



# Alachua County Board of County Commissioners

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February 14, 2017

Mayor Lauren Poe  
 City of Gainesville Commission  
 PO Box 490  
 Gainesville, FL 32602-0490

***RE: Interlocal Agreement between Alachua County and the City of Gainesville for Distribution of Wild Spaces & Public Places Environmental Lands, Parks and Recreation One-Half Percent Sales Tax***

Dear Mayor Poe:

At the Feb. 14, 2017 Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Meeting, the Commission discussed the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Gainesville for joint projects of mutual interest funded through Wild Spaces Public Places.

The County Commission voted unanimously to execute the Agreement with the attached, revised, "Exhibit A." The County will execute the original Agreement, and a fully executed copy will be emailed and the original mailed to you, upon receipt of the City's agreement to this change. The two specific projects added meet the County's desired criteria of open space acquisition (Weiss Property) and connectivity between existing recreation areas (Sweetwater Branch Recreational Trail). If additional information is available on the Sweetwater Branch Recreational Trail, the County Commission has expressed interest in receiving that information for review via email at [Bocc@alachuacounty.us](mailto:Bocc@alachuacounty.us).

The County Commission also received numerous emails, and received public comment, in opposition to the City's Palm Point project. While the County understands that this is not our park, the County Commission has expressed reservations about the project and encourages you to listen online to the public comments made at our Feb. 14 meeting at: [http://alachua.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=8](http://alachua.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=8).

I welcome you to contact me should you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ken Cornell".

Ken Cornell, Chair  
 Alachua County Commission  
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cc: Board of County Commissioners  
 Lee A. Niblock, County Manager  
 Michele Lieberman, County Attorney

## Exhibit A

- a. Sweetwater Branch Recreational Trail
- b. Weiss Property Acquisition
- c. Projects of mutual interest to the City of Gainesville and Alachua County, which may take precedents over the projects identified above.