

**RESOLUTION NO. 020608**  
**PASSED November 12, 2002**

**A resolution of the City Commission of Gainesville, Florida authorizing the City Manager to apply for Community and Urban Forestry Grant to assist Gainesville's recovery from the Southern Pine Beetle Outbreak, and authorizing his staff to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Florida Department of Agriculture to accomplish specific projects.**

**WHEREAS**, Gainesville's urban forest has been damaged by the Southern Pine Beetle (SPB) infestations of 2001-2002; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Department of Agriculture Division of Forestry has tentatively approved the City of Gainesville to receive a \$100,000 grant to help with recovery efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, projects have been identified in Springtree Park, Audubon Nature Park, Morningside Nature Center, and along streets in neighborhoods with extensive tree loss; and

**WHEREAS**, activities to match in-kind the \$100,000 grant include the GRU Tree-Give-Away, changing the Gainesville Land Development Code to promote activities that will reduce the frequency and severity of future SPB outbreaks, proactive helicopter surveillance to identify SPB infestations to facilitate suppressing the population of these insects in urban areas, as well as staff's coordination and assistance on the identified projects;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA AUTHORIZES THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FOR \$100,000 TO BE MATCHED WITH \$100,000 IN-KIND AND ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF FORESTRY TO ACCOMPLISH THE IDENTIFIED PROJECTS.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 12 day of November, 2002.

  
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THOMAS B. BUSSING  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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KURT M. LANDON  
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

Approved as to form and legality

  
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MARION J. RADSON  
CITY ATTORNEY

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