City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 30, 2001

6:00 PM

City Commission Special Meeting
City Hall, Room 016

City Commission

Mayor Paula M. DeLaney (At-Large)
Commissioner Warren Nielsen (At-Large)
Commissioner Chuck Chestnut (District 1)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem John R. Barrow (District 2)
Commissioner Pegeen Hanrahan (District 3)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chuck Chestnut, Warren Nielsen, Pegeen Hanrahan, John R. Barrow and Paula M. DeLaney

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem John R. Barrow moved and Commissioner Warren Nielsen seconded to adopt the Agenda. (VOTE: 5-0)

CITY MANAGER

001257 Emergency Southern Pine Beetle Suppression Program (B)

City of Gainesville Arborist Meg Neiderhofer and Administrative Services Director Glenda Currie gave presentations.

MOTION ONE: Commissioner Pegeen Hanrahan moved and Commissioner Chuck Chestnut seconded to approve Resolution # 001257 declaring a tree emergency (Section 1 of the recommendation). (VOTE: 5-0)

Chair Paula M. DeLaney recognized Senior Manager of the Division of Forestry Don West, Bill Gaston from Gaston's Tree Service, Citizen Forest Lisle, CEO of American Tree Care Services Wesley Sapp, and Citizen Marilyn Walker who spoke to the matter.

MOTION TWO: Commissioner Pegeen Hanrahan moved and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem John R. Barrow seconded to: Approve Resolution #001271 creating the Technical Advisory Committee on Southern Pine Beetle suppression (Section 2 of the recommendation), 2) approve the people listed on the membership log attached to the resolution in the back-up; and also appointing Dr. John Foltz of the University of Florida as the Chair.

(VOTE: 5-0)

MOTION THREE: Commissioner Pegeen Hanrahan moved and Commissioner Chuck Chestnut seconded to approve Section 3 with an amendment of the recommendation to read "allocate up to \$100,000" instead of "allocate \$100,000". (VOTE: 5-0)

RECOMMENDATION The City Commission: 1) Approve a resolution declaring a tree emergency in the urban forest due to the imminent threat

of destruction of pine trees by infestation of southern pine beetles; adopting an emergency pine beetle suppression program; and providing an immediate effective date; 2) Approve a resolution creating the Technical Advisory Committee on Southern Pine Beetle suppression; providing for the appointment and terms of its members; providing for the appointment of a chair; defining its powers and duties; providing for the dissolution of the committee; and providing an immediate effective date; and 3) approve the Emergency Southern Pine Beetle Suppression Program and allocate \$100,000 in emergency funds from the General Fund mandated reserve.

Approved, as shown above

001266 Comprehensive Plan Update (NB)

City of Gainesville Community Development Director Tom Saunders and Planning Manager Ralph Hilliard gave presentations.

Chair Paula M. DeLaney recognized Citizens Diane Deevey, Paula Stahmer, Marilyn Walker and Robert Pearce who spoke to the matter.

NOTE: The City Commission directed the Clerk of the Commission to schedule a public workshop regarding Comprehensive Plan elements for Thursday, May 31, 2001, between 6:00 & 7:00 PM. and work with Mr. Saunders to find an appropriate location.

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss an appropriate time, location and format for an additional workshop on the proposed Comprehensive Plan elements updates.

Discussed

CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

001184 General Issues (NB)

Mayor-Commissioner John R. Barrow - Requested that the City, the County and the School Board begin discussions regarding re-opening Kirby Smith.

Chair Paula M. DeLaney recognized Citizen Mark Goldstein who made comments.

Commissioner Warren Nielsen - Need for NE Library

RECOMMENDATION The City Commission discuss general issues.

Discussed

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission