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Keep
Alachua County
Beautiful

March 1, 2000

Paul Houston
Alachua County Department of Administrative Services
105 SE 1 Avenue, Suite 2B
Gainesville, FL 32601

Dear Mr. Houston:

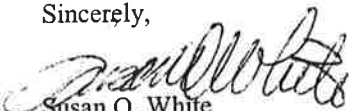
Pursuant our conversation regarding the Keep Alachua County Beautiful Millennium recognition obelisk I am writing to request permission to locate the obelisk on county property. The purpose of this memorial is to recognize individuals', businesses', and government agencies' efforts to make Alachua County a beautiful place to live over the past millennium. Its second purpose is to encourage future residence, businesses and governmental agencies to keep Alachua County a beautiful place to live.

The obelisk will be a six-foot black marble structure. It will be constructed and put into place by O. T. Davis Monuments. Mr. Davis has been in business in Gainesville for many years and has a solid reputation for constructing quality stone pieces. He has produced several memorials for cities and counties throughout north central Florida.

Keep Alachua County Beautiful has met with the Gainesville Arts in Public Places Committee, the city manager's office, and the Downtown Redevelopment Committee in its pursuit to locate this obelisk in the downtown Gainesville Plaza. Every committee has approved our project. The Downtown Redevelopment Committee has approved the location of the obelisk in the Plaza and suggested that we locate it on the grassy space of the Alachua County Courthouse, on the west side of the building (front), south of the front doors (see drawing). They suggested that this would be the most aesthetically pleasing location and suggested that we landscape around the obelisk to set it off. Keep Alachua Beautiful agrees with their suggestion.

In addition to the obelisk, Keep Alachua County Beautiful is creating 8" x 8" brick pavers with the specific recognitions to be placed into the sidewalk that runs immediately in front of the Courthouse, running from University Avenue to 1st Avenue. These pavers would replace existing bricks in the sidewalk, can be walked upon, and would not impede pedestrian traffic on the sidewalk. All of the committees that we have met with have approved this "pavers project" and the location of the pavers. There is some questions if this location is county or city property. Keep Alachua County Beautiful would like to ask the County's permission for the location of the pavers in this location. Keep Alachua County Beautiful will assume responsibility for the placement of the pavers and the obelisk.

Sincerely,


Susan O. White
Board of Directors





Board of County Commissioners

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Paul Houston
Facilities Manager

March 13, 2000

MEMORANDUM

To: Chair Wheat, Commissioners Newport, Chestnut, Clemons and Hutchinson

Via: Randall Reid
County Manager

Via: Milton Baker, Director
Administrative Services

From: Paul Houston *PHH*
Facilities Manager

Subject: Placement of Obelisk on County Property

Facilities Management has received a letter from "Keep Alachua County Beautiful" requesting permission to install an obelisk on County property. The obelisk will be a six foot black marble structure to be located on the grassy space in front of the Alachua County Courthouse. The Keep Alachua County Beautiful Millennium recognition obelisk has been approved by the Gainesville Arts in Public Places Committee, the City Managers' Office and the Downtown Redevelopment Committee.

Unless we hear different, Facilities Management will approve the location of the obelisk on the grassy space in front of the Courthouse.

If you need further information, please call me at 5289.

Attachment



Susan White



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Paul Houston
Facilities Manager

March 28, 2000

Susan O. White
Board of Directors
Keep Alachua County Beautiful
309 North East First Street
Gainesville, Fl. 32601

Dear Susan White:

I am giving you permission for the placement of the obelisk on the Gainesville Downtown Plaza on the grassy area in front of the Alachua County Courthouse to the right of the main front doors.

If I can be of further assistance, please call me at 374-5289.

Sincerely,

Paul Houston
Facilities Manager

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