

City of Gainesville

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



Minutes

Monday, February 24, 2014

3:00 PM

City Hall, Roberta Lisle Kline Conf. Room 16

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works **Committee**

*Commissioner Lauren Poe, Chair
Commissioner Susan Bottcher, Member
Commissioner Thomas Hawkins, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER - 3:04 PM

ROLL CALL

Present 3 - Poe, Bottcher, and Hawkins

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee adopted the agenda as circulated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[130737.](#) **Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2014 (B).**

RECOMMENDATION *The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee approve the minutes of the January 27, 2014 meeting as submitted.*

Approved as Recommended

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

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

[120722.](#) **Strategic Initiative 6.5: Recreation Master Plan (B)**

This item requests discussion of funding options for the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Master Planning Process.

Members of the Committee discussed alternative funding options for the Master Plan. The Alachua County League of Cities is focused on the transportation surtax and is not concerned if the City pursues a dedicated millage to support its needs versus a County-wide effort. The Committee agreed that the first step in the process is to complete a feasibility study. Outcomes of the feasibility study can be used to determine the order in which projects are completed based on criteria such as need, community interest, necessary repairs, and geographic distribution. .

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs hosted a table at the Town Hall meeting to provide information regarding the Recreation Master Plan. The majority of the citizens at the table were supportive of placing it on the ballot to help fund a 20-year plan. A priority list should be created with a contingency plan or the flexibility to make changes in the future. A portion of the money should be set aside for land conservation.

Committee members recommended that Mr. Phillips include an increment of \$25,000 in his budget to the City Manager for the feasibility study.

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee discuss the funding scenarios for the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Master Plan and provide staff direction for future action.

Discussed

[130502.](#)

Status Update on the City Commission Strategic Initiative 5.1: Assess Neighborhoods to Determine Need for Infrastructure Improvements for Bicycle and Pedestrian Use (B)

Strategic initiatives have been referred to Standing Committees to promote efficient and effective communications streams between elected officials, city staff and Gainesville residents concerning the implementation of the City's Strategic Plan.

Assistant City Manager Paul Folkers introduced this agenda item. Jacob Kain provided a brief update on the construction and installation of Phase I of the Bike Boulevard Project (West 12th Street from SW 8th Avenue to NW 19th Lane and 13th Street). The markings that the City is installing along this route are called "sharrows." These markings indicate a shared space with motorized vehicles when there is no dedicated bike lane. Bike boxes and sign installation continue.

Outreach to educate bicyclists and motorists regarding bike boxes and signage continues. Suggestions for additional outreach included requesting Gainesville Police Department to dedicate a Police Beat episode to bike boxes and to broadcast information on Channel 12.

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works committee hear a presentation from staff.

Discussed

[120969.](#)

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Referrals (B)

This item is to provide an opportunity to discuss and recommend the potential removal of specific items referred to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee by the City Commission.

After a brief discussion of the items currently on the referral list, Commissioner Hawkins made a Motion to remove 100523 City of Gainesville Registry of Protected Public Places Listing and 130455 Ironwood Golf Course Marketing and Restaurant Operations. Commissioner Bottcher requested the Motion be modified to include the removal of 130008 Glen Springs/Elks Lodge/Odum Institute. Commissioner Hawkins modified the Motion. Commissioner Bottcher seconded the Motion. The Motion was approved.

Committee Chair Lauren Poe requested that in 100607 be placed on the March RCAPW agenda and Strategic Initiatives 7.2 and 5.3 be placed on the April RCAPW agenda.

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee discuss the list of items referred to the Committee by the City Commission.

Approved as shown above (See Motion)

MEMBER COMMENT

Commissioner Bottcher requested information about the process to place signs marking the location of Glen Springs. Mr. Folkers stated that he contacted the Water Management District and learned that they do not have a specific program to install signage. Once the watershed is delineated, the City could place signs in the public right-of-way and request private property owners in the watershed area to place signage on their property.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 24, 2014 at 3:00PM in the Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room #16.

ADJOURNMENT - 4:07 PM