

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 4, 2010

1:00 PM

City Hall Auditorium

City Commission

*Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan (At Large)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Scherwin Henry (District 1)
Commissioner Lauren Poe (District 2)
Commissioner Jack Donovan (District 3)
Commissioner Craig Lowe (District 4)
Commissioner Thomas Hawkins (At Large)
Commissioner Jeanna Mastrodicasa (At Large)*

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CALL TO ORDER - 1:06 PM**ROLL CALL**

Present: Pegeen Hanrahan, Craig Lowe, Jack Donovan, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Lauren Poe and Thomas Hawkins

INVOCATION

The City Commission observed a moment of silence.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Mastrodicasa moved and Commissioner Poe seconded to adopt the Consent Agenda, as presented.

(VOTE: 6-0, Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Henry - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

CITY MANAGER, CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**090672. FTA Section 5309 Discretionary Grant Applications Under the Livability Bus Program and Urban Circulator Program (NB)**

This is a request for the City Commission to authorize RTS to prepare and submit FTA grant applications.

RECOMMENDATION *Recommended Motion: The City Commission authorize RTS to prepare and submit applications for the Livability Bus Program and Urban Circulator Program 5309 grant programs.*

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090680. Continuation of Employee Bus Pass Programs (B)

This item is a request for the City Commission to authorize the City Manager to execute service agreements with local agencies for employee bus pass programs.

RECOMMENDATION *Recommended Motion: The City Commission: 1) approve the annual contract for continuation of the Employee Bus Pass Program for City employees through January 2010; and 2) authorize the City Manager to execute service agreements with local agencies for continuation of the employee bus pass program, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.*

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090681. Grant Application for Cell Phone Tour Program (NB)

This item involves an application for a grant from Visit Florida to provide funding for marketing and web site development for the Department of Parks Recreation and Cultural Affairs.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission: 1) approve the submission of a grant application to Visit Florida; 2) authorize the City Manager to execute the application; and 3) if awarded, authorize the City Manager to execute the grant agreement and other grant-related documents subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.*

*Alternative Recommendation:
The City Commission decline the request to submit a grant application to Visit Florida.*

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090696. Neighborhood Planning Program (B)

This item involves selection of a neighborhood association to participate in the City's Neighborhood Planning Program (NPP). The City Commission allocated \$10,000 for neighborhood improvements and beautification projects in a NPP neighborhood.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission approve the Pineridge neighborhood for inclusion in the Neighborhood Planning Program and authorize the use of \$10,000 for that neighborhood.*

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090712. A. Quinn Jones Home Development Project (NB)

This item involves a request to accept a Florida Division of Historical Resources Small Matching Grant of \$50,000 for the A. Quinn Jones Home Development Project.

RECOMMENDATION *Recommended Motion: 1) The City Commission approve the request to accept a Florida Division of Historical Resources Small Matching grant if awarded funding for the A. Quinn Jones Home Development Project; and 2) authorize the City Manager to execute all grant related and award documents subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.*

Alternative Recommendation: The City Commission denies the request to accept a Florida Division of Historical Resources Small Matching grant if awarded funding for the A. Quinn Jones Home Development Project.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

GENERAL MANAGER FOR UTILITIES, CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

090717. Amendment to Contract for Employee Uniforms (NB)

Staff recommends extending the term of the contract for purchased employee uniforms for various Utility and General Government departments.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission: 1) authorize the General Manager, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a three-year amendment to extend the term of the contract with Tyndale Company, Inc. for purchased employee uniforms for various Utility and General Government departments, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality; and 2) approve the issuance of purchase orders for uniforms to Tyndale Company, Inc. in amounts not exceeding budgeted funds for each fiscal year of the contract, pending final appropriation of funds for each year.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

CITY ATTORNEY, CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

090705. Patricia Kelleher, as Personal Representative for the Estate of Andrew David Arosemena, Deceased v. City of Gainesville; Alachua County Circuit Court; Case No.: 01-2010-CA-41. (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission authorize the City Attorney and/or Special Counsel if insurance coverage is available, to represent the City in the case styled Patricia Kelleher, as Personal Representative for the Estate of Andrew David Arosemena, Deceased v. City of Gainesville; Alachua County Circuit Court; Case No.: 01-2010-CA-41.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090706. Sharon C. Althouse v. City of Gainesville; Alachua County Circuit Court; Case No.: 01-2009-CA-6148. (B)

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission authorize the City Attorney and/or Special Counsel if insurance coverage is available, to represent the City in the case styled Sharon C. Althouse v. City of Gainesville; Alachua County Circuit Court; Case No.: 01-2009 CA-6148.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

CLERK OF THE COMMISSION, CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**090730. Resignation of Gainesville Energy Advisory Committee and Water Management Committee Member Richard Williams (B)****RECOMMENDATION**

The City Commission accept the resignation of Richard Williams from the Gainesville Energy Advisory Committee and Water Management Committee effective immediately and extends its appreciation for his services.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Mastrodicasa, seconded by Commissioner Poe, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Thomas Hawkins, Craig Lowe, Jack Donovan, Lauren Poe and Pegeen Hanrahan
Absent: Scherwin Henry

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY DIRECTOR, CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**COMMITTEE REPORTS, CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS****COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, CONSENT ITEMS****END OF CONSENT AGENDA****ADOPTION OF THE REGULAR AGENDA**

Commissioner Lowe moved and Commissioner Poe seconded to adopt the Regular Agenda, as modified.

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

MODIFICATIONS:

1. File #090745 - (NEW ITEM) - Joint Meeting with the School Board.
2. File #090742 - (NEW ITEM) - Proclamation - School Crossing Guard Appreciation Day.

CHARTER OFFICER UPDATES

CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

090718. 2010 Canvassing Board (NB)

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission discuss composition of the 2010 Canvassing Board.*

Discussed

CITY MANAGER

GENERAL MANAGER FOR UTILITIES

CITY ATTORNEY

090745. Joint Meeting With the School Board (B)

MOTION: Schedule a Joint Public Meeting between the Gainesville City Commission and the School Board of Alachua County Re: Stormwater Utility Fees for Monday, Feb. 8, 2010, in Room 16, City Hall @ 1:00 PM moving the City Commission Workshop Re: EO to 3:00 PM.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission schedule a joint meeting with the School Board.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowe, seconded by Commissioner Donovan, that this matter be Approved as shown above (See Motion). The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Thomas Hawkins, Craig Lowe, Jack Donovan, Lauren Poe and Pegeen Hanrahan
Absent: Scherwin Henry

CITY AUDITOR

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY DIRECTOR

COMMITTEE REPORTS (PULLED FROM CONSENT)**ADVISORY BOARDS/COMMITTEES (APPOINTMENTS/REPORTS)****OUTSIDE AGENCIES****MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION****COMMISSION COMMENTS (if time available)****Commissioner Lauren Poe**

Invite a representative from the Chamber of Commerce to give a presentation regarding their strategic plan at an upcoming City Commission Meeting.

Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

Fort Collins meeting regarding Solar Feed-in Tariff.

RECESS - 1:23 PM**RECONVENE - 5:39 PM**

NOTE: Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Henry was present for the evening session of the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (5:30pm)**PROCLAMATIONS/SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS****090726. Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month - February 2010 (B)**

RECOMMENDATION *Violence Prevention at Peaceful Paths Domestic Abuse Network Director Morgan Moeller to accept the proclamation.*

Heard

090727. Future Business Leaders of America Week - February 8-12, 2010 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *FBLA- Buchholz High School (Academy of Finance) Director Michele Brothers, President Ming Cao, Student Shuyun Xue, and FBLA District 6 President Alexander Sappington to accept the proclamation.*

Placed on File

090742. School Crossing Guard Appreciation Day - February 5, 2010 (B)

RECOMMENDATION *Gainesville Police Department Specialty Units Commander Lieutenant Larry Seale and Community Resources & crime Prevention Bureau Commander Police Captain Ed Book to accept the proclamation.*

Heard

090731. Center for Public Safety Excellence's Commission on Professional Credentialing of Gainesville Fire Chief William K. Northcutt as 'Chief Fire Officer" (B)

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission recognize Chief Northcutt for his new accreditation.*

Heard

WAIVER OF RULES

*Commissioner Poe moved and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Henry seconded to waive the rules to hear Citizen Comment 10 minutes early.
(VOTE: 6-0, MOTION CARRIED)*

CITIZEN COMMENT

John Davies

Budget/Ironwood Issues.

Ed Clark

Main Street Closure at Depot and Main Street.

Cecil Howard - EO Director

Dismantling Racism Event.

Pat Fitzpatrick

Ironwood Golf Course.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

RESOLUTIONS- ROLL CALL REQUIRED

ORDINANCES, 1ST READING- ROLL CALL REQUIRED

ORDINANCES, 2ND READING- ROLL CALL REQUIRED

090340. REZONING - 1500 NORTHWEST 45TH AVENUE (B)

Ordinance No. 0-09-59, Petition No. PZ-09-60ZON

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Zoning Map Atlas and rezoning certain property, as more specifically described in this Ordinance, from the City of Gainesville zoning categories of "BUS: General business district"; "RSF-1: 3.5 units/acre single-family residential district"; "RMF-5: 12 units/acre single-family/multiple-family residential district"; and "RMF-6: 8-15 units/acre multiple-family residential district" to "CON: Conservation district"; consisting of approximately 61.6 acres; located in the vicinity of 1500 Northwest 45th Avenue; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowe, seconded by Commissioner Poe, that this matter be Adopted on Final Reading (Ordinance). The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Thomas Hawkins, Craig Lowe, Jack Donovan, Lauren Poe, Scherwin Henry and Pegeen Hanrahan

PLAN BOARD PETITIONS

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD PETITIONS

SCHEDULED EVENING AGENDA ITEMS

090722. Alachua County Charter Review Commission (B)

Charter Review Commission Member Rob Brinkman and Mitch Glaeser gave presentations.

RECOMMENDATION

County Charter Review Commission.

Discussed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COMMISSION COMMENT

Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

Eastside Operations Center - Contractors - Bidding Process.

Commissioner Thomas Hawkins

Contractors - City's bidding process.

Commissioner Scherwin Henry

Local Business Preference Policy - Bidding Process.

090759. Local Preference Policies in Relation to the City's Procurement Procedures (NB)

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission refer the issue of local preference policies in relation to the City's procurement procedures to the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee.*

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Henry, seconded by Commissioner Poe, that this matter be Referred to the Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee, due back on August 4, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Thomas Hawkins, Craig Lowe, Jack Donovan, Lauren Poe, Scherwin Henry and Pegeen Hanrahan

CITIZEN COMMENT

Walter Willard

Various Issues.

Armando Grundy

Transportation in East Gainesville.

Commissioner Craig Lowe

Transportation Issues.

Commissioner Jack Donovan

Transportation Issues.

Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

Transportation Issues.

NOTE: Commissioner Lowe left the meeting room at 7:01 PM.

Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Henry

Recreation Master Plan referral to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee.

090777. Recreation Master Plan (NB)

RECOMMENDATION *The City Commission refer the issue of formulating groundwork for a Recreation Master Plan to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee.*

A motion was made by Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Henry, seconded by Commissioner Mastrodicasa, that this matter be Referred to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee, due back on August 4, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Thomas Hawkins, Jack Donovan, Lauren Poe, Scherwin Henry and Pegeen Hanrahan
Absent: Craig Lowe

ADJOURNMENT - 7:09 PM

Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission