

City of Gainesville

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



Meeting Agenda

April 27, 2015

3:00 PM

City Hall, Ground Floor, Room 16

Public Safety Committee

*Commissioner Helen Warren, Chair
Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls, Member*

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CALL TO ORDER**ROLL CALL****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****APPROVAL OF MINUTES**[140863.](#)**Approval of December 16, 2014 Public Safety Committee Minutes (B)****RECOMMENDATION**

The Public Safety Committee approve the minutes of the December 16, 2014 meeting as submitted.

Legislative History

4/7/15 Public Safety Deferred
 Committee

[140863_Dec2014PDCMinutes_20150407](#)

[140904.](#)**Approval of April 7, 2015 Public Safety Committee Minutes (B)****RECOMMENDATION**

The Public Safety Committee approve the minutes of the April 7, 2015 meeting as submitted.

[140904_PSC Minutes From 04 07 15_20150427](#)

DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS[140840.](#)**Underage Drinking Ordinance (B)**

Explanation: At the February 19, 2015 City Commission meeting, Commissioner Poe requested that the Underage Drinking Ordinance be referred to the Public Safety Committee for discussion. The Public Safety Committee and City Commission had extensively researched and adopted revisions to the City's Underage Drinking Ordinance in February, 2013. However, due to administrative challenges, the enforcement of the ordinance has been suspended.

The Public Safety Committee began the discussion at their meeting on April 7, 2015 with several business owners in attendance. However, time limitations required a continuation of the discussion.

Fiscal Note: None.

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Safety Committee continue to address

underage drinking including options for amending the ordinance to enable enforcement.

Legislative History

2/19/15	City Commission	Referred to the Public Safety Committee
4/7/15	Public Safety Committee	Discussed

[140840_UnderageDrinkingHistoricalReview_20150407](#)

[140840_Alcohol Related Arrests 010114 to 032415_20150407](#)

[140518.](#)

Lighted Crosswalks and Street Lighting (B)

This item is a referral from the City Commission.

Explanation: At the joint City Commission - UF Student Government Meeting last fall, the issue of lighted crosswalks and street lighting in the University Context Area was referred the Public Safety Committee. Students have expressed concerns with safety at crosswalks and night time visibility in neighborhoods.

In conjunction with the FY14 budget process and also the Transportation Surtax that was rejected by County voters last fall, the Public Works Department submitted a funding request for items related to bicycle and pedestrian safety, which included enhancements to crosswalks. This increment would have provided for lighted crosswalks at intersections with high volumes of pedestrian traffic, featuring the following treatments:

- Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) activated lighted crosswalks; and,*
- High Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK).*

Street lighting along public roadways is covered in City Ordinance (Chapter 27, Section 27-29). Public Works reviews street lighting conditions based on citizen requests, verifying compliance with city code. Repairs and/or new installations are coordinated with GRU.

When appropriate, Public Works Department staff will also work with GPD staff to perform a safety analysis of the area. The Public Safety Committee began discussion of this topic at the April 7, 2015 meeting.

Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal impact associated with the discussion of this item.

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Safety Committee continue the discussion of lighted crosswalks and street lighting.

Legislative History

11/18/14	City Commission	Referred to the Public Safety Committee
4/7/15	Public Safety Committee	Discussed

[140518_Signage PowerPt_20150407](#)

[140905.](#)

NW 19th Lane Cycle Track (B)

Explanation: At the April 13, 2015 MTPO meeting, the City Commission referred the proposed NW 19th Lane Cycle Track to the Public Safety Committee for discussion and to make recommendations for the May 21 City Commission meeting and the June 1 MTPO meeting.

Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal impact associated with the discussion of this item.

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Safety Committee hear a presentation from City staff and provide recommendations to the City Commission.

[140905_NW 19 Lane PPT_20150427](#)

MEMBER COMMENT

CITIZEN COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regularly scheduled meeting is May 25, 2015, which is a City Holiday. Staff will work to reschedule the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT