

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL
MINUTES

Holiday Inn Restaurant
Lake City, Florida

January 24, 2002
8:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Barrow, City of Gainesville
John Carlson, Alachua County
Chuck Chestnut, City of Gainesville
Gib Coerper, City of Alachua
Minnie Crevasse, Alachua County
Louie Davis, City of Waldo
David Dodge, Bradford County
Dixie Donovan, Columbia County
John Driggers, Dixie County
Steve Futch, City of Starke
Gail Garrard, Lafayette County
Sandra Haas, Suwannee County
Alan Hammock, Union County
Robert Hutchinson, Alachua County
Ray Kirkland, City of Lake City
Eddie Martin, Hawthorne
Charles Maultsby, Taylor County
James Montgomery, Columbia County
William Naulls, Alachua County
L. B. Nelson, City of Archer
Dave Newport, Alachua County
Warren Nielsen, City of Gainesville
Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak
Emory Philman, Gilchrist County
Kathy Pults, City of High Springs
Tom Robinson, Alachua County
Edd Sadler, Taylor County
Lorene Thomas, Dixie County
Myra Valentine, City of Madison
Lewis Vaughn, Hamilton County
Penny Wheat, Alachua County

STAFF PRESENT

Robin Barnes
Steve Dopp
Charles Justice
Charles Kiester
Marcy Wilson
Board Members Names Bolded
MEMBERS ABSENT

William Alexander, City of Perry
Melaine "Red" Clyatt, Union County
Wilbur Bush, Gilchrist County
John Cooper, Bradford County
Bill Coughlin, City of High Springs
Steve Elder, Town of Micanopy
Roy Ellis, Madison County
Grady Hartzog, City of Newberry
Matthew Hawkins, City of Jasper
James King, Madison County
Jim Tompkins, Hamilton County
Douglas Udell, Suwannee County

GUESTS PRESENT

Jeff Bielling
Ron Carpenter
Buddy Crevasse
Jim Crews
Diana Davis
Laura Dedenbach
Consuela Dodge
Rick Drummond
Brenna Durden
Jack Dyer
Lea Gabbay-Lipkin
John Mousa
Louise Nelson
Robert Parks
Robert A. Perez
Linda Pollini
David Pope
Tamara Robbins
Jim Robinson
Sherry Spiers
Jon Wershow
Bill Zeigel

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Dave Byrd, FDOT
Jodi Hopkins, FDEP

Chairman Montgomery called the meeting to order at 8:18 p.m., noting a quorum was present. He asked that Item V.A.3. Law Enforcement Training Class be added to the agenda.

ACTION: Mayor Kirkland made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Sadler, to add Item V.A.3. Law Enforcement Training Class to the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - December 6, 2001

ACTION: Commissioner Newport made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Davis to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2001, meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.

II. CONSENT AGENDA - Transportation Disadvantaged Program - Coordinating Board Membership Certification

Chairman Montgomery asked if there were questions regarding the item listed on the Consent Agenda, and requested that this item be approved.

ACTION: Commissioner Martin made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Sadler, to approve the item listed on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

III CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Montgomery introduced and welcomed a new member from Alachua County, Commissioner Penny Wheat. He noted that Commissioner Wheat would be replacing Commissioner Mike Byerly on the Council.

Commissioner Montgomery asked that the Council approve adding Lorene Thomas, a gubernatorial appointee from Dixie County, to the Program Committee.

ACTION: Commissioner Driggers made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to approve the appointment of Lorene Thomas to the Program Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee

1. Hazardous Materials Planning and Training Grant: Contract Modification

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommends amending the Hazardous Materials Planning and Training Grant to add a Number 9. VENDOR PAYMENTS, that stipulates that payments to vendors should

be issued within 40 days after receipt of goods and/or services, or interest should be paid by the state agency.

ACTION: Mayor Kirkland made the motion, with a second by Mr. Dodge, to approve the amendment to the Hazardous Materials Planning and Training Grant as recommended by the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Grant to Hidden Coast Shellfish Producers Association, Inc.

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommends authorizing the Chairman to enter into an agreement with the Hidden Coast Shellfish Producers Association, Inc. to provide a grant to the Association for an amount not to exceed \$11,000 to make modifications/improvements to the clam land-based nursery at Horseshoe Beach, providing that the grant document is approved as to legal sufficiency by the Council's attorney.

ACTION: Commissioner Driggers made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Law Enforcement Training Class - Added to Agenda

Chairman Montgomery asked that the Council authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the Apalachee Regional Planning Council to assist them in scheduling law enforcement training classes within the region. He noted that there is a statewide mandate to train every law enforcement officer in Florida to an awareness level on Weapons of Mass Destruction before April 1, 2002.

ACTION: Commissioner Driggers made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the Apalachee Regional Planning Council to provide assistance in schedule law enforcement training classes within the region. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Clearinghouse Committee - Chairman's Report

Local Government Comprehensive Plan Amendments

#21- City of Alachua Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendments (DCA No. 02-1)

Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the Clearinghouse Committee reviewed item #21, City of Alachua Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendments, and made two comments on this item. He noted that the first comment notes that the information packet forwarded

to the Council by the local government does not contain an analysis of impacts on public facilities as required by 9J-11.006(1)(b)4, Florida Administrative Code. The comment also contains a recommendation that the City conduct a facility impact analysis for these amendments in accordance the this subsection of Florida Administrative Code.

Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the second comment notes that adverse impacts are not anticipated to the Floridan Aquifer provided the City adopts the recommended plan amendments as part of its Sanitary Sewer, Solid Waste, Drainage, Potable Water, and Natural Groundwater Aquifer Recharge Element contained in its Evaluation and Appraisal Report, which the Council reviewed in December, 1998. The comment also contains a recommendation that the City adopt its EAR-based amendments as soon as possible. Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the Committee recommends forwarding these findings to the City of Alachua and the Florida Department of Community Affairs as regional comment.

ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the recommendation of the Clearinghouse Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

#22- City of Alachua Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendments (DCA No. 02-D1)

Commissioner Hutchinson reported that Item #22, consists of City of Alachua draft plan amendments to make the proposed Alachua West Development of Regional Impact consistent with the City's comprehensive plan. He noted that the Committee made the following four objections and recommendations:

Objection #1: Adverse impacts may occur to regional roads and/or local roads beyond the city limits of the City of Alachua as a result of the proposed text amendment. Neither the referenced statute nor the proposed plan amendment contains language requiring all of the adverse transportation impacts created by a multi-use DRI to be addressed, including roads maintained by other jurisdictions, or to limit construction of the DRI to levels which will not result in adverse impacts until such time as the affected facilities are improved. It is therefore recommended that the City:

1. Revise the proposed text amendment to state that the City shall use all proportionate share funds generated by anticipated impacts to the regional road network to making the identified needed modifications only to the regional road network. This limitation can be expanded to include needed modifications to locally-maintained roads, but only at their intersection with state or U.S. facilities; and
2. Adopt the transportation conditions included in the Alachua West DRI recommended local government development order.

Objection #2: The proposed text amendment is internally inconsistent with City of Alachua Comprehensive Plan Traffic Circulation Element Policy II.1.1 and Capital Improvements Element Policy VIII.2.1, which establish minimum level of service standards for various roadways within the City of Alachua. It is also internally

inconsistent with the City's Concurrency Management System, which is included in its comprehensive plan. Therefore, it is recommended that these two policies, as well as the Concurrency Management System, be amended as discussed under Objection 2 in the Evaluation section of the written staff report on this item.

Objection #3: Significant adverse impacts may occur to the Floridan Aquifer and an Area of High Recharge Potential to the Floridan Aquifer, both of which are identified as Natural Resources of Regional Significance in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan as a result of the proposed amendments. Therefore, it is recommended that the City adopt both the recommended plan amendments to its Sanitary Sewer, Solid Waste, Drainage, Potable Water and Natural Groundwater Aquifer Recharge Element contained in its EAR as well as the water-related conditions included in the Alachua West DRI recommended local government development order.

Objection #4: Significant adverse impacts will occur to affordable housing, transportation, air quality, vegetation and wildlife, water, as well as fire and rescue services as a result of the proposed amendments. Therefore, it is recommended that the City adopt all of the conditions in the Alachua West DRI recommended local government development order.

Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the Committee recommends forwarding these findings to the City of Alachua and the Florida Department of Community Affairs as regional comment.

ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the recommendation of the Clearinghouse Committee.

There was much discussion about whether or not the money was available to take care of the necessary changes. An amendment to the preceding motion was made as follows:

ACTION: Commissioner Wheat moved, and Commissioner Newport seconded, to amend the recommendation of the Clearinghouse Committee to add a third recommendation to Objection #2, which would read: "Revise the City's capital improvements element to fully address the public facility impacts generated by the proposed land use amendment." The motion carried unanimously.

The original motion was then voted on as amended.

ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the recommendation of the Clearinghouse Committee, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

Other Review Items

Alachua West Development of Regional Impact

Commissioner Hutchinson, as Chairman of the Clearinghouse Committee, commended staff, Clearinghouse Committee members and the applicant on all the time that had been put in on this DRI, and the congenial manner in which progress had been made. He then turned the meeting over to Chuck Kiester, Director of Regional Programs for the Planning Council.

Mr. Kiester showed a Powerpoint presentation about the history of review and the findings of impact(s) the DRI would create. He then went over the Clearinghouse Committee's recommended conditions of approval in great detail, answering questions as he went through them.

ACTION: Commissioner Newport moved, and Commissioner Wheat seconded, to replace Condition 6, Fire and Rescue, with the following "The Applicant shall provide the site, the facilities, and the capital vehicles needed for fire/rescue services and emergency medical services." The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the recommended Development Order (D.O.), as amended by the Council. The motion carried.

Commissioner Tamara Robbins, from the City of Alachua, expressed her concern that the project was being voted on only for the first phase, rather than all three phases. Mr. Kiester explained that if the City adopts the recommended D.O., it will be approving all three phases of the project.

C. Finance Committee - FY 2000-2001 Audit Review - Edd Sadler

Commissioner Sadler reported on the status of the FY 200-2001 audit, noting that the Council was in sound fiscal shape. He noted that the Finance Committee had reviewed the audit, and asked that it be accepted, and payment to the auditor be authorized.

ACTION: Commissioner Sadler made the motion, with a second by Mayor Davis, to approve the audit and authorize payment of the auditor. The motion carried unanimously.

Because of the late hour, and the diminishing quorum, no further business was discussed.

Chairman Montgomery announced that the next meeting of the Council was scheduled to be held at the Holiday Inn in Lake City on February 28, 2002.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

Chairman

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