

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, December 3, 2014

1:00 PM

Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room

Community Development Committee

*Commissioner Craig Carter, Chair
Commissioner Randy Wells, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER - 1:20 PM

ROLL CALL

Present 2 - Commissioner Wells, and Carter

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Adopted

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Adopted

[140509.](#) Community Development Minutes of November 5, 2014 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The Community Development Committee approve the Minutes of November 5, 2014 as circulated.*

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

[130591.](#) Review of Pending CDC Referrals (B)

Planning and Development Services Director Steve Dush briefed the Committee members on each referral item listed. Chair Carter ask that staff check on the Landlord Permit referral item.

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

Approved by Consensus

[121111.](#) Inter-city Bus Travel (B)

The Community Development Committee heard an update on this item from Planning and Development Services Director Steve Dush and the Committee discussed the update report from the Regional Transit System staff Department Marketing and Communications Supervisor Chip Skinner and Transit Planning Chief Matt Muller . The Committee deliberated and after discussion, the following motion was made by Commissioner Wells and was approved unanimously.

MOTION: The Community Development Committee request the City Commission remove this item from the Community Development Committee referral list.

RECOMMENDATION *The Community Development Committee hear a staff report-back presentation and direct staff as appropriate*

Approved as shown above (See Motion)

130091.

Gainesville Police Department (GPD) Off-site Improvements

This recommendation was developed and forwarded by the Community Development Committee to address off-site concerns related to the new GPD Headquarters.

The Community Development Committee heard a staff presentation from GPD Lt. David Rowe reporting that the on-street parking suggestion for NW 6th Street was voted down by the City Commission as they needed to maintain the turn lane closer to NW 8th Avenue for people to turn right (east) at the GPD building. The bus stop in front of GPD on NW 6th Street will not be moving. The cost to install a traffic control mast arm at NW 8th Avenue and 6th Street will be, at a minimum, \$450,000. The City would have to pay approximately 75% of that cost even though it is on a state road. The costs to move the concrete utility pole on the corner directly in front of GPD would be approximately \$500,000 because it is a main electrical feeder that would entail rerouting power lines further west along NW 8th Avenue. So the overall costs for just rerouting utility lines and installing a traffic control mast arm could conceivably exceed \$1,000,000. Therefore, it is GPD's recommendation to remove this project from any further consideration by the Community Development Committee due to the significant costs involved.

After the Community Development Committee deliberated the options presented, the Committee ask that staff submit a final report of this item to distinguish the power line problem and project cost break-out of each of on-street parking and the bus stop in the final report for submission to the full City Commission for removal from the CDC referral list.

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee hear a discussion from GPD Lt David Rowe and consider GPD's recommendation to remove this project from any further consideration by the Community Development Committee due to the significant costs involved.

Discussed

130596.

Affordable Housing Issues

The Community Development Committee discussed the various elements from affordable housing issues and heard from Elliot Levy and his teammates from UF stating that a competition is held every year between 85 university schools for the purpose of research, design and to implement a full public relations campaign. This year the client is an organization called Home Matters that was recently established to deal with affordable housing and other housing issues in the United States. And the Team hopes to help raise awareness and to help bring the community around to these issues and help to engage the community. The Team intends to provide deliverables to bring a permanent impact in the Gainesville community.

With respect to the reclassification merge into new replacement referral entitled Achievable Housing be created with the purpose of advancing Strategic Initiative 6.1: Ensure the quality and broad distribution of affordable housing throughout the City.

The four housing items to be merged are:

- 1. Referral #130596, Affordable Housing Issues;*
- 2. Referral #140070, Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls-Proposal for Affordable Housing;*

3. Referral #130506, Strategic Initiative 6.1-Ensure the quality and broad distribution of affordable housing throughout the City; and
4. Referral #130958, Small Affordable Apartments.

The Community Development Committee heard the merge logistics from Planning and Development Services Director Steve Dush and the Committee discussed and determined the following motion, made by Commissioner Wells, was in order and was approved unanimously.

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RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee:

I. REMOVE

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II. ADD Replacement Referral

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Discussed

[140070.](#)

Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls - Proposal for Affordable Housing

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Deferred

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Strategic Initiative 6.1 - Ensure the quality and broad distribution of affordable housing throughout the City

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CDC CHARTER/SCOPE DISCUSSION

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

Don Shepherd shared his views and support for affordable housing.

NEXT MEETING DATE

January 7, 2015 at 1:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT - 3:00 PM