City of Gainesville

Update of Strategic Goals and Initiatives from City Commission Strategic Planning Retreat (Dec. 3, 2007)

ON-GOING INITIATIVES

Staff recommends the following initiatives be continued into FY 09/10:

	Goal	Initiatives	Date first Introduced	Commissioner Comments
1	Economic Development and Redevelopment - Foster economic development and encourage redevelopment	Continue implementation of the South East Gainesville Renaissance Redevelopment Initiative (SEGRI Project)	Dec. 2006	
2	Economic Development and Redevelopment - Foster economic development and encourage redevelopment	Continue implementation of the strategic redevelopment plan for Depot Park and GRU area	Dec. 2006	
3	Economic Development and Redevelopment - Foster economic development and encourage redevelopment	Continue to remove barriers (regulation review, project facilitation); Consolidate layers of regulation and consider expanding team to include outside representation	Dec. 2006	
4	Economic Development and Redevelopment - Foster economic development and encourage redevelopment	Continue to position city to take advantage of innovation economy and identify plan for innovation zone near University	Dec. 2006	
5	Government Effectiveness and Fiscal Responsibility - Continue to increase the effectiveness of local government and maintain a strong fiscal condition	Continue annexation initiatives to increase tax base	Dec. 2006	

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6	Government Effectiveness and Fiscal Responsibility - Continue to increase the effectiveness of local government and maintain a strong fiscal condition	Continue to improve communication through increase use of internet for city services, improve the City's website, and develop a strategy for e-commerce	Dec. 2006	
7	Government Effectiveness and Fiscal Responsibility - Continue to increase the effectiveness of local government and maintain a strong fiscal condition	Review alternatives and strategies to increase civic engagement and responsibility, and city's responsiveness	Dec. 2006	Mayor Hanrahan recommended that we add the following activities to this Objective: (1) Study City advisory committee's membership and structure, including the possibility of restructuring committees so that each commissioner has one appointed member on each board; (2) Schedule one city commission meeting in each of the four commission districts each year. Focus on "report cards."; and (3) Establish breakfast meetings with business sectors and interest groups.
8	<i>Human Capital - Assist every person to reach their true potential</i>	Continue implementation of the 10 year plan to end homelessness (one stop center, review ordinances to increase beds, etc.)	Dec. 2006	
9	Infrastructure and Transportation - Invest in community infrastructure and continue to enhance the transportation network and systems	Continue to enhance mobility: traffic signalization, transit enhancement, congestion mitigation, trails and sidewalks	Dec. 2006	
10	Infrastructure and Transportation - Invest in community infrastructure and continue to enhance the transportation network and systems	Complete capital projects at parks – improve programs; Develop land conservation and acquisition program (biodiversity, passive recreation)	Dec. 2006	

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11	Infrastructure and Transportation - Invest in community infrastructure and continue to enhance the transportation network and systems	Continue supporting the reconstruction of transportation facilities to encourage redevelopment (6th Street, Depot Avenue)	Dec. 2006	
13	Partnerships/Intergovernmental Relationships - Champion effective and institutionalized relationships with other government entities and community partners	Continue formalization of relationships with other community partners, especially UF and Santa Fe Community College, in regards to the downtown area and the Innovation Zone (K-12 – infrastructure sales tax – renovation; Santa Fe – downtown campus, workforce); Increase involvement of City in improving quality of City schools (ex. Raising Canes program)	Dec. 2006	
14	Public Safety - Maintain a safe and healthy community in which to live	Develop and continue programs to reduce the causes of crime (ex. Dispute Resolution Center, Community-oriented policing)	Dec. 2006	
15	Public Safety - Maintain a safe and healthy community in which to live	Ensure there are appropriate staff levels for police and fire and review deployment of staff	Dec. 2006	