City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 30, 2011

2:00 PM

City Hall, Room 16

Equal Opportunity Committee

Commissioner Randy Wells, Chair Commissioner Scherwin Henry, Member Commissioner Susan Bottcher, Member

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CALL TO ORDER - 2:09 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Scherwin Henry, Randy Wells and Susan Bottcher

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

ATTENDEES

Cecil Howard, EO Director Ron Combs, Senior Assistant City Attorney Fred Murry, Assistant City Manager Kelsey Veitengruber, Intern, Attorney's Office Candasy Tolbert, Staff Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

110055. Equal Opportunity Committee (EOC) Minutes (B)

RECOMMENDATION The EOC approve the minutes of 04/11/11 as circulated.

Approved as Recommended

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

100419. Local and Minority Business Opportunities in City Projects (NB)

The EOC continued discussion of the City's SBE and SBP Programs by developing ways to increase spending on small business and minority firms, and EO Director Cecil Howard gave a report on GRUs recent Small Business Fair and the upcoming Florida Minority Supplier Development Council (FMSDC) Annual Business Fair and Conference.

Chair Wells recognized EO Director Cecil Howard and Assistant City Manager Fred Murry who spoke to the matter.

MOTION: The EOC direct staff to: 1) have GRU make a presentation to the City Commission on the process of building the GRU maintenance headquarters; 2) craft a resolution that encourage and build capacity and opportunity for local businesses to participate in City government's capital building (not limiting but including)

projects; and 3) report back to the EOC.

RECOMMENDATION The Equal Opportunity Committee: 1) continue discussion of

the usage of local small businesses in the City's own SBE and

SBPP programs, and 2) take appropriate action.

This matter was Approved as shown above (See Motion). The motion carried.

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MEMBER COMMENT

STAFF COMMENT

EO Director Cecil Howard gave a presentation on the Demographic and Geographic Analysis of the City's Advisory Boards and Committees.

EO Director Cecil Howard briefly explained two initiatives of the Office of Equal Opportunity's budget: 1) Gainesville Enrichment Mentoring (GEM), and 2) Report on Gainesville's Children.

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT - 4:15 PM