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Gainesville City Commission Mail Station 19 PO Box 490 Gainesville, FL 32627

Re: Petitions PB-14-42 & PB-14-43

Dear Commissioners:

I represent Mr. Robert Easton who is the owner of property located at 704 South Main Street. Situated on this site is the "Gainesville Rock Gym" which has provided indoor rock climbing recreation at this location since 1999. The property is included within the proposed T4-M1 zoning district.

Currently indoor recreation is a use by right in the City's mixed-use and commercial zoning districts. Indoor recreation was inadvertently left out of the T4-M1 zoning district. Mr. Easton discussed this omission with staff and requested that the T4-M1 district allow indoor recreation as a use by right.

In the meeting held on April 16, the staff recommended that the proposed land development code be amended to accommodate this change and specifically allow indoor recreation in the proposed T4-M1 zoning district. Such amendment would permit the continuation of Gainesville Rock Gym's business.

Mr. Easton requests the Commission approve the staff's recommendation and amend the proposed land development code accordingly.

Sincerely,

Herbert Webb

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cc: Robert Easton