

RESOLUTION NO. 090044

PASSED: _____

A Resolution of the City of Gainesville, Florida, to approve the PACE Alachua Expansion project as a Project Sponsor for the Enterprise Zone Community Contribution Tax Credit Program.

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville has adopted an Enterprise Zone program which offers various incentives to encourage redevelopment of the Enterprise Zone; and,

WHEREAS, the Community Contribution Tax Credit is an incentive offered by the State of Florida which allows businesses anywhere in the state to take a 50% credit on their Florida corporate income tax, insurance premium tax, or sales tax refund for donations made to Project Sponsors designated by the State of Florida Office of Tourism, Trade and Economic Development (OTTED); and,

WHEREAS, OTTED designates projects that provide, construct, improve or substantially rehabilitate housing, commercial, industrial or public resources and facilities, or projects that improve entrepreneurial & job development opportunities for low-income persons within Enterprise Zones; and,

WHEREAS, the Gainesville Technology Enterprise Center is currently the only designated project in the City of Gainesville's Enterprise Zone and there is opportunity for additional projects to be designated as Project Sponsors; and,

WHEREAS, PACE Center for Girls of Alachua (PACE) is a non-residential delinquency prevention program that targets the needs of females ages 12 to 18 who are identified as dependent, truant, runaway, delinquent, or in need of academic skills; and

WHEREAS, PACE is located at 1010 S.E. 4th Avenue within the City's Enterprise Zone; and,

WHEREAS, the PACE is undertaking an expansion of the existing center with the construction of seven new classrooms and the remodeling of the current facility; and,

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2009, the City of Gainesville requested OTTED designate the PACE expansion as a Project Sponsor for purposes of the Community Contribution Tax Credit Program; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville Planning Division has approved the development plan for the PACE expansion on March 12, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, OTTED requires as part of the designation process a resolution from the local government stating that the project proposed for designation is consistent with local plans and regulations,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE FLORIDA:

Section 1. The City of Gainesville supports the designation of the PACE Alachua Expansion as a Project Sponsor for the Enterprise Zone Community Contribution Tax Credit Program and confirms to OTTED that the proposed PACE expansion project is consistent with local plans and regulations (including comprehensive plans) based on the project's development plan approval granted by the City on March 12, 2009.

Passed and adopted this 4th day of June, 2009

PEGEEN HANRAHAN
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Approved as to form and legality:

KURT M. LANNON
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

MARION J. RADSON
CITY ATTORNEY