

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Meeting Agenda - Final

May 9, 2022

6:00 PM

City Commission Workshop

Gainesville Regional Utilities Multi-Purpose Room

City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)

Mayor-Commissioner Pro-Tem Reina Saco (At Large, Seat A)

Commissioner Cynthia Moore Chestnut (At Large, Seat B)

Commissioner Desmon Duncan-Walker (District 1)

Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)

Commissioner David Arreola (District 3)

Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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CALL TO ORDER**AGENDA STATEMENT**

"Individuals are encouraged to participate in City of Gainesville meetings. In general, speakers will be limited to 3 minutes for general public comment once during the meeting. Speakers who wish to participate in early public comment will be limited to 3 minutes to speak on one agenda item or 5 minutes if they wish to speak on several agenda items. If speakers do not participate in early public comment, speakers will be limited to 3 minutes per agenda item. The City of Gainesville encourages civility in public discourse and requests that speakers direct their comments to the Chair. Signs, props and posters are not permitted in the meeting room."

ROLL CALL**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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Affordable Housing Workshop (B)

Explanation: The City Commission has prioritized Housing Strategies as a top priority in the City's Strategic Plan. During recent Commission Meetings as well as several City Advisory Board meetings, research around different affordable housing strategies and actions have been discussed by our elected officials, staff and our neighbors. On March 17th City staff presented the "2022 Affordable Housing Framework" report to the City Commission. The report presented robust data on the current state of affordable housing in Gainesville, as well as indicated the programs and solutions currently available by the City and our local partners to address the affordable housing crisis.

On April 7, 2022 the City Commission approved two workshops be scheduled for May 9th and May 17th to discuss affordable housing topics, with a focus on public engagement at both events. On April 21, 2022 the City Commission approved an additional workshop to be hosted on May 21st, 2022 for further opportunity to engage more neighbors in this important topic.

Staff have organized three workshops to bring the community together to learn about and discuss various potential solutions to affordable housing.

The Workshop on May 9th and May 21st will address several topics via breakout sessions, including but not limited to Community Land Trusts, Affordable Housing Preservation, First-time Homebuyer Programs, the City's Rental Housing Program, and more.

The Workshop on May 17th will focus most specifically on the topics of Inclusionary Zoning and Exclusionary Zoning.

Each workshop will include an introductory presentation, breakout sessions for engagement, and a final group discussion / neighbor comment sessions. Note takers will be present at each breakout session to assist with recording the feedback shared by neighbors.

Fiscal Note: TBD

RECOMMENDATION

Members of the City Commission and staff attend and participate in the Affordable Housing Workshops, and utilize the feedback shared by neighbors during the engagement sessions to inform next steps for the City regarding Affordable Housing policy and action strategies.

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