

## Where do you stand with purchase, permitting process of GRACE Marketplace site?

The City of Gainesville is proposing to invest 4.1 million dollars into the development of the One Stop Homeless Assistance Center. This includes land acquisition, building design, development approvals and construction of the Center.

- A petition for the Center's Design Plat was considered by the City Commission in July 2010.
- City staff brought the final rankings of the construction firms to the City Commission on August 19, 2010.
- The Center's Planned Development petition is anticipated to be adopted in October 2010.
- As of August 18, 2010, the sellers have submitted the road plans for approval. City staff is working with the seller now to finalize roadway drawings, and then will negotiate a part of the agreement for improvements.
- The adjacent property owners, Commercial Metals, were given until Monday the 23rd to commit to the utility easement. This is part of finalizing the utility layout for construction documents and a part of the plat approval process.
- There are several additional approvals to obtain before the purchase of the property is final. Still to be obtained are the Final Design Plat approval, and site plan approval.
- The next step in this process is planning for the Operational Phase of the Center. The plan is for the Office on Homelessness (OOH) to work with the Grace Marketplace Providers to ensure their commitment to the Center.
- To add residential services in the future, additional funds will be needed. Operational costs of the residential component of the One Stop Center are anticipated to be provided through sublease to a non-profit organization operating the One Stop and/or grant funds.
- OOH has agreed to work with the City, County and local non-profit organizations to identify, research and submit grant applications for funding of the residential services portion of the Center.