City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 26, 2006

2:30 PM

City Hall Basement Room 016

Economic Development/University Community Com

Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan, Chair Commissioner Jack Donovan, Member Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Member/Alternate

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present: Pegeen Hanrahan, Jack Donovan and Jeanna Mastrodicasa

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS AND STAFF

Ex Officio Members:

* Dr. Bernard Machen, President

University of Florida

Designee: Ed Poppell, Vice President of the University of Florida

* Brent Christensen, CEO

Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce

* Dr. Jackson Sasser, President

Santa Fe Community College

Designee alternate: Guy York, VP of College & Govnt Relations

* President

University of Florida Faculty Senate

Student Government President

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Santa Fe Community College

Dr. Dan Boyd - Alachua County School Board

Designee alternate: Wes Eubank

* TBD - Alachua County Board of County Commissioners

EDUCC Staff:

* Erik A. Bredfeldt, Economic Development Director City of Gainesville

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The EDUCC adopted the October 26, 2006 agenda as circulated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

060564. **Economic Development/University Community Committee (EDUCC) Minutes of September 28, 2006 (B)**

The EDUCC adopted the September 28, 2006 minutes as circulated.

RECOMMENDATION The EDUCC adopt the September 28, 2006 meeting minutes as circulated.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

050835 Gainesville/UF/Santa Fe Innovation Zone (B)

The EDUCC heard a status report from staff on the Waldo Road Sign Standards. The Waldo Sign Standards deals with the provision of sign standards along the Waldo Road Corridor.

The EDUCC directed staff to take this item to the City Commission.

RECOMMENDATION The EDUCC hear a presentation by staff of the Gainesville/UF/Santa Fe Innovation Zone.

Discussed

Innovation Zone MAP .pdf

REFERRAL LIST

Legistar titles and numbers are listed below:

040171 -- WI FI Proposal and Community Telecommunications

040487 -- City Storm Water Regulations Modification; the City & CRA Pursue

040490 -- Urban Parking Facilities & Funding Mechanism

040493 -- EDUCC Communications & Marketing Recommendations

050399 -- Civic Lights

050835 -- Gainesville/UF/Santa Fe Innovation Zone

ADJOURN 3:30pm EDUCC Business Meeting

RECONVENE 3:45pm City Commission Auditorium

The EDUCC heard a presentation from Michael Shuman, an attorney and economist, who is Vice President for Enterprise Development for the Training & Development Corporation (TDC) of Bucksport, Maine. He has written, co-written, or edited seven books, including most recently, The Small Mart Revolution, How Local Businesses Are Beating the Global Competition (Berrett Koehler, 2006) and Going Local: Creating Self-Reliant Communities in the Global Age. (Free Press, 1998)

The City Commission referred a request from Christian Newman, President for the Business Alliance of Greater Gainesville (BAGG), for a joint community meeting with Michael Shuman, an Attorney and Economist, (the keynote speaker for the Campus & Community Sustainability Conference, October 25-26, 2006). The EDUCC incorporated the City Commission referral into the October 26, 2006 meeting.

A video copy of Michael Shuman's presentation can be obtained through the City of Gainesville Economic Development Department.