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APPLICATION—CITY PLAN BOARD
Planning & Development Services

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Petition No. <u>P2-09-60</u>	Fee: \$ N A	
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Tax Map No	Receipt No.	
Account No. 001-670-6710-3401		
Account No. 001-670-6710-1124	(Enterprise Zone)	
Account No. 001-670-6710-1125	(Enterprise Zone Credit 1	
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Owner(s) of Record (please print)	Applicant(s)/Agent(s), if different
Name: CITY OF GAINESVILLE	Name: Geoffeey Parks
AUGIESS: 40 CITY ATTORNEY & BEGINE	Address: CITY OF FAINESVILLE
10 BOX 1110	STITION OF BAINESVILLE
GAINESVILLE, FL 32602	STATION 66 BOX 490
Phone: (351) 334 - Sood Fax:	GATNESVILLE, FL 3260Z
(Additional owners may be listed at end of applic.)	Phone (352) 334-2227 Fax: (352) 334-2234
or explicit	
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Note: It is recommended that anyone intending to file a petition for amendments to the future land use map or zoning map atlas, meet with the Department of Community Development prior to filing the petition in order to discuss the proposed amendment and petition process. Failure to answer all questions will result in the application being returned to the applicant.

REQUEST

Check applicable request(s) below:

Future Land Use Map []

Zoning Map []

Check applicable request(s) belo	W:	TO CALE
Future Land Use Map []	Zoning Map	Master Flood Control Map
Present designation:	TO THE COLUMN CONTRACT	Other Specify:
Requested designation:	Requested designation:	g specify.

INFORMATION ON PROPERTY
1. Street address: 1500 NW 45th AVE, GAINESVILLE
2. Map no(s): 3349
3. Tax parcel no(s): 07883-010-004, 07883-010-005
4. Size of property:(o_1 \cdot 6) acre(s)
All requests for a land use or zoning change for property of less than 3 acres are encoursed to all
analysis or assessment, at a minimum, justifying the need for the use and the population to be served. All
proposals for property of 3 acres or more must be accompanied by a market analysis report

Certified Cashier's Receipt:

Phone: 352-334-5022

- 5. Legal description (attach as separate document, using the following guidelines):
 - a. Submit on 8 ½ x 11 in. sheet of paper, separate from any other information.
 - May not be included as part of a Purchase Agreement, Contract for Sale, Lease Agreement, Transfer of Title, Warranty Deed, Notice of Ad Valorem Taxes, Print-outs from Property Appraiser's Office, etc.
 - c. Must correctly describe the property being submitted for the petition.
 - d. Must fully describe directions, distances and angles. Examples are: North 20 deg. West 340 feet (not abbreviated as N 20 deg. W 340'); Right-of-Way (not abbreviated as R/W); Plat Book (not abbreviated as PB); Official Records Book 1, page 32 (not abbreviated as OR 1/32); Section 1, Township 9 South, Range 20 East (not abbreviated as S1-T9S-R20E).
 - INFORMATION CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS FOR LAND USE AND/OR ZONING CHANGES (NOTE: All development associated with rezonings and/or land use changes must meet adopted level of service standards and is subject to applicable concurrency requirements.)
 - A. What are the existing surrounding land uses?

North Commercial & INDUSTRIAL

South SINGLE- FAMILY RESIDENTIAL & RELIGIOUS

East SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL

West LOW-DENSITY SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

B. Are there other properties or vacant buildings within ½ mile of the site that have the proper land use and/or zoning for your intended use of this site?

NO ____ YES ___ If yes, please explain why the other properties cannot accommodate the proposed use?

OF 2 PROPERTIES ZONED CON WITHIN

YE MILES, ONE CONTAINS A STORMWATER

POND. UNDER A LEGAL AGREEMENT

WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA, THE GITY

IS REQUIRED TO CHANGE THE ZONING

OF THIS PROPERTY, This REQUIREMENT

WOULD NOT BE MET BY PLACING THE

PROPERTY USES ON OTHER PROPERTIES.

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C. If the request involves nonresidential development adjacent to existing or future residential, what are the impacts of the proposed use of the property on the following:

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Noise and lighting No IMPACTS EXPECTED.

Will the proposed use of the native vegetation, greenway property adjacent to the subject	s, floodplains,	npacted by any creeks, lakes, wetlands, or other environmental factors or by
NO	YES	(If yes, please explain below)

E.	Do	Does this request involve either or both of the following?			
	a.	Property in a historic dist	rict or property containing historic structures?		
		NO _	YES		
	b.	Property with archaeolog	ical resources deemed significant by the State?		
		NO	YES		

F. Which of the following best describes the type of development pattern your development will promote? (please explain the impact of the proposed change on the community):

Redevelopment	Urban Infill
Activity Center	Urban Fringe
	Traditional Neighborhood

CONVERSION OF FORMER AGRICULTURAL

LAND TO A NATURAL AREA WILL HAVE

VIRTUALLY NO IMPACT ON THE CHARACTER

OF THE AREA. THE COMMUNITY WILL

BENEFIT FROM THE PASSIVE PECREATION

AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

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Explanation of how the proposed development will contribute to the community.

THE PROPERTY WILL PROVIDE PASSIVE RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES, AS WELL AS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS
THROUGH WETLANDS & HABITAT PROTECTION.

- G. What are the potential long-term economic benefits (wages, jobs & tax base)?

 TO EFFECT ON JOBS EXPECTED. TAX BASE

 EXPECTED TO INCREASE DUE TO POSITIVE

 EFFECT OF MATURE PARK ON ADJACENT

 PROPERTY VALUES.
- H. What impact will the proposed change have on level of service standards?

Roadways No SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS EXPECTED

Recreation CHANGE WILL INCREASE LEVELS OF SERVICE BY PROVIDING PUBLIC PECPENTIONAL TRAILS.

Water and Wastewater No MPACT

Solid Waste No IMPACT

Mass Transit No IMPACT

I. Is the location of the proposed site accessible by transit, bikeways or pedestrian facilities?

NO ____ YES ___ (please explain)

LOCATION IS ACCESSIBLE VIA SIDEWALKS AND BIKE LAWES FROM NW 45th AVE.

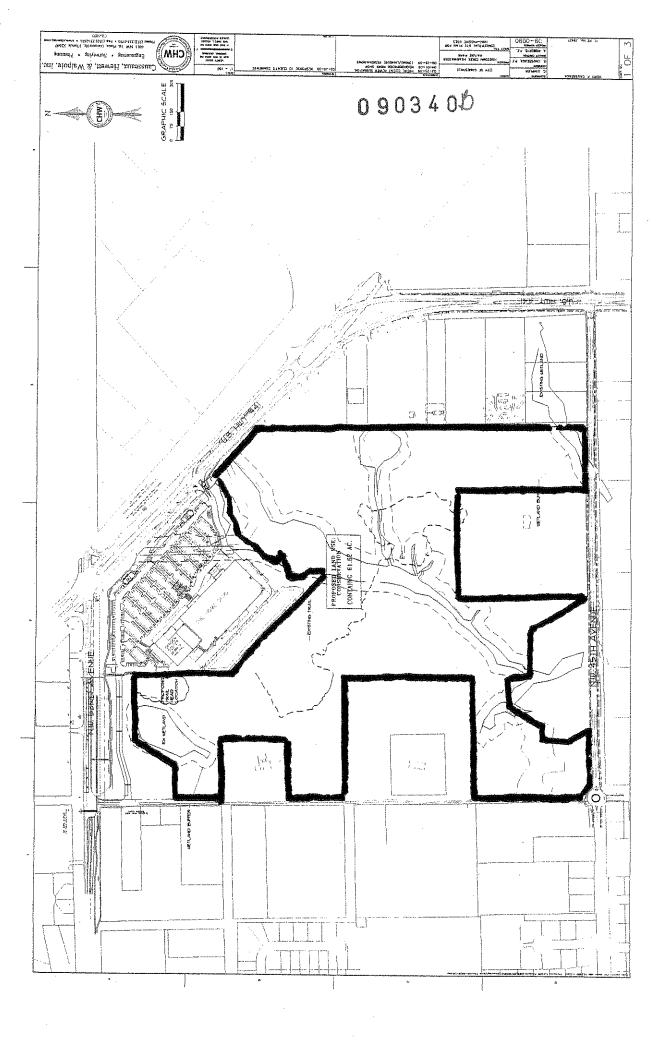
RTS BUSES SERVE NW 13th ST., ABOUT 0.2 MILES FROM THE SITE, AND NW 53FD AVE, ABOUT 200 FEET FROM THE SITE.

CERTIFICATION

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The undersigned has read the above application and is familiar with the information submitted. It is agreed and understood that the undersigned will be held responsible for its accuracy. The undersigned hereby attests to the fact that the parcel number(s) and legal description(s) shown in questions 3 and 5 is/are the true and proper identification of the area for which the petition is being submitted. Signatures of all owners or their agent are required on this form. Signatures by other than the owner(s) will be accepted only with notarized proof of authorization by the owner(s).

Owner of Record	Owner of Record
Name: CITY OF GAINESVILLE	Name:
Address: YO CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE	Address:
P.O. BOX 1110	
GARINESULLE, FL 32602	
Phone: /352) 334-5000 Fax:	Phone: Fax:
Signature: Sedu Hyung	Signature:
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Owner of Record	Owner of Record
Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
Phone: Fax:	Phone: Fax:
Signature:	Signature:
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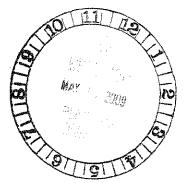




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Date: April 7, 2009

For: The City of Gainesville

Job No. 09-0090

Legal Description:

Parcels 4 and 5 of a Minor Subdivision at the SW corner of Highway No. 441 and NW 53rd Avenue in Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, Alachua County, Florida recorded in Minor Subdivision Book 2, Pages 84-86, being more particularly described as follows:

Parcel 4

Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northwest ¼ of Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, Alachua County, Florida and run thence North 89°14'27" East along the North line of said Section 19, a distance of 2664.71 feet to an intersection with the Northerly projection of the East Rightof-Way line of NW 19th Street; thence run South 00°42′53" East, along said Northerly projection, 50.00 feet to the South Right-of-Way line of NW 53rd Avenue; thence run North 89°14'27" East along said South Right-of-Way line, a distance of 660.17 feet; thence run South 00°42'33" East, 655.50 feet; thence South 46°32'08" East, 658.39 feet to the point of curvature of a curve concave Northeasterly, having a radius of 512.72 feet and a central angle of 07°47'06"; thence run Southeasterly along the arc of said curve an arc distance of 69.66 feet to the point of beginning; thence run North 06°31'22" East, 69.55 feet; thence North 38°27'24"West, 51.57 feet; thence North 10°22'47"East, 29.85 feet, thence North 00°02'42"West, 52.18 feet; thence North 77°01'02"East, 50.14 feet; thence North 32°06′10″East, 135.13 feet; thence North 47°07'05" East, 55.68 feet; North 29°57'57" East, 77.00 feet; thence North 23°30′55" East, 17.27 feet; thence North 16°03′26" East, 4.00 feet; thence North 74°42'11" East 58.49 feet; thence North 65°23'58" East, 73.31 feet; thence North 82°30′34"East, 94.85 Feet; thence North 60°06′29"East, 59.75 feet; thence North 43°54′18" East, 31.28 feet; thence North 65°16′51" East, 48.46 feet to the Southwesterly Right-of-Way line of US Highway No. 441 (State Road No. 25 & NW 13th Street); thence run South 46°38'42" East along said Southwesterly Right-of-way line, 75.89 feet to a point of curvature of a curve concave Southwesterly, having a radius of 5679.58 feet and a central angle of 08°26′00" and being subtended by a chord bearing and distance of South 42°36'21" East, 835.22 feet, respectively, thence run Southeasterly along the arc of said curve,

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an arc distance of 835.98 feet; thence run South 89°11′43″West, 373.70 feet; thence North 00°42′01″West, 10.33 feet; thence South 89°13′02″West, 464.51 feet to the point of curvature of a curve concave Northeasterly, having a radius of 512.72 feet and a central angle of 36°27′44″; thence run Northwesterly along the arc of said curve, an arc distance of 326.29 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 11.10 Acres, more or less.

Less and Except

A parcel of land lying in Parcel 4 of a Minor Subdivision at the SW corner of Highway No. 441 and NW 53rd Avenue in Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, Alachua County, Florida recorded in Minor Subdivision Book 2, Pages 84-86, being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northwest ¼ of Section 19. Township 9 South, Range 20 East, Alachua County, Florida and run thence North 89°14'27" East along the North line of said Section 19, a distance of 2664.71 feet to an intersection with the Northerly projection of the East Rightof-Way line of NW 19th Street; thence run South 00°42′53″East, along said Northerly projection, 50.00 feet to the South Right-of-Way line of NW 53rd Avenue; thence run North 89°14'27" East along said South Right-of-Way line, a distance of 660.17 feet; thence run South 00°42'33" East, 655.50 feet; thence South 46°32′08" East, 658.39 feet to the point of curvature of a curve concave Northeasterly having a radius of 512.72 feet and a central angle of 44°14′50″; thence run Southeasterly along the arc of said curve an arc distance of 395.95 feet; thence run North 89°13'02" East, 464.51 feet to the point of beginning; thence run North 00°42'01"West, 426.55 feet to the Southwesterly Right-of-Way line of US Highway No 441 (State Road No 25 & NW 13th Street) and a point on a curve concave Southwesterly, having a radius of 5679.58 feet, a central angle of 05°47′49" and being subtended by a chord bearing and distance of South 41°17"15" East, 574.39 feet, respectively; thence run Southeasterly along said Southwesterly Right-of-Way line and the arc of said curve, an arc distance of 574.63 feet; thence run South 89°11′43"West, a distance of 373.70 feet; thence run North 00°42′01"West, 10.33 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1.94 Acres, more or less.

Parcel 5

Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northwest ¼ of Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, Alachua County, Florida and run thence North 89°14′27″East along the North line of said Section 19, a distance of 2664.71 feet to an intersection with the Northerly projection of the East Right-of-Way line of NW 19th Street; thence run South 00°42′53″East, along said Northerly projection, 50.00 feet to the South Right-of-Way line of NW 53rd

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Avenue to the point of beginning; thence run North 89°14'27" East along said South Right-of-Way line, a distance of 660.17 feet; thence run South 00°42'33" East, 655.50 feet; thence South 46°32'08" East, 658.39 feet to the point of curvature of a curve concave Northeasterly, having a radius of 512.72 feet and a central angel of 44°14′50"; thence run Southeasterly along the arc of said curve an arc distance of 395.95 feet; thence run North 89°13'02" East, 464.90 feet; thence South 00°42'01" East, 10.34 feet; thence run South 00°42′02″East, 1297.21 feet to the North Right-of-Way line of NW 45th Avenue; thence Run South 89°13'09"West, 894.79 feet; thence North 29°36′50"West, 342.45 feet; thence South 89°13′09"West, 259.54 feet; thence North 00°42'33"West, 125.00 feet; thence South 89°13'09"West, 150.68 feet; thence South 28°56′32″West, 201.51 feet; thence South 89°13′09″West, 80.00 feet; thence South 00°48'35" East, 140.00 feet; thence South 29°24'49" East, 125.33 feet to said North Right-of-Way line; thence South 89°13'09West along said North Right-of-Way line, 295.00 feet; thence North 58°01'35"West, 83.17 feet to the East Right-of-Way line of NW 19th Street; thence North 00°42′53″West along said East Right-of-Way line, 566.07 feet; thence North 89°13′05" East, 634.99 feet; thence North 00°42′33" West, 686.08 feet; thence South 89°13'02"West, 635.05 feet to said East Right-of-Way line, thence North 00°42′53″West, 304.01 feet; thence North 89°11′45″East, 305.04 feet; thence North 00°42'43"West, 354.12 feet; thence South 89°10'28"West, 305.06 feet; thence North 00°42′53"West, 612.94 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 64.74 Acres, more or less.

Less and Except

A portion of Parcel 5 of a Minor Subdivision at the SW corner of Highway No. 441 and NW 53rd Avenue in Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, Alachua County, Florida recorded in Minor Subdivision Book 2, Pages 84-86, being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northwest ¼ of Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, Alachua County, Florida and run thence North 89°14′27″ East along the North line of said Section 19, a distance of 2664.71 feet to an intersection with the Northerly projection of the East Right-of-Way line of NW 19th Street; thence run South 00°42′53″ East, along said Northerly projection, 50.00 feet to the Northwest corner of said Parcel 5 and the Point of Beginning; thence run North 89°14′27″ East along the South Right-of-Way line of NW 53rd Avenue and along the North line of said Tract 5, a distance of 660.42 feet to the Northeast corner of said Tract 5; thence run South 00°42′33″ East along the East line of said Tract 5, a distance of 155.00 feet; thence South 89°14′20″West, a distance of 360.00 feet; thence South 80°06′11″West, a distance of 244.64 feet; thence South 89°14′20″West, a distance of 175.00 feet to the East Right-of-Way line of NW 19th Street and the

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West line of said Tract 5; thence run North 00°43′31″West along said East Right-of-Way line and said West line, a distance of 365.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Less and Except

A parcel of land being a portion of Blocks 18, 19, 31, and 32 per the Plat of Paradise, as recorded in Plat Book "A", page 4, of the Public Records of Alachua County, Florida, all being situated in Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 20 East, Alachua County, Florida, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at a 5/8" rebar & cap marked "LB 7148" at the intersection of the East line of said Block 31 with the North Right of Way line of Northwest 45th Avenue (a 100 foot Right of Way); thence South 89°13′09" West, along said North Right of Way line, a distance of 333.71 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 89°13′09" West, along said North Right of Way line, a distance of 561.08 feet; thence departing said North Right of Way line, North 00°46′51" West, a distance of 683.19 feet; thence North 89°13′09" East, a distance of 561.08 feet; thence South 00°46′51" East, a distance of 683.19 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 8.80 acres, more or less.

The above described land contains a total net acreage of 61.60 acres, more or less.

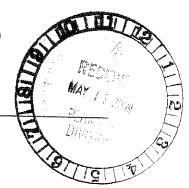
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CITY of GAINESVILLE

Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs



NEIGHBORHOOD WORKSHOP

For a Nature Park located at 1500 NW 45th Ave., Gainesville, FL.

Date: April 1, 2009 Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Baha'i Center of Gainesville, 4451 NW 19th St., Gainesville FL

Contact: Geoffrey Parks, (352) 334-2227

The City of Gainesville will be holding a neighborhood workshop to discuss: a request to change land use to Conservation and to change zoning to Conservation district for nature trails and boardwalks on 64.6 acres; and to change land use to Recreation and to change zoning to PS (Public service and operations district) for a playground, interpretive center, volleyball or other active recreation, picnic pavilion, restrooms, and parking on 8.8 acres.

CON zoning permits passive parks and recreational facilities, along with other uses (a complete list of permitted uses is enclosed). PS zoning permits a variety of uses, including public parks and recreational areas (a complete list of permitted uses is enclosed). This is not a public hearing. The purpose of the meeting is to inform neighboring property owners of the nature of the proposal and to seek comments. A preliminary site plan will be available for viewing. We look forward to seeing you there.

Permitted Uses in Conservation District:

- (1) Uses by right.
- a. Passive public parks and recreational facilities as defined in the comprehensive plan, and which do not create an adverse impact on natural areas.
- b. Public lands designated for open space or conservation.
- c. Open space buffers between incompatible land uses.
- d. Single-family dwellings (one unit per five acres) and customary accessory buildings incidental thereto.
- e. Private recreational or open space lands which have had development rights conveyed to the public, or for which a covenant of at least ten years' duration is executed ensuring that only open space, outdoor recreation or park uses shall be permitted, in accordance with F.S. § 193.501.
- f. Water conservation areas, water reservoirs and control structures, drainage wells and water wells.
- g. Emergency shelters.
- h. Arboreta and botanical or zoological gardens (GN-842).
- i. Any accessory use which is incidental to any permitted principal use.
- j. Community residential homes in accordance with Article VI.
- (2) Uses by special use permit. Uses by special use permit, provided the conditions and requirements of Article VI are met: Transmitter towers.

Permitted Uses in Public Services and Operations District

- (c) Uses permitted by right. The specific use(s) permitted on the subject property shall be specified as a part of the ordinance which places this classification on a particular area of ground and may include:
- (1) Libraries and information centers (GN-823).
- (2) U.S. Postal Service (MG-43).
- (3) Museums, art galleries and botanical and zoological gardens (MG-84).
- (4) Public administration (Div. J).
- (5) Local and suburban transit and interurban highway passenger transportation (MG-41).
- (6) Public golf courses (IN-7992).
- (7) Commercial sports (GN-794).
- (8) Pipelines, except natural gas (MG-46).
- (9) Electric, gas and sanitary services (MG-49).
- (10) Amusement parks (IN-7996).
- (11) Membership sports and recreation clubs (IN-7997).
- (12) Amusement and recreation services, not elsewhere classified (IN-7999).
- (13) Cemeteries.
- (14) Public service vehicles, in accordance with article VI.
- (15) Any other use specified in the ordinance rezoning property to this classification.
- (16) Any use customarily incidental to any permitted principal use.
- (17) Public lands designated for open space or conservation.
- (18) Activity-based private recreational or open space lands which have had development rights conveyed to the public, or for which a covenant of at least ten-years' duration is executed ensuring that only open space outdoor recreation or park uses shall be permitted in accordance with F.S. § 193.501.
- (19) Activity-based public parks and recreational facilities as defined by the comprehensive plan.
- (20) Golf driving ranges.
- (21) Pitch-n-putt golf.
- (22) Utility lines.

- (23) Water conservation areas, water reservoirs and control structures, drainage wells and water wells.
- (24) Transmitter towers in accordance with article VI.
- (25) Camps and recreational vehicle parks (GN-703).
- (26) Places of religious assembly, in accordance with article VI.
- (d) Uses by special use permit.
- (1) Food distribution center for the needy in accordance with article VI.
- (2) Residences for destitute people in accordance with article VI.

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rs determined two semis, six vehicles were involved

Faulkner, 19, arbor was l in the center driving a 2003 -door. eportedly a 2007 Chevror being driven in the center nony Jones, 22, assa. re into the median after Faulkner and not injured, FHP. telton, 30, of as behind d Jones and a 1998 Mack. g a hydraulic neaded north lane. Trooper

Skelton "observed the slowed and stopped traffic ahead, he took evasive action and steered to the left."

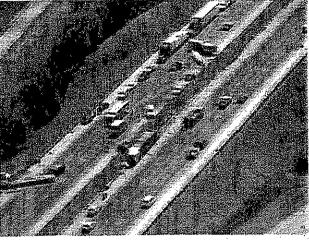
The maneuver made the hydraulic crane Skelton was hauling fall off the trailer and partially strike a 2007, two-door Porsche being driven behind him by Daniel Mitchell, 44, of Gainesville. Mitchell was taken to Shands at the University of Florida for treatment of minor injuries and Skelton was taken to North Florida Regional Medical Center with minor injuries.

The crane also hit the back of a 2008 Chrysler 300 being driven by Steven Glick, 49, of Boca Raton. Glick was also taken to Shands at UF with minor injuries.

The impact of the crane hitting the Chrysler made the Chrysler hit a 2003, four-door Volkswagen being driven by Anne Myers, 21, of Odessa. She was not injured, according to FHP.

Next, the Chrysler collided with Faulkner's Toyota. Meanwhile, Skelton's semi veered across the freeway into the center grass median, where it hit a 2007 Regency van being driven by Kathleen Tessmer, 60, of Junction City, Wis. She was taken to North Florida Regional with minor injuries.

Kenneth Mazerolle, 74, of Dade City was driving a 1999 Mack semi hauling a load of lumber when he steered to the left to avoid



TACTICAL FLIGHT OFFICER MIKE MOORE/ALACHUA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

This photo of Monday's multi-car crashes on interstate 75 gives investigators an overall view of the incident.

Skelton's dropped load and smashed into the metal guardrail in the median. Mazerolle and Mazerolle's passenger, Andrew Martinez, 19, of Dade City, escaped without injuries.

Details about the involvement of another car, a 2003 four-door BMW being driven by Eugene Gamble, 22, of Gainesville, were not immediately available. However, Trooper Murphy noted in his report that Gamble received minor injuries and was taken to North Florida Regional.

An investigation into the collisions was continuing. Tuesday, and no citations had been written.

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REGINA MARTIN, graduate student in English

Regina Martin, a graduate student in English, criticized the College of Education's consideration of cutting its undergraduate programs. The college was asked to evaluate the pros and cons of the idea as part of cuts.

"Education, it seems, does not contribute to the university's bottom line so it must go," she said.

Martin was among graduate assistants at the

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meeting to protest an impasse in contract negotiations over a cost-of-living increase. Deeb Kitchen, co-president of the graduate assistants union, said graduate workers struggle to pay the bills yet bear the brunt of the

teaching load.

"Without question we constitute the real foundation of the Gator Nation," he said.

Emery, representing United Faculty of Florida, said the faculty union would not tolerate layoffs being used as part of a restructuring of the university.

Layoffs "should be avoided at almost any cost, not seized upon as a nifty trick," she said. After the meeting,
Machen said the university faced tough choices
after already slashing the
budget last year. The
university will attempt to
avoid layoffs, he said, but
must take other factors
into consideration.

Avoiding layoffs "is a priority," he said. "It is not the only priority."

Contact Nathan Crabbe at 338-3176 or nathan. crabbe@gvillesun.com.





PUBLIC NOTICE

A neighborhood workshop will be held to discuss: a change of land use to Conservation and a change of zoning to Conservation district for nature trails and boardwalks on 64.6 acres located at 1500 NW 45th Ave.; and, a change of land use to Recreation and a change of zoning to PS (Public services and operations district) for a playground, interpretive center, volleyball or other active recreation, picnic pavilion, restrooms, and parking on 8.8 acres located at 1500 NW 45th Ave. This is not a public hearing. The purpose of the meeting is to inform neighboring property, owners of the nature of the proposal and to seek their comments.

The meeting will be held Wednesday, April 1, 2009, at 7:00 pm at the Baha'i Center of Gainesville, 4451 NW 19th St., Gainesville FL 32605. Contact person: Geoffrey Parks, (352) 334-2227



Hogtown Creek Headwaters Nature Park Land Use Change

Neighborhood Workshop

April 1, 2009

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Hogtown Creek Headwaters Nature Park Large-scale Future Land Use Amendment Neighborhood Workshop Minutes Baha'i Center of Gainesville, 4451 NW 19th St., Gainesville April 1, 2009

Meeting began at 7:00pm

Geoff Parks began the workshop with an overview of the park location, project plan, and acquisition requirements. He communicated that the City wants to rezone and change the land use of the majority (~64 acres) of the property to Conservation and about 8 acres to Public Services. He also discussed the requirements the City is bound to as per the purchase agreement with Florida Communities Trust which are to protect the natural features, provide recreational amenities, and provide nature trails, a picnic pavilion, and 2 recreation uses. Geoff continued to elaborate that this meeting was to discuss the large scale land use area, which is shown on the map, but that the actual site plan development is still being worked on and will be further discussed at future meetings. Questions were then taken regarding the land use changes proposed. No one had questions specifically for the large scale land use change, although all were happy that the area was going to be a park. There were a number of questions regarding specifics about the site development. Each question posed and the responses are listed below.

- Question (Q): Is a road going to go from 45th through the park to Home Depot?
 Response (R): No.
- Q: Will the house remain on the site?
 R: We are evaluating the cost analysis between renovating and building new.
- 3. Q: Are we [the City] prepared to enumerate the Public Service land uses? R: Yes. It will be limited to what we are required to by the State.
- Q: Will the creek be left as it is?
 R: Yes. We will make sure the creek and other wetlands are healthy and protected.
- 5. Q: Is the City looking into the Jureko property and trying to protect it?
 R: The landowner has been in contact with the County and the City has been kept abreast of the situation. (Multiple people stated that that property has very nice woods and they want to make sure it is protected.)
- 6. Q: Does the City own the property?R: Yes. (One man pointed out that he talked to someone within Nature Operations and they did not know that the City actually owned the

property, he suggested all City staff should be made aware of new acquisitions.)

- Q: Are there any pet restrictions?
 R: Yes. All pets must be on a leash when they are in any City owned park that allows pets.
- 8. Q: Any management going to be done on the retention ponds off of 45th? R: We will be in discussions with the other departments about what may or may not need to be done regarding those ponds.
- Q: When will the City park close?
 R: All our parks are either dawn to dusk or set hours. This park will have 2 gated entrances so it will have set hours and will be opened/closed on our existing contract.
- 10. Q: Will you fence the property?R: At least parts of it.
- 11. Q: How will the City pay for all this?
 R: We have a donation from Home Depot for \$250,000 and the Wild Spaces Public Places funding has a line item for this project.
- 12. Q: What are the City's policies on security and police?
 R: Our SOP is that we communicate with GPD to let them know the property is now a park and is open to the public so they are aware of it and can patrol as necessary. (One man said it would be a better situation when the park is developed so the police will have access to the property. Another man said he goes walking there at all hours and hasn't come across a criminal element yet.)
- 13. Q: When will it become a park?
 R: We will probably start actual development sometime early next year.
 Right now we are still in the planning phases.
- 14. Q: What about invasive plant control?
 R: We receive funding for invasive control through a State grant program and we also control invasives in-house. This site will be the focus of a grant application for 2010 and we'll continue to control as needed. (One man suggested that we encourage adjacent landowners to control their ardisia.)
- 15. Q: What about restoration of the mesic hammock?R: Restoration will be planned for.
- 16. Q: Will there be multiple entrances?

R: Yes. There will be one entrance off of 45th and another off the Home Depot parking lot.

17. Q: Are there times when the residents should come to support the project at meetings?

R: Not really. The citizens have already shown their support for the park by the Walmart supercenter outcry and by voting for the WSPP tax. However, any citizen is welcome to attend any public meeting to support/discuss the project.

18. Q: How long are the trails?

R: Unsure exactly because we will be rerouting the existing trails once we have a better site plan in place, but the property is about ½ mile from north to south.

- 19. Q: Will there be bridges along the trail system?R: We would have boardwalks/bridges in the wetlands and earthen trails in the uplands.
- 20. Q: What considerations would we take for wildlife (fox, deer, owls, etc.)? Placement of trails is important to make sure that there are pockets of land within the trail system for wildlife refuge. R: We agree.
- 21. Q: Is the name concrete? It's a bit of a mouthful—what about Paradise Nature Park?

R: Good point. It is something we can certainly consider. (Side note: we have also been asked to call it Hartman Nature Park. Maybe this is something we need to discuss with Michelle and Steve further and what implications a name change would have on all the other paperwork we have for the park.)

22. Q: Would we expect a lot more traffic on 19th St.?
R: Not necessarily. We don't see heavy use of our Nature Parks versus the active recreation parks and we are not aware of any plans to make changes to 19th. The entrance is east of 19th so most people may be coming along 45th and 13th.

At this point Geoff said time was coming to an end and if there were any final comments then we would be wrapping up the meeting. Ending sentiments were that they were relieved to know it will be a park and not some other type of development. One man said it would be good for the value of the neighborhood.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.