# **City of Gainesville**

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



# **Meeting Agenda**

January 20, 2005 9:00 AM

City Hall, Ground Floor, Room 16

## **Public Safety Committee**

Commissioner Tony Domenech, Chair Commissioner Ed Braddy, Member

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Public Safety Committee adopt the agenda as presented.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Public Safety Committee approve the minutes of the December 16, 2004 PSC meeting as presented.

## DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

## 030125 Public Safety Involvement in Site Plan and Land Review Process (NB)

The Public Safety Committee hear a six month update from GPD staff on police involvement in the site plan review process, and take action as deemed appropriate.

## **RECOMMENDATION** The City Commission refer to the Public Safety

Committee public safety's (Police and Fire) involvement in the site plan and land development review process.

## Legislative History

6/23/03	City Commission	Referred (6 - 0 - 1 Absent) Public Safety Committee
1/20/04	Public Safety	Discussed
	Committee	
2/19/04	Public Safety	Discussed
	Committee	
3/18/04	Public Safety	Discussed
	Committee	
7/13/04	Public Safety	Discussed
	Committee	
8/9/04	City Commission	Approved as Recommended (6 - 0 - 1 Absent)

## 040547 Dangerous Dogs Issues (NB)

The Public Safety Committee hear recommendations from Alachua County Animal Services Director, input from citizens and staff, and take appropriate action.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>	The City Commission refer the broad issue of
	dangerous dogs to the Public Safety Committee.

#### Legislative History

10/11/04	City Commission	Referred (7 - 0)	Public Safety Committee
11/17/04	Public Safety	Discussed	
	Committee		
12/16/04	Public Safety	Discussed	
	Committee		

## 040424 Discussion with University of Florida Student Government (NB)

Staff Recommendation: The Public Safety Committee begin discussions on this referral of September 14, 2004.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u> The Public Safety Committee begin discussions on this

referral, hear from interested citizens and student

government, and take action as necessary.

Legislative History

9/14/04 City Commission Referred (7 - 0) Public Safety Committee

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# 040842 Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund Funding for Night Vision Goggles (NB)

The Public Safety Committee approve forwarding this item to the full City Commission.

Explanation: On July 8, 1996, the City Commission approved the Inter-Agency Agreement for a Joint Aviation Unit between the Alachua County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) and the City of Gainesville's Police Department. The Gainesville Police

Department Aviation Unit operates one OH-6 helicopter and staffs one full-time aircrew (pilot and tactical flight officer). This request is to purchase two (2) sets of Night Vision Goggles (NVG's) for use while conducting night flights. NVG's are safety equipment that allow the flight crew to safely land the helicopter at night in case of an emergency. The use of NVG's has prevented helicopter crashes in several jurisdictions that have used them during actual emergencies. NVG's also provide a visual enhancement during nighttime hours and can assist police officers on the ground in locating criminal suspects and missing persons. The cost for two (2) pair of NVG's and the necessary mounting hardware is not

Fiscal Note: Funds for this expenditure are available in the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund and is allowable per Federal 21 U.S.C. § 881, found in the U.S. Department of Justice "A Guide to Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property for State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies." The balance in this account is \$2,177,347.90. The balance is adjusted to account for pending items.

**RECOMMENDATION** The City Commission approve the appropriation and

expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$21,000 from the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund for the purchase of Night Vision Goggles

for the Joint Aviation Unit.

## DISCUSSION OF SCHEDULING PENDING REFERRALS

expected to exceed \$21,000.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

February 17, 2005, 9:00 a.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**