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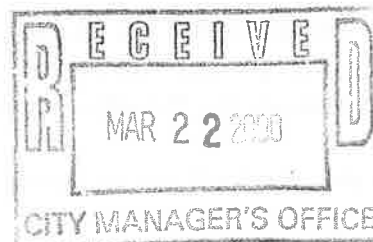
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Mr. Wayne Bowers, Manager
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VIA FAX # 334-3114⁹

RE: Proposed Voluntary Annexation (Kidd Property)

Administration

Randall H. Reid
County Manager

Dear Mr. Bowers:

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the Urban Services Report (USR) adopted January 24, 2000 (City Ordinance No. 990866) for the proposed voluntary annexation of the "Kidd Property" located north of Williston Road and west of SW 21st Street. Based on review by the County's annexation review team, the Board directed that I send this letter indicating the following:

- The proposed annexation meets the major requirements of annexation law;
- The description of fire services on page 2 of the USR should read: "Fire protection services in the incorporated and unincorporated urban area are currently provided jointly by Alachua County Fire Rescue Department and the Gainesville Fire Rescue through a 'Designated Assistance Agreement.' The initial response to this proposed annexation site is by Gainesville Fire Rescue Stations 1 and 2, with Alachua County Fire Rescue units supporting.";
- It should be noted, in connection with the discussion of the "Character of the Area to Be Annexed" on page 1 of the USR, that the property is located within the Idylwild/Soronola Special Area Study (SAS) adopted as part of the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan. The SAS Environmental Resources Map identifies this area as "Tree Canopy".

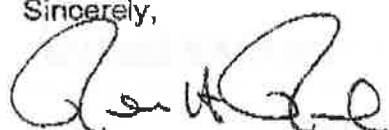


which requires site specific assessment of tree canopy and provision for its protection as a part of development review. The County recommends that the City include in its Comprehensive Plan amendments and land development regulations for this area at least the same level of protection as the County's Idylwild/Serenola Special Area Study policies (Future Land Use Element policies under Objective 12.4) and implementing regulations (Article III of Ch. 394 of the Alachua County Unified Land Development Code).

In addition, to make sure the County Property Appraiser has an accurate description of the property, please send a metes and bounds legal description of the property when it is annexed to the County Property Appraiser care of Charlotte Wigglesworth

Thank you for the opportunity to review the USR for this proposed annexation.

Sincerely,



Randall H. Reid
County Manager

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