

# **City of Gainesville**

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



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, August 23, 2011**

**5:15 PM**

**City Hall, Room 16**

## **Community Development Committee**

*Commissioner Thomas Hawkins, Chair  
Commissioner Susan Bottcher, Member  
Commissioner Scherwin Henry, Member*

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## CALL TO ORDER - 5:20PM

## ROLL CALL

Present: Scherwin Henry, Thomas Hawkins and Susan Bottcher

## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

*The Community Development Committee approved the August 23, 2011 agenda as circulated.*

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### 110272. Community Development Committee Minutes of July 26, 2011 (B)

*The Community Development Committee approved July 26, 2011 minutes as circulated.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The Community Development Committee approve the July 26, 2011 Minutes as circulated.*

#### **Approved as Recommended**

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## DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 100922. Review of Pending Referrals (B)

*The Committee Development Committee heard an overview report of all the Committee Development Committee referrals from staff Erik Bredfeldt, Director of Planning and Development Services.*

#### *MOTION:*

*Commissioner Henry moved and Commissioner Bottcher seconded: Remove referral item number 061025 - Landlord License Fees for Non-Conforming Uses from the pending referrals list.*

*Vote: 3 Ayes and the Motion passed.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The Community Development Committee review and approve the pending referral list and proposed action schedule prepared by staff.*

#### **Approved as shown above (See Motion)**

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**090737.****Historic Preservation Issues - Referral to the Community Development Committee (B)**

*The Committee Development Committee heard an overview report from D Henrichs, Historic Preservation Planner, City of Gainesville, on several items regarding the status of future historic districts and prospects for a community Main Street Program. Supplementary information was reviewed by the Committee regarding the City's Historic Preservation program as well.*

*Commissioner Bottcher indicated to staff to further look into more sidewalk bronze plaques in the Civil War Downtown area.*

*Commissioner Hawkins expressed to staff to pursue the Chert Structures (construction in 1910s and 1920s) for further evaluation in the local nomination process. This collection of nearly 150 structures are in the City's most historic neighborhoods as College Park, University Heights, University Park, Golfview Estates and Hibiscus Park to name a few.*

**MOTION:**

*Commissioner Henry moved, Commissioner Bottcher seconded: To direct staff to explore pursuing a thematic historic district based upon the existing community's stock of Chert Structures.*

*Vote: 3 Ayes and the Motion passed.*

**MOTION:**

*Commissioner Bottcher moved, Commissioner Henry seconded: To direct staff to pursue the placement of Civil War commemoration plaques in areas around downtown and Depot Avenue in order to bring attention to the Battle of Gainesville.*

*Vote: 3 Ayes and the Motion passed.*

**MOTION:**

*Commissioner Bottcher moved, Commissioner Henry seconded: This item be removed from the referral list.*

*Vote: 3 Ayes and the Motion passed.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*The Community Development Committee hear an update from staff and provide direction as appropriate.*

**Approved, as shown above - See Motion(s)**

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090737A\_Memo - Historic Preservation\_20110823.pdf  
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**100668.****Vehicle Parking in Multi-Family Residential Zoning Districts within the University Context Area (B)**

**This item was referred by the City Commission to the Community Development Committee to review the issue of vehicle parking conditions on private property located in Multi-Family residential zoning districts.**

*The Community Development Committee heard an overview report and a presentation from staff, Chris Cooper, Interim Code Enforcement Manager regarding the regulations and provisions of this section apply to any property that is a RMF-5, RMF-6, RMF-7, RMF-8, RH-1, RH-2, UMU-1, UMU-2, RMU, OR or O Zoning district and is located within the University of Florida Context Area. Staff handed out a three page synopsis explaining code enforcement issues vs zoning.*

*Chair Hawkins, Commissioner Bottcher and Commissioner Henry and staff spoke to the matter. The Community Development Committee directed staff what to strike, and what to add to the summary presented.*

*Citizen Mr. Daley and Mrs. Daley spoke to the matter urging the Committee not to over regulate for the mass resulting in adverse consequences for the residences that are currently in compliance.*

*MOTION: By consensus the Committee agreed to close discussion for now in the absence of further comments.*

**RECOMMENDATION**      *The Community Development Committee: 1) receive a draft of vehicle parking regulations; and 2) approve vehicle parking regulations with a recommendation to the City Commission to initiate a petition to the Plan Board.*

**No Action Taken**

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100668B\_Map\_20110726.pdf  
100668\_Draft Regulations\_20110823.pdf

**MEMBER COMMENT**

*Commissioner Henry expressed his concerns about comments to staff at last Thursday's City Commission meeting regarding the MU, Mixed Use Districts zoning comments, (Legistar item 110205).*

*Commissioner Henry recognized the hard work that staff put into this project and commended staff's performance, however, he further suggested that since the item*

*came out of the Community Development Committee, that the Committee is the place where issues about an item should be hashed out to reach a definitive solution.*

*Chair Hawkins thanked Commissioner Henry for his comments and offered an apology to staff if that was the case at the last City Commission meeting.*

*Commissioner Henry requested that the agenda item come back to the Community Development Committee for evaluation as to what is not being done to reach a resolution satisfactory to all.*

*MOTION: By consensus the Committee agreed to bring back the Mixed Use Districts - Activity Center agenda item (110205) referral back to the Community Development Committee's referral list for further review.*

## **CITIZEN COMMENT**

**NEXT MEETING DATE - Tuesday, September 27, 2011 @ 5:15 PM**

**ADJOURNMENT - 6:50PM**