City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Agenda

August 20, 2014

5:00 PM

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

140252.

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes of July 31, 2014 (B).

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee approve the minutes of the July 31, 2014 meeting as submitted.

140252 Draft Jul 31 2014 Minutes 20140820.pdf

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

100196.

Contamination on the NW 6th Street Rail Trail (B)

This item is to provide an update to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs & Public Works Committee regarding the contamination of the 6th Street Rail Trail north of NW 16th Avenue to 23rd Ave.

Explanation: The last update in August, 2013 reviewed in brief the 2006 Site Assessment Report (SAR) by Water and Air Research, Inc. that identified soil and groundwater contamination resulting from arsenic and pesticide discharges to the parcel. The SAR also notes that additional testing is needed to determine the extent of the contamination beyond the boundaries of the railroad right of way. Report data for the contaminates of concern identify that the in-situ concentrations exceed State of Florida regulatory thresholds and require the implementation of either remediation or institutional controls or combinations thereof to attain the health risk levels mandated by the regulatory thresholds.

> The update also reported that the Northeast District of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) had sent letters, in 2011, to adjoining property owners identifying the contamination problem as the first step in the process for cleanup of the site.

Currently grant opportunities are periodically announced that could fund additional assessment on the site if access agreements/permits could be arranged to demonstrate the City's intent for acquisition of the parcel. However, presently the City is barred from making these grant applications because of not having access to the site.

Management proposes initiating a meeting with FDEP to; obtain an update on FDEP activities since 2011, discuss the dynamics of the Rail Trail property acquisition, define what roles/duties the City might assist with in the FDEP cleanup process and assist with developing a tentative schedule for the 'Milestones' in the cleanup process. This basic administrative framework will allow the City to integrate this segment of the Rail-Trail more completely into the planning element than is possible with current information.

Fiscal Note: Costs incidental for meeting with FDEP can be covered in current budget authorizations.

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee discuss the status of the contamination along the 6th Street Rail Trail north of NW 16th Avenue and support the proposed meeting with FDEP.

100196 Aerial Maps 20130826.pdf 100196 Rail Trail Maps 20140820.pdf

130767. Parking Fine Increases (B)

This item was a referral from the City Commission regarding the parking fine increases associated with non-payment of fines.

Explanation: Appendix A Schedule of Fees identifies the fines associated with non-payment of parking fines in Section 6. Delinquent administrative fees (§ 26-46(d)). After seven calendar days of citation being issued or, within four days, excluding weekends and holidays, of denial of an affidavit of explanation, whichever is later \$11.00 Delinquency Fee will be added; after fourteen calendar days of citation being issued an additional \$27.50 will be added as the Delinquency Fees are cumulative.

Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact associated with this discussion.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works
Committee discuss the parking fine structure.

130767 Appendix A Excerpt 20140820.pdf

121124. Mobile Parking Software Application (NB)

This item is to provide an update to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs & Public Works Committee regarding potential use of mobile parking software applications and options for digital customer access to parking availability.

Explanation: Staff is in the midst of a bid process for mobile parking application

vendors for a pilot program in the downtown area. There are a variety of options available to implement mobile applications for payment of parking fees with low or no cost to the City for spaces that are currently metered. To provide mobile applications that allow parkers to check parking availability requires installation of a puck in each space at an estimated cost of \$300 each.

Fiscal Note: The fiscal impact will be identified as part of the bid process.

RECOMMENDATION The Recreation, Cultural Affairs & Public Works

Committee hear an update and discuss the options for providing mobile parking software applications within the City of Gainesville.

<u>121124 PowerPt_20130826.pdf</u> <u>121124 Parking ApPPt_20131017.pdf</u>

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.

<u>140180 Pending Referrals 20140731.pdf</u> <u>140180 Pending Referrals 20140820.pdf</u>

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE - Tuesday, September 16, 2014

ADJOURNMENT