

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 1, 2008

5:00 PM

Joint City/County Commission Special Meeting

Jack Durrance Auditorium

City Commission

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

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CALL TO ORDER - 5:02 PM

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Lowe moved and Commissioner Mastrodicasa seconded to adopt the agenda, as modified.

(VOTE: 4-0, Commissioners Braddy, Bryant and Henry - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

MODIFICATION: Add a Power Point presentation by Mr. Robert Pearce.

ROLL CALL

Present: Edward Braddy, Pegeen Hanrahan, Rick Bryant, Craig Lowe, Jack Donovan, Jeanna Mastrodicasa and Scherwin Henry

071173. EPA Update to City and County Commissions on Progress of Cabot Koppers Superfund Site (B)

STAFF PRESENTATION: Alachua County Director of Environmental Protection Chris Bird, Alachua County Environmental Protection Engineer Dr. John Mousa and GRU Supervising Design Engineer Rick Hutton gave presentations.

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (USEPA) PRESENTATION: Remedial Project Manager Scott Miller, Hydrogeologist Bill Osteen, EPA Remedial Project Manager Wayne Reiber, Alachua County Health Department Assistant Director Paul Myers, Health Risk Assessor Kevin Kiporic, Beazer East Inc. Environmental Manager Mitchell Browerman and EPA Region IV Chief of the Superfund Remedial Branch David Keefer, gave presentations.

CITIZEN COMMENT: The following citizens were recognized:

- 1. Robert Pearce (representing Stephen Foster Neighborhood gave a Power Point presentation).*
- 2. Penny Saulsberry, Koppers Plant Manager*
- 3. Kali Blount*
- 4. Sharon Sheets*
- 5. Deidre Bryant*
- 6. Jill Murphree- Leitner*
- 7. Bob Ivy*
- 8. Steve Boise*
- 9. Kim Popejoy*
- 10. Joe Prager*
- 11. David Pais*
- 12. Kathleen Pagan*
- 13. Jennifer Muir*
- 14. Ron Nichols*

15. Rob Brinkman
16. Chris Burns
17. Walter Willard
18. Nora Gibbons

ADDITIONAL STAFF PRESENTATIONS: GRU Director of Water/Wastewater Engineering Ron Herget, City Attorney Marion Radson and Assistant City Manager Fred Murry gave presentations.

FIRST MOTION: Commissioner Bryant moved and Commissioner Donovan seconded to: 1) Request clarification from staff regarding local government regulations of hazardous materials and if this is pre-empted by state and federal law; and 2) request a joint letter from both the City and the County Commissions to Koppers requesting that they take immediate action to consider application of dust control measures at their site (along the lines of the dust control program employed by Alachua County).

(VOTE: 6-0, Commissioner Braddy - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

SECOND MOTION: Commissioner Henry moved and Commissioner Lowe seconded to refer to the City Manager: 1) A request for a compliance study and course of action regarding noise, stormwater, dust and other items as may be identified; and 2) place on a City Commission agenda as soon as possible the discussion of a petition to change the land use and zoning of the (Cabot-Koppers) site to residential.

(VOTE: 6-0, Commissioner Braddy - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

THIRD MOTION: Commissioner Lowe moved and Commissioner Bryant seconded to direct City staff to draft a resolution indicating the position of the City Commission that the Cabot - Koppers site be remediated to the level of residential standards.

(VOTE: 6-0, Commissioner Braddy - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

Alachua County Attorney Dave Wagner and Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Representative Kelsey Helton made comments.

NOTE: It was requested that staff coordinate a follow-up Joint City/County Special Meeting regarding the Cabot-Koppers site in late January of 2009 (not to be scheduled during MLK Week activities).

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission hear presentations from GRU Staff, ACEPD and EPA on the progress toward development of the Record of Decision for cleaning up the Cabot/Koppers superfund site.*

Approved as shown above and Referred to Staff

ADJOURNMENT - 9:30 PM

Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission