

RESOLUTION NO. R-74-144PASSED November 18, 1974

A RESOLUTION CREATING A CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT; STATING THE GENERAL PURPOSES FOR THE CREATION OF THE COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR THE DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE BY THE CITY COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR THE NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS, THEIR TERMS OF APPOINTMENT, AND FOR FILLING OF VACANCIES; PROVIDING FOR CREATION OF SUB-COMMITTEES; SUPERSEDING AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2 ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 25, 1967, AS AMENDED PERTAINING TO THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE WORKABLE PROGRAM AND PROVIDING THAT THE ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THAT COMMITTEE ARE TO BE MADE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE CREATED BY THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR STAFF AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE.

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development of the Federal Government has determined that in order to secure maximum results from Block Grant Funds, a successful long-term Community Development Program depends in large measure on active participation by local citizens, and

WHEREAS, by such participation in the Community Development Program, citizens:

1. Inform themselves of their community's activities - in progress and contemplated - and the needs for improvement with respect to planning, code adoption, and enforcement, housing, public facilities and other

Community Development activities;

2. Assist in developing objectives and goals for improvements;

3. Inventory the community's resources - public and private - present or needed;

4. Learn and pursue the methods and means for achieving the determined goals for improvements; and

5. Serve as a medium for bringing private resources into the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE:

A. There is hereby created a committee to fulfill the purposes herein set out, which committee shall be known as the "Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development". The Committee shall consist of not less than fifteen (15) nor more than twenty-five (25) persons to be appointed by the City Commission to serve for staggered terms of three (3) years each, which term shall expire November 1st of each year. The initial appointments will be made for terms of one, two or three years in order that there will be complete rotation in terms over a period of three years with as nearly an equal number of terms expiring each year as is reasonably possible. All vacancies of the Committee shall be filled by the City Commission for the unexpired term. The membership of the Committee shall be made up of suitable representatives of various organizations and

committees within the entire community in order that community-wide representation may be achieved through recognized leaders in existing organizations, as well as leaders and workers evidencing an interest in the general purposes of the Committee. In order to insure total community-wide interest and participation, it is suggested that representatives come from various interests including, but not limited to, economic groups, civic groups, church groups, education groups, families, government officials or employees, minority groups, welfare organizations, and information agencies.

B. The Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development shall select its own chairman, vice-chairman, and such other officers of the Committee as the Committee shall determine. The Committee shall prepare and adopt its own by-laws, rules and regulations which will become effective upon their being filed with and approved by the City Commission. The Committee shall establish membership participation guidelines to insure participation by all members of the Committee in fulfilling the responsibilities of the Committee, which guidelines shall provide that any member of the Committee not meeting his obligations in the opinion of a consensus of the Committee shall be recommended for replacement on the Committee by the City Commission.

C. The Committee shall organize and develop a broad community-wide educational program, using all available facilities of the various news media, presentations to civic and service organizations, and using such techniques, information, data, and materials that can be made available in order to insure that the entire community is made aware of the purposes and activities of the Committee and in order to solicit assistance from every possible citizen.

D. The Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development may create such sub-committees as are found to be desirable and necessary and each sub-committee shall be charged with such responsibility as is deemed appropriate by the full Committee.

E. The Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development shall have regular meetings at least one each quarter, and at such other times as may be called by the chairman.

F. The primary duties and responsibilities of the Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development are:

1. To learn about the nature and extent of the City's Community Development Program;
2. To make recommendations relating to the Community Development Program;
3. To help inform other citizens and groups as to the need for the Community Development Program, and thus develop united community understanding of this need.

The full Committee and any sub-committees should provide the means for private assistance, support, and advice to local government agencies by becoming informed on such matters as planning public improvements, urban renewal, public housing and code enforcement. The Committee should not interfere in the normal operating functions of local government or attempt to supplant public responsibility with private action. The Committee should limit its functions to:

1. Gathering information and keeping citizen groups generally informed about the Community Development Program;

2. Assisting the coordination of the various community improvement activities;

3. Assisting official agencies in public relations;

4. Lending support to, and seeking support for, desirable programs and projects;

5. Reviewing the community's programs in the broad perspective of the overall Community Development Program objectives and making advisory recommendations for further improvement to the City Manager and the City Commission.

G. 1. All recommendations and reports from the Committee shall be made through its secretary to the Clerk of the Commission, who will distribute such recommendations and reports through proper channels, as with

other advisory committees and boards.

2. In making its recommendations the Committee shall consider recommendations that are made to it by state and federal agencies, which state or federal recommendations are not binding on the Committee, but the Committee itself shall determine what it feels is best suited for the City of Gainesville.

3. The Committee shall keep minutes of its meetings.

H. The City Commission will provide, either through existing staff and employees of the City, or through other specifically designated personnel for such staff and administrative assistance as is determined to be necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE that Resolution No. 2, adopted on September 25, 1967, as amended by Resolution No. R-73-36, adopted March 26, 1973, are hereby superseded and repealed and hence forth there will be no Citizens Advisory Committee for the Workable Program.

Dated this 18th day of November, A.D., 1974.



MAYOR-COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



CLERK OF THE COMMISSION