

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 – 10:00 A.M.  
Grace Knight Conference Room  
County Administration Building  
12 Southeast First Street  
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners met for the Special Meeting.

**PRESENT:** Vice Chair Robert “Hutch” Hutchinson, Commissioners Mike Byerly, Ken Cornell and Marihelen Wheeler

**ABSENT:** Chair Charles “Chuck” Chestnut

**ALSO PRESENT:** County Manager Michele Lieberman, County Attorney Sylvia Torres, Deputy Clerk Steve Donahey and Minutes Clerk Loretta Adams

### **Approval of Agenda**

1. Approve the agenda  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Recommended Action:** A Motion to Approve the Agenda: (a) approve any amendments to the Agenda; and (b) adopt the Agenda

County Manager Lieberman requested to add an agreement with True Screen Service Agreement in conjunction with our background checks for the Foster Grand Parent Program to the agenda for approval.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** adoption of the agenda with the amendment to add the True Screen Services Agreement after Item #2. The motion carried 3-0 with Commissioner Wheeler out of the room.

### **Commissioner Proposed Items for Discussion**

2. Proposed Amendments to the Human Rights Ordinance, Chapter 111 of County Code, Providing for Additional Protections from Discrimination in Housing and Real Estate Transactions  
**Fiscal Consideration:** The impact on workload if the proposed amendments to the Human Rights Ordinance are adopted is unknown at this time. No additional staff is being requested until such time that an increase in the number of complaints and investigations warrant a review of workload and staffing.  
**Recommended Action:** Authorize the advertisement of a public hearing to consider amending Chapter 111, Human Rights Ordinance which provides for additional protections from discrimination in housing and real estate transactions.

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Commissioner Wheeler entered at 10:02 A.M.

Equal Opportunity Manager Jackie Chung presented above item.

Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Hutchinson, and County Attorney Torres presented comments.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** the following:

1. Elimination of the word "Immigration or" from Staff proposed wording and focus on Citizenship Status from Chapter 111, Human Rights Ordinance.
2. Request staff to draft language that clarifies this Ordinance does not compel landlords to join the Voucher Program.
3. Authorize the advertisement of the Chapter 111, Human Rights Ordinance

Vice Chair Hutchinson recognized Kalie Blount, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Hutchinson, Shelia Payne, Veronica Valega, County Attorney Torres, Commissioner Cornell, Jeremiah Tattersall, County Manager Lieberman, Ronald Hall, Amanda Nazzaro, Glennette Maxwell, Jesse Cosme, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, County Attorney Torres, and County Manager Lieberman presented comments.

**The motion carried 4-0.**

**ADDED ITEM:**

True Screen Services Agreement

County Manager Lieberman presented the above item.

Mrs. Lieberman stated that this will require that the Board approve the contract, authorize the Community Support Services Director or her designee to authorize the agreement online, waive the County's indemnification policy.

**Commissioner Byerly moved to** approve the contract, authorize the Community Support Services Director or her designee to authorize the agreement online, waive the County's indemnification policy. The motion carried 4-0.

## **Closing Comments**

3. Public comments

**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Hear Public Comments

Vice Chair Hutchinson recognized Glennette Maxwell and Kali Blount who presented comment to the Board.

4. Commission comments

**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Hear Public Com

County Manager Michele Lieberman presented comment regarding the article in The Gainesville Sun indicating changes being made to an Ordinance without being brought to the Board regarding violations of the County Code. Mrs. Lieberman advised that no change was made to the policy. The policy allows a variety of options to deal with violations and the County is investigating which options to use and if they are appropriate.

County Commissioner Byerly presented comments and explained the citation he received because his tenant placed trash containers too close to the curb.

County Attorney Torres, Commissioner Cornell, County Manager Lieberman, Commissioner Wheeler, and County Attorney Torres presented comments.

Vice Chair Hutchinson recognized Glennette Maxwell who presented comments to the Board.

**Commissioner Byerly moved** the following:

1. To direct staff attempt to identify alternate means to collect and dispose of trash in mulita family housing communities in the unincorporated County.
2. That staff provide the information that has been collected from the record request to the Board and that staff continues to analyze the data so that in the future the staff can appropriately answer the questions in the request.

Commissioner Cornell, County Manager Lieberman, and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

County Manager Lieberman stated that she will also bring back a review of the program itself and the allotment of resources being used to enforce the policies regarding trash violations and report back to the Board to review the policy as a whole.

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Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Wheeler, and Commissioner Hutchinson presented comments.

**The motion carried 4-0.**

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 P.M.