

Board of County Commissioners

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners

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September 12, 2007

Clovis Watson Alachua City Manager P.O. Box 9 Alachua, FL 32616

Dear Mr. Watson;

In response to your letter of September 5, 2007 the Board of County Commissioners determined at their September 11, 2007 regular meeting that they were not prepared to write a letter of support for the City of Alachua Transit System Business Plan for submittal to the Florida Department of Transportation. The county commission needs more information to even consider any financial commitment to the CATS at this time.

We would like to arrange an opportunity for you or Mayor Coerper to present your business plan to the commission. We would also like to arrange for representatives of the City of Gainesville, RTS, and the MTPO/North Central Florida Regional Planning Council to attend. Please contact Manager Randall H. Reid to coordinate a time convenient for you.

Alachua County is concerned about the need for transit within our county particularly as it relates to social service needs and economic development. However, such efforts need to be addressed in a coordinated manner.

We look forward to meeting with you soon.

Sincerely,

Paula M. DeLaney, Chair

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