

City of Gainesville

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Minutes - Draft

Monday, 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**

The agenda was approved by consensus as submitted.

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.*

The minutes of the December 16, 2014 meeting were approved by consensus.

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.*

The minutes of the April 7, 2015 meeting were approved by consensus.

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

RECOMMENDATION *The Public Safety Committee continue to address underage drinking including options for amending the ordinance to enable enforcement.*

The Public Safety Committee continued their discussion on options for the enforcement of the City's Underage Drinking Ordinance. Staff recommended reinstating the ordinance, reinforcing that no one under the age of 21 be admitted to a drinking establishment unless that establishment has been issued a permit for a special event. The permit process would include a violation matrix for the issuance of the permits.

Business owners/managers Nick Smith, Blake Haley, and Mike Carr spoke to the issue, as did citizens Mark Goldstein and Tom Griffin.

The Public Safety Committee members voted 2-0 for staff to move forward to develop an updated ordinance to present to the full City Commission.

140518. Lighted Crosswalks and Street Lighting (B)

This item is a referral from the City Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Assistant City Manager Paul Folkers stated that UF Student Government representation was not available to attend the meeting on this date. Mr. Folkers has requested feedback from the Student Government on specific areas of concerns. Public Works Staff will work with UF staff on locations and funding sources. Staff commented that Parks and Recreation staff were working on a similar issue.

This item will remain in Committee while Public Works staff continues their outreach efforts with the University and the Student Government.

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NW 19th Lane Cycle Track (B)RECOMMENDATION

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

Public Works staff made a presentation on the proposed changes on NW 19th Lane to expand the bicycle infrastructure by adding a facility along the north side of the road.

Gainesville High School Principal David Shelnutt and Alachua County School Board representative Shane Andrew expressed concerns for shortening the school's bus circle, which will push vehicles back down the street, and concern regarding the eight light poles in the affected area. Mr. Andrew has requested to see the engineering plans when they are developed. Principal Shelnutt requested accident data for the area.

The Public Safety Committee voted by consensus to move this item forward to the full City Commission with the current staff recommendations.

MEMBER COMMENT

There were no member comments.

CITIZEN COMMENT

There were no additional citizen comments.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date and time has not been established, pending Commission assignments.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.