

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

February 27, 2012

5:15 PM

City Hall, Room 16

Community Development Committee

*Commissioner Thomas Hawkins, Chair
Commissioner Susan Bottcher, Member
Commissioner Scherwin Henry, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER**ROLL CALL****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The Community Development Committee approve the agenda as circulated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES**110746.**

Community Development Committee Minutes of September 27, 2011; October 25, 2011; November 15, 2011; and November 22, 2011. (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee approve the Minutes of September 27, 2011; October 25, 2011; November 15, 2011; and November 22, 2011, as circulated.

110746A_Draft 9-27-11 Minutes_20120227.pdf
110746B_Draft 10-25-11 Minutes_20120227.pdf
110746C_Draft 11-15-11 Minutes_20120227.pdf
110746D_Draft 11-22-11 Minutes_20120227.pdf

DISCUSSION ITEMS**110747.**

Review of Pending CDC Referrals (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee review and approve the pending referral list and proposed action schedule prepared by staff.

110747_Pending Referral List_20120227.pdf

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Partial Release of Lien Affecting 1245 Southeast 4th Avenue, Tax Parcel #11669-000-000 and 1239 Southeast 3rd Avenue, Tax Parcel #11670-000-000 (B)

Explanation: The City Commission referred the issue of partial release of liens following a request to release a lien affecting 1245 southeast 4th Avenue and 1239 Southeast 3rd Avenue. The lien stemmed from a city ordinance violation on another property owned by the same property owner which resulted in fines accruing and a lien enforced by the City of Gainesville Code Enforcement Board. Liens are enforced when property owners fail to comply with a Code Enforcement Board (CEB) order and fines exist. Liens apply to all property owned by the subject property's owner. If the property comes into compliance, the CEB can rescind a fine the board imposes which effectively removes the lien,

however, only the City Commission has the authority to release a lien imposed by the city. In the case which led to the referral to the Community Development Committee (CDC), a request was made to release a lien on properties owned by a property owner whose ordinance violations resulted in a lien but not the properties where the violations occurred.

Staff has reviewed the referral and has prepared a recommendation for the CDC. The recommendation is to provide guidelines for staff that can be used when a request for a partial release of lien is received. The guidelines will be used to provide the City Commission with a staff recommendation to deny or approve the request for release of lien and the City Commission will retain the authority to approve or deny the request.

The City Commission has received two recent requests to release an administrative lien enforced by the city resulting from abatement actions taken by the city. These liens are in place to recover city funds used to abate a city ordinance violation. Staff has added this issue to the presentation and will request input from the CDC if there is interest from members to discuss the issue.

Fiscal Note: None

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Committee hear a presentation from staff about lien abatement guidelines.

Legislative History

1/14/08	City Commission	Approved as Recommended (6 - 0 - 1 Absent)	
1/14/08	City Commission	Referred	Community Development Committee

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MEMBER COMMENT

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NEXT MEETING DATE - Tuesday, March 27, 2012 5:15 PM

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