

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Agenda

January 8, 2015

1:00 PM

City Hall, Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works

Committee

Commissioner Lauren Poe, Chair
Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls, Member
Commissioner Helen Warren, Member

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[140500.](#)

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2014 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works
Committee approve the minutes of the October 9,
2014 meeting as submitted.*

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[140500_Draft Oct 9 2014 Minutes_20150108.pdf](#)

[140567.](#)

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2014 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works
Committee approve the minutes of the November
13, 2014 meeting as submitted.*

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DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

[140581.](#)

Paynes Prairie Sheet Flow Project Operations (B)

**This item is a referral from the December 4, 2014 Gainesville City
Commission meeting, moving this topic to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs
and Public Works Committee for further discussion and exploration of
options.**

*Explanation: During the December 4, 2014 City Commission meeting, Commissioner
Helen Warren motioned to refer the Paynes Prairie Sheet Flow Project
operations alternatives and costs to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and
Public Works Committee. Staff was asked to please invite
representatives of GRU, the Audubon Society and Sierra Club to the
meeting for discussion of this matter.*

*Fiscal Note: Currently the City's General Government budget does not have funding
allocated for operation of the public access elements of the Paynes*

Prairie Sheet Flow project. Discussion by the Committee of options is anticipated to yield some recommendations regarding identification of fiscal resources for the public access.

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee: 1) hear a presentation from staff regarding the status of the Paynes Prairie Sheet Flow project; and 2) explore options for opening the park for public use.

[140581 Staff Presentation 20150108.pdf](#)

[130508.](#)

Strategic Initiative 6.3: Identify Steps of Implementation for the Parks, Recreation, & Cultural Affairs Master Plan and Continued Acquisition of Conservation Land (B)

This item provides a recommendation for updating the Master Plan; an updated land acquisition list for approval; a list of projects by priority; and funding options. *estimated staff presentation is 30 minutes*

Explanation: At the November 15, 2012 meeting, the City Commission approved the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Master Plan and directed staff to return to the Commission at a later date with funding option scenarios.

At the July 30 and September 23, 2013, Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee meetings, various funding options were presented. Two options were discussed in-depth: A) a dedicated millage increase, and B) a county-wide sales tax similar to Wild Spaces Public Places. Committee members agreed to have discussions with area municipal elected officials and county commissioners to determine interest in pursuing a county-wide sales tax.

On November 25, 2013, staff presented an economic analysis of the Wild Spaces Public Places impact on local businesses that were contracted to provide services for design and construction projects. An analysis of Wild Spaces Public Places project expenditures that remained in the City, Alachua County, the Region, the State and outside of Florida was completed.

On January 27, 2014, staff was directed to return at a later date to have further discussion on the funding options and to prepare a detailed list of projects to be funded by priority. In addition, staff was directed to recommend a policy and procedure for updating the Plan as well as adding projects to the Master Plan. This presentation was originally scheduled for fall 2014 but was postponed until January, 2015 due to other issues.

The total cost to implement the Master Plan over a twenty year period in November 2012, was projected at \$55,136,000 plus \$2,751,800 in ongoing maintenance cost for a total cost of \$57,887,800. The total cost

of the Master Plan today with additional items added is \$78,786,529. This includes \$3,608,245 in annual operation and maintenance cost for new facilities and programs and \$2,866,596 in project management.

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee: 1) approve the recommendation for updating the Master Plan; 2) discuss and recommend approval to the City Commission of the land acquisitions identified in the Master Plan; 3) provide input and feedback on the Project Prioritization List; 4) discuss the funding scenarios for the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Master Plan; and 5) provide staff direction for future action.

[130508A_Master Plan Presentation_20150108_.pdf](#)

[130508B_Achievements List_20150108.pdf](#)

[130508C_Master Plan Prioritization List_20150108.pdf](#)

[130508D_Master Plan Recommendations_20150108.pdf](#)

[140180.](#)

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Referrals (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee review and prioritize the list of pending referrals.

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MEMBER COMMENT

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NEXT MEETING DATE - Thursday, Feb. 12, 2015 at 1:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT