City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 6, 2010

3:00 PM

City Hall, Room 16

Equal Opportunity Committee

Commissioner Warren Nielsen, Chair Commissioner Scherwin Henry, Member Commissioner Randy Wells, Member

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CALL TO ORDER - 3:12 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Warren Nielsen, Scherwin Henry and Randy Wells

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Equal Opportunity Committee (EOC) moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as circulated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

100528. Equal Opportunity Committee (EOC) Minutes (B)

RECOMMENDATION The EOC approve the minutes of 11/2/10 as circulated.

Approved as Recommended

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

090589. Addressing the Issue of Socio-economic Status of Families with Children (B)

The EOC reviewed and accepted final changes made to the report on Socio-economic status of Gainesville's Children as prepared by Dr. Janice K. Stowell and referred this issue back to the City Commission.

Chair Neilsen recognized EO Director Cecil Howard who spoke to the matter.

MOTION: The Equal Opportunity Committee 1) accept final report as presented; 2) authorize EO Director to circulate report to interested partners within the community; and 3) present this item at the January City Commission Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION The Equal Opportun

The Equal Opportunity Committee: 1) review updates as presented; 2) accept finalized report as presented; 3) authorize EO Director to circulate report to interested partners within the community; and 4) report findings to the full City Commission.

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

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

The Equal Opportunity Committee (EOC) heard a presentation from EO Director Cecil Howard on local and minority business program in the city of Memphis, TN.

Chair Neilsen recognized Assistant City Manager Fred Murry who spoke to the matter.

MOTION: The EOC direct staff to: 1) survey three (GRU Station, Public Works, and CRA) recent projects; 2) see what local contractors are available to see who bid and who won bid; see why those who bid did not win; and see why those who did not bid, didn't; and 3) report back to the Committee at the March meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

The Equal Opportunity Committee: 1) discuss the issue of local and minority business opportunities in City projects; 2) hear a presentation from the Equal Opportunity Director on local and minority business program in the City of Memphis; 3) take appropriate action; and 4) report back to the City Commission.

A motion was made that this matter be Approved as shown above (See Motion). The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Warren Nielsen, Scherwin Henry and Randy Wells

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MEMBER COMMENT - None

CITIZEN COMMENT - None

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT - 4:30 PM