

Tuesday, January 10, 2017 – 5:00 P.M.
County Administration Building
Grace Knight Conference Room
12 Southeast First Street
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Commission met in regular session.

PRESENT: Chair Ken Cornell presiding; Vice Chair Lee Pinkoson; Commissioners Mike Byerly, Chuck Chestnut and Robert “Hutch” Hutchison

ALSO PRESENT: County Attorney Michelle Lieberman, County Manager Lee Niblock, Growth Management Director Steve Lachnicht

The meeting was televised live on Cox Cable Channel 12.

Approval of Public Hearing Agenda

1. Approve the agenda

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: A Motion to Approve the Agenda: (a) approve any amendments to the Regular and Consent Agenda; (b) adopt the Regular Agenda; and (c) approve all items on the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Byerly moved adoption of the agenda. **The motion carried 4-0** with Commissioner Chestnut out of the room.

2. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Hearing

Fiscal Consideration: No fiscal impact at this time.

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204.29.2975.554. Various Expenses

Recommended Action: Conduct public hearing to obtain citizen input on community development needs; Direct staff to prepare an application in the amount of \$750,000 for FFY 2016 State of Florida Small Cities CDBG Program in the category of Commercial Revitalization, Housing Rehabilitation, or Neighborhood Revitalization; and Authorize staff to advertise second public hearing.

Housing Programs Manager Ralston Reodica presented the above item.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved to conduct public hearing to obtain citizen input on community development needs; Direct staff to prepare an application in the amount of \$750,000 for FFY 2016 State of Florida Small Cities CDBG Program in the

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category of Commercial Revitalization, Housing Rehabilitation, or Neighborhood Revitalization; and Authorize staff to advertise second public hearing.

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Commissioner Hutchinson moved the amended motion as follows:

1. To conduct a public hearing to obtain citizen input on community development needs; Direct staff to prepare an application in the amount of \$750,000 for FFY 2016 State of Florida Small Cities CDBG Program in the category of Commercial Revitalization, Housing Rehabilitation, or Neighborhood Revitalization; and Authorize staff to advertise second public hearing.
2. To direct staff to prepare have the next grant cycle prepared for the Board 6 months in advance of when the decision has to be made.
3. Direct staff to provide information on the 1,600 homes that the SHIP fund has performed renovations to see if they are still occupied and if they are occupied by the resident who applied for the funding.

Chair Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, Chair Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, and Housing Programs Manager Radica presented comments.

Public Comments:

Chair Cornell recognized Corey Harris and RD Bonner who presented comments.

The motion passed 5-0.

3. Public Comments (immediately following Public Hearing(s) or at 5:01)

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: Hear Public Comments

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No one wished to make public comments.

4. Closing comments from the public

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: Hear closing comments from the public.

Commissioner Byerly, County Attorney Michele Lieberman, Commissioner Byerly, County Attorney Lieberman, Commissioner Byerly, County Manager Lee Niblock, Chair Cornell, Commissioner Hutchinson, and Commissioner Pinkoson presented comments.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.