

City of Gainesville

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



Minutes

Thursday, April 9, 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

Chair Poe called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present 2 - Commissioner Poe, and Commissioner Warren

Absent 1 - Commissioner Hinson-Rawls

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee adopted the agenda as presented.

Adopted

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[140874.](#)

Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2015 (B)

Attachments: [140874_Draft 3-12-15 RCAPW Minutes_20150409.pdf](#)

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee approve the minutes of the March 12, 2015 meeting as submitted.

Approved by Consensus

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

The minutes are a summary of the meeting and are not verbatim discussion. A copy of the meeting recording will be provided upon request.

[140740.](#)

Hiring Vendors/Workers at Fairs/Events (B)

This item provides an update to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee regarding a referral by the City Commission on February 5, 2015 about hiring vendors/workers at fairs/events.

Attachments: [140740A_Protocol_Standards_Research_20150409.pdf](#)

[140740B_SampleVendorForm_TX_20150409.pdf](#)

[140740C_SampleVendorApp_20150409.pdf](#)

[140740D_SampleVendorPolicy_20150409.pdf](#)

[140740E_Svc_Request_20150409.PDF](#)

Assistant City Manager Paul Folkers introduced this item and Audrey Gainey, Human Resource Manager, provided a presentation on the City's current hiring practices and

background checks for temporary and permanent employees. Commissioner Poe asked Assistant City Attorney David Schwartz to research third party policies on background checks to ensure they are as high as the City's standards. Interim Cultural Affairs Manager Russell Etling discussed current hiring practices for the Hoggetowne Medieval Faire for vendors and other workers, and presented the research staff had done on the practices of other municipalities. There is already a plan in place to increase security in the vendor camping areas after hours next year. Mr. Etling provided a copy of the current vendor agreement for the record. Commissioner Poe suggested that staff should research the cost and time of requiring background screenings on all workers through GPD vs. increasing security measures and bring it before the full Commission with a recommendation to remove from referral list.

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee receive an update from staff regarding a referral by the City Commission on February 5, 2015 about hiring vendors/workers at fairs/events.

Discussed**140514.****Painted Intersections and Crosswalks (B)**

This item is a referral from the City Commission.

Attachments:

[140514_Painted Intersections_20150212.pdf](#)

[140514A_Intersection Painting PPT_20150409.pdf](#)

[140514B_Madison Ordinance_20150409.pdf](#)

[140514C_Boulder CO Paint Program_20150409.pdf](#)

Assistant City Manager Paul Folkers introduced this item and Public Works Planning Manager, Debbie Leistner, provided a presentation on staff research that has been done on similar projects in other cities, specifically Madison WI, Boulder CO, and Ft. Lauderdale FL. A video was shown about the Ft. Lauderdale project. Ethan, from UF's chapter of Students for New Urbanism (SFNU), discussed how this could be done in Gainesville. After some discussion, Commissioner Poe asked staff to determine details about the project, including how roads would be closed to paint the intersections, how long the paint will last and what to do when it fades, location recommendations, how art would be selected, and what would be needed for SFNU to do a pilot program, and bring the proposal to the full Commission, with a recommendation to remove from referral list.

RECOMMENDATION

The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee discuss peer city programs and the feasibility of a similar program in Gainesville.

Discussed**130508.****Strategic initiative 6.3: Identify Steps of Implementation for the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs (PRCA) Master Plan and Continued Acquisition of Conservation Land (B)**

This item involves a request for the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee to review and recommend to the City Commission that they approve an update to the priority list of the Land

Conservation and Acquisition Program.

Attachments: [130508A Master Plan Presentation 20150108 .pdf](#)
[130508B Achievements List 20150108.pdf](#)
[130508C Master Plan Prioritization List 20150108.pdf](#)
[130508D Master Plan Recommendations 20150108.pdf](#)
[130508 Rev Master Plan Project List 20150212.pdf](#)
[130508A COG Ltr 20150312.pdf](#)
[130508B TPL Proposal 20150312.pdf](#)
[130508 MOD TPL Proposal 20150319.pdf](#)
[130508A List 20150409.pdf](#)
[130508B Maps 20150409.pdf](#)
[130508 TPL Presentation 20150514.pdf](#)

Nature Manager Linda Demetropoulos and PRCA Director Steve Phillips presented an updated list and new format of properties for the City to consider purchasing, as some have been acquired by the City or County for conservation purposes already, and new properties were added. The RCAPW Committee recommended that the revised list be moved to the City Commission for review and approval.

RECOMMENDATION *The Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee: 1) review the Land Conservation and Acquisition Table, and 2) recommend to the City Commission that they approve an update to the priority list of the Land Conservation and Acquisition Program.*

Heard[140444.](#)**Strategic Initiative 1.3 Develop Strategies to Improve Safety for All Modes of Transportation (B)**

Attachments: [140444 Strategic Initiatives 1.3 and 5.1 20150409.pdf](#)

Assistant City Commissioner Folkers introduced this item. Commissioner Warren and Samantha Wolfe, Strategic Planning, reminded the committee that this initiative came about when discussing citizen training for using roundabouts; the goal is to make public safety issues more visible and increase community awareness. The Committee discussed rolling 1.3 into 5.1 and Vision Zero. Commissioner Poe stated the City Commission needs to fund and implement a strategy. Commissioner Poe asked GPD's Sgt. Michael West to research other communities for success stories and best fiscal practices. The RCAPW Committee recommended combining the two initiatives.

RECOMMENDATION *The Committee provide direction on Strategic Initiative 1.3 Develop Strategies to Improve Safety for All Modes of Transportation.*

Discussed[140180.](#)**Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee Referrals (B)**

Attachments: [140180_Pending Referrals_20140731.pdf](#)
[140180_Pending Referrals_20140820.pdf](#)
[140180_Pending Referrals_20140911.pdf](#)
[140180_Pending Referrals_20141009.pdf](#)
[140180_Pending Referrals_20141113.pdf](#)
[140581_Staff Presentation_20150108.pdf](#)
[140180_Pending Referrals_20150212.pdf](#)
[140180_Pending Referrals_20150312.pdf](#)
[140180_Pending Referrals_20150409.pdf](#)

RECOMMENDATION

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

No Action Taken

MEMBER COMMENT

None.

CITIZEN COMMENT

None.

NEXT MEETING DATE - Thursday, May 14, 2015

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:34 pm.