.

Vision for East University Avenue to Hawthorne Rd Corridor - 5 Points Area (B)

This item involves developing a vision for the transformation of the Area of East University Avenue to Hawthorne Rd. Corridor (5 Points Area).

Explanation: At the City Commission meeting on September 3, 2009, this item was brought forward by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Henry during Commission Comment. The City Commission referred the issue of transforming the area of East University Avenue to Hawthorne Rd. Corridor (5 Points Area) to the Community Development Committee.

The Community Development Committee discussed this item at the September 14, 2009 meeting and agreed to request staff representation from GRU, Public Works, RTS, and CRA at a future meeting to continue discussion on defining the specific area/corridor to target for revitalization.

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee: 1) endorse the East Gainesville Public Investment Area Map or amend it as appropriate; and 2) direct staff to analyze

the area in terms of any public service deficiencies and bring back this information to the Committee for review and referral to the City Commission.

Legislative History

9/3/09 City Commission Referred (6 - 0 - 1 Absent) Community Development Committee

9/14/09 Community Development Committee Discussed

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090311.

Utility Infrastructure to Support Small, Urbanized Areas (B)

This item involves developing a plan to build out utility infrastructures to support development of the allowable density in a few small, urbanized areas of the city, such as Five Points.

Explanation: At the September 14, 2009 Community Development Committee meeting this item was discussed and staff was directed to ask Gainesville Regional Utilities and Public Works to attend the October meeting to discuss infrastructure.

At the October 26, 2009 Community Development Committee meeting the CDC discussed this item and heard presentations from Stu Pearson of the Public Works Department and Rick Hutton of Gainesville Regional Utilities. The Committee requested that staff present to the Committee: 1) a map outlining specific boundaries (for example something such as the Five Points Special Area Plan extended North on Waldo Road to 8th, South on Williston Road to 4th, and West on University to 9th); 2) specific information regarding stormwater facilities from Stu Pearson of Public Works and specific information from Rick Hutton of Gainesville Regional Utilities regarding gravity mains in the area; and 3) planning information on the vision that was laid out for this area in the Waldo Road Corridor Study.

Fiscal Note: None

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee: 1) endorse the East Gainesville Public Investment Area Map or amend it as appropriate; and 2) direct staff to analyze the area in terms of any public service deficiencies and bring back this information to the Committee for review and referral to the City Commission.

Legislative History

8/6/09 City Commission Referred Community Development Committee

9/14/09 Community Development Committee Discussed

10/26/09 Community Development Committee Discussed
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090322.**Greenbelt Study for City Perimeter (B)**

This item involves analyzing existing plans and policies designed to establish and maintain a Greenbelt around the City of Gainesville's incorporated perimeter.

Explanation: At its regular meeting on July 13, 2009, the Community Development Committee recommended that several referrals be added to the Committee's pending referral list dealing with growth and development in East Gainesville and with respect to the perimeter of the City's incorporated limits.

At the August 6, 2009 City Commission meeting, this matter was approved as recommended on the Consent Agenda.

This referral to be examined over the next year is stated as: Analyze existing plans and policies designed to establish and maintain a Greenbelt around the city of Gainesville's incorporated perimeter.

Fiscal Note: None

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee review the information and provide direction to staff.

Legislative History

8/6/09 City Commission Referred Community Development Committee
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MEMBER COMMENT**CITIZEN COMMENT****PENDING REFERRALS**

040180 -- Principles of Sustainability in Significant Decisions
050761 -- Energy Efficiency Standards and Requirements
061025 -- Landlord License Fees for Non-Conforming Uses
070777 -- Removal of Lien Affecting 1245 SE 4th Ave & 1239 SE 3rd Ave
080465 -- Initiative 2.4: Ensure Transparent, Efficient and Consistent Regulation of Land Development in Furtherance of the Comprehensive Plan

080467 -- Increase the Amount of Affordable and Low Cost Housing Throughout the City - CCOM Strategic Initiative
080468 -- Improve Coordination with Alachua County in Order to More Effectively Plan And Develop Gainesville's Urban Reserve Area - CCOM Strategic Initiative
080469 -- Continue Implementation of the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness (One Stop Center, Review Ordinances to Increase Beds, etc.) - CCOM Strategic Initiative
080473 -- Continue Annexation Effort In the Urbanized Area In Order to Maintain Social, Economic, and Financial Diversity - CCOM Strategic Initiative
080579 -- Landlord Licensing Late Fees - Reid Fogler - Citizen Comment
080817 -- Citizen Comment - Robert Pearce - Light Trespass Issues
080980 - Design Charrette/Future Use of the 39th Avenue Public Works Compound
090303 - Request for Consideration of Providing Wastewater Service to the City of Waldo
090310 - Sidewalk & Road Improvement Plan
090311 - Utility Infrastructure to Support Small, Urbanized Areas
090322 - Greenbelt Study for City Perimeter
090392 - Vision for East University Avenue to Hawthorne Rd Corridor - 5 Points Area
*090648 - Contaminants from the Cabot-Koppers Superfund Site **

** A request will be made to the City Commission to retitle this item.*

NEXT MEETING DATE

Monday, March 1, 2010 5:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT