# **City of Gainesville**

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



# **Minutes - Final**

May 11, 2021 6:00 PM

### **Virtual**

# **SHIP - Affordable Housing Advisory Committee**

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Saeed Khan
Jamie Bell
Aditya Basu-Dutta
Mary Lou Hildreth
Michael Raburn
Shayna Rich
Eric McLarthy
Octavia Washington
Desmon Duncan-Walker

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#### CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 PM

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Committee Members Present**

- 1. Eric McLarthy, Chair
- 2. Michael Raburn
- 3. Aditya Basu-Dutta
- 4. Saeed Khan
- 5. Shayna Rich
- 6. Desmon Duncan-Walker

#### **Committee Members Absent**

- 1. Jamie Bell
- 2. Mary Lou Hildreth
- 3. Octavia Washington
- 4. Belinda Smith

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Khan made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rich, to adopt the agenda, as presented

#### DISCUSSION OF PENDING REFERRALS

## 201196. Discussion of Charlotte, North Carolina's Location Scoring Tool (B)

Ms. Sophia Corugedo, Strategic Initiatives Intern, presented information about Charlotte's tool and how it helps that city rank project locations based on identified city goals (e.g., neighborhood stability, and proximity to jobs, services, and amenities). She noted that Gainesville may be able to use a similar tool in the future. Dr. Raburn asked about the costs of establishing and maintaining such a tool. Ms. Corugedo replied that that would need to be determined.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee receive information.

#### **Discussed**

# **201197.** Overview of Department of Sustainable Development (NB)

Andrew Persons, Interim Director of the Department of Sustainable
Development described the duties of the Department of Sustainable
Development (DSD), including developing and implementing the City's
Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Regulations. Mr. Persons noted that

DSD was currently working on an Inclusionary/Exclusionary Housing Policy Study and on an update of the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Ralph Hilliard noted that when considering rules that guide development, being able to map the location of vacant land, wetlands, environmentally important land, and other conditions is very helpful.

RECOMMENDATION

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee receive

information.

#### **Discussed**

## **201198.** Discussion of the Incentives and Recommendations Report (B)

Mr. Wachtel reviewed the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program and how the City used SHIP Funds. He explained the purpose of the Incentives and Recommendations Report (IRR). The Committee discussed each of the eleven strategies they are required to review. In general, the Committee expressed support for the City's current approach to each of the strategies, with only minor expansions of strategies involving Expedited Permitting, Flexible Density, Flexible Lot Configurations, and Street, Parking and Setback Requirements.

The exception was Accessory Residential Units, for which the Committee had a wider range of opinions and asked for additional information.

Mr. Grundy-Gomes asked the Committee to be aware of existing overlay districts. He emphasized that limiting the use of technical jargon would help everyone to better understand the IRR.

He asked for an explanation of CAPER. Ms. Brecken explain that CAPER is an acronym for Capital Asset Planning and Economic Resiliency. The City's CAPER Department is responsible for much of the acquisition, disposition, and management of City Land.

 $\underline{\textbf{RECOMMENDATION}}$ 

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee: 1) receive a presentation from staff; 2) discuss the IRR and provide staff

with feedback; and 3) receive public comment.

**Discussed** 

PUBLIC COMMENT

MEMBER COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE \_ June 8, 2021 - 6:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT

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