

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

July 27, 2006

3:00 PM

City Commission Special Meeting

City Hall Auditorium

City Commission

***Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan (At Large)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Craig Lowe (District 4)
Commissioner Rick Bryant (At Large)
Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa (At Large)
Commissioner Scherwin Henry (District 1)
Commissioner Ed Braddy (District 2)
Commissioner Jack Donovan (District 3)***

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CALL TO ORDER

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

AGENDA STATEMENT

"Citizens are encouraged to participate in City of Gainesville meetings. In general, speakers will be limited to 3 (three) minutes per agenda item. Additional time may be granted by the Mayor or by the City Commission as directed. The City of Gainesville encourages civility in public discourse and requests that speakers limit their comments to specific motions and direct their comments to the Chair. Citizens are encouraged to provide comments in writing to the Clerk of the Commission before meetings and/or during meetings for inclusion into the public record. Citizens may also provide input to individual commissioners via office visits, phone calls, letters and e-Mail, that will become public record. (In some instances, i.e., Quasi-Judicial Hearings, these particular contacts may be prohibited. Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in this meeting are requested to notify the Office of Equal Opportunity at 334-5051 or call the TDD phone line at 334-2069 at least two business days in advance.)"

ROLL CALL

CITY MANAGER

060220

FY06-08 Outside Agency Funding (NB)

This item requests that the City Commission approve the funding recommendation of the Gainesville/Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board (GACCAB) for the Outside Agency cultural grants program, which is budgeted for a total of \$60,000.

Explanation: The Gainesville/Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board uses the Cultural Plan to evaluate Outside Agency grant applications, assessing each application for its ability to meet criteria specified in the Plan, including arts and cultural accessibility, education and audience development.

A public scoring workshop was conducted on April 12, 2006 to review applications and at its May 10th meeting, the GACCAB approved final funding recommendations.

Applications were received from fourteen agencies this year, twelve of which are recommended for funding. Of the remaining two applications, one agency was ineligible for consideration, and the other did not score sufficient points to receive funding. Evaluation of applicants takes into consideration the City's Cultural Plan, the applicants' fiscal and artistic history, verification of 501 (c) 3 status as a "not-for-profit" agency, and how well the agency's application meets specific criteria outlined in the grant guidelines such as, audience development, project management and program merit. Prior to submitting their applications, all applicants are provided with a complete copy of evaluative criteria.

Applicants must score 75 points or better to be eligible for funds.

In keeping with the City's two-year budget cycle, grant awards are for a two-year period, similar to granting procedures of the State's Division of Cultural Affairs. Applicants' requests and award amounts are based on a tiered funding system for small, medium and large agencies, with request caps based on agencies' last closed fiscal year expenditures budget. This results in awards more closely aligned with each agency's operational needs.

Fiscal Note: Funding for Outside Agency grants is set at \$60,000. This funding level has been consistent since FY1997 and is targeted toward smaller cultural arts agencies. The Cultural Affairs Division also allocates \$85,000 in funding for a category called Professional Arts Producing Institutions which targets larger cultural arts agencies.

The recommended funding allocations for the Outside Agency grants are as follows:

<i>Agency Name</i>	<i>Budget & Grants</i>
<i>Recommended Award</i>	
<i>Alachua Cty Hist Trust/Matheson Museum</i>	<i>\$6,175</i>
<i>Cultural Arts Coalition</i>	<i>\$5,271</i>
<i>Gainesville Association for Creative Arts</i>	<i>\$6,772</i>
<i>Gainesville Ballet Theater</i>	<i>\$7,884</i>
<i>Gainesville Community Playhouse</i>	<i>\$6,853</i>
<i>Gainesville Youth Chorus</i>	<i>\$7,045</i>
<i>Total - Large Agencies:</i>	<i>\$40,000</i>
<i>Acrosstown Rep Theater</i>	<i>\$3,877</i>
<i>Danscompany</i>	<i>\$4,610</i>
<i>Gainesville Friends of Jazz</i>	<i>\$4,838</i>
<i>Total - Medium Agencies:</i>	<i>\$13,325</i>
<i>Gainesville Community Band</i>	<i>\$2,463</i>
<i>Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus</i>	<i>\$2,300</i>
<i>North Central FL Blues Society</i>	<i>\$1,912</i>
<i>Total - Small Agencies:</i>	<i>\$6,675</i>
<i>GRAND TOTAL:</i>	<i>\$60,000</i>

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission 1) hear a brief presentation by Gainesville/Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board Chair Deborah Howard, regarding FY06-08 Outside Agency cultural grant awards; and 2) approve the FY06-08 Outside Agency cultural grant awards as recommended by the Gainesville/Alachua County Cultural Affairs Board.

Alternative Recommendation A: The City Commission 1) hear the Board's presentation; and 2) decline the recommendation.

060256**FY 2006-07 Funding Recommendations and Annual Action Plan (Application) for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Funds. (B)**

The City Commission is being asked to consider recommendations for allocating CDBG and HOME funds for FY 2006-07 and authorize the submission of an Annual Action Plan (application) to HUD based on the allocations that are approved by the City Commission.

Explanation: Each year, part of the City's CDBG funds is set aside for the City Housing Division, Block Grant Administration and Public Works projects. Likewise, part of the City's HOME funds is set aside for the City Housing Division and Block Grant Administration. This year, an additional \$28,500 has been set aside for a City playground improvement project and \$50,000 for a homeless capital initiative. The remaining CDBG and HOME funds are made available to nonprofit outside agencies and other public agencies through a competitive process that involves review and recommendations by the Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development (CACCD).

The CACCD has formulated its recommendations on allocating the "competitive" CDBG and HOME funds as outlined in its report to the City Commission. Copies of the CDBG and HOME applications that were reviewed by the CACCD are on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Commission. The City Manager's recommendations for funding the City Housing Division, Block Grant Administration, Public Works, and other set-asides are outlined in the Special Revenue Fund section of the proposed FY 2006-07 General Government Financial and Operating Plan.

The Annual Action Plan outlines the specific agencies and activities to be funded through CDBG and HOME in the next fiscal year. It will be based on decisions made by the City Commission at the July 27, 2006, budget workshop regarding FY 2006-07 CDBG and HOME funding allocations. The City's Annual Action Plan must be submitted to HUD by August 14, 2006.

Fiscal Note: The total projected CDBG and HOME program expenditures for FY 2006-07 is \$2,395,337. Sources of funds are: CDBG - \$1,479,481 and HOME - \$915,856.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Motion: The City Commission: 1) consider recommendations from the CACCD and City Manager and take action as appropriate to allocate FY 2006-07 CDBG and HOME funds; 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to prepare and submit the FY 2006-07 Annual Action Plan (Application), including all understandings and assurances contained therein, to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for financial assistance under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program and to act on behalf of the City of Gainesville in all matters pertaining to the CDBG and HOME Programs; and 3) authorize the City Manager to

execute subrecipient agreements with those outside agencies that are designated to receive FY 2006-07 CDBG and HOME funding, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Alternative Recommendation A: The City Commission consider recommendations from the CACCD and City Manager and defer action until a later date.

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FY2007 and FY2008 Advisory Boards Budget and Workplan (B)

This item is to review the workplans submitted by each Advisory Board, a status of their 2006 accomplishments and budget requests for FY07 and FY08.

Explanation: The Advisory Boards of the City of Gainesville present their workplans to the City Commission for approval during each budget cycle, along with a request for funds.

Fiscal Note: An amount of \$20,000 has been allocated in the proposed budgets for FY07 and FY08. The City Manager's recommendation does not exceed the amount allocated.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission: 1) hear a presentation from Advisory Boards; and 2) approve the City Manager's recommendation for allocation of \$20,000 for Advisory Boards' funding for FY07-FY08.

NOTE: Document is available for viewing in the Clerk's Office.

GENERAL MANAGER FOR UTILITIES - (If Needed)

060235

Gainesville Regional Utilities FY 2007/2008 Budgets (NB)

Explanation: Staff will present and discuss the Gainesville Regional Utilities budget

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission hear a presentation from GRU on the FY2007/2008 budgets.

Legislative History

7/17/06	City Commission	Discussed
7/18/06	City Commission	No Action Taken
7/20/06	City Commission	No Action Taken

ADJOURNMENT