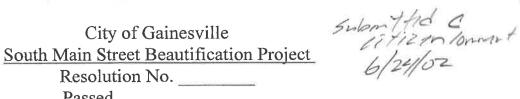
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A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND HIS STAFF TO ENTER INTO A HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION AGREEMENT AND LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, South Main Street (State Road329) is an important gateway into Gainesville; and

WHEREAS, because the medians in South Main Street between the intersections with SW 16th Avenue and Williston Road (State Road 331) are fully finished with curbs, with drainage managed by an adequate and functional storm water removal system; and

WHEREAS, no FDOT or Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization Transportation Improvement Plans include reconstruction of this corridor or other activities that might harm landscaping added to the medians; and

WHEREAS, registered Landscape Architect Noel R. Lake, a member of the Tree Advisory Board, has developed a landscape plan and \$250,000 budget to plant the medians in this corridor with Phoenix sylvestris Date Palms and Perennial Peanut; and

WHEREAS, this project has been presented to the City Beautification Board and to the City Commission and received their verbal approval; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation has verbally agreed to fully fund the construction of this project provided that the City will agree to maintain the landscape after it has been completed; and

WHEREAS, the mayor and City Commission desire that the City of Gainesville beautify and improve various rights-of-way areas within the City of Gainesville by landscaping;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Fla.:

Section1. The Mayor and City Commission of the City of Gainesville hereby authorize the City Manager and his staff to enter into a Highway Beautification Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Gainesville and the State of Florida Department of Transportation.

Section2. The City Clerk of the City of Gainesville is hereby directed to send copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and all other persons as directed by the Mayor and City Commisssion.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City of assembled this day of June, 2002.	Commission of Gainesville, Florida at regular meeting
	THOMAS C. BUSING MAYOR
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM
KURT M. LANNON CLERK OF THE COMMISSION	MARION J. RADSON