1	ORDINANCE NO. 120326
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Planned Development commonly known as "One College Park" located in the vicinity of the 1700 block between NW 1 st Avenue and NW 2 nd Avenue; by amending City of Gainesville Ordinance No. 080753 that rezoned the property to Planned Development and adopted the Development Plan; amending the Planned Development to add "dormitory" as defined in this Ordinance to the list of uses permitted by right under certain conditions; defining "dormitory"; adopting a revised development plan report and revised development plan maps; acknowledging extension granted pursuant to Ordinance No. 120129; providing a severability clause; and providing an immediate effective date.
13 14	WHEREAS, the City Commission, on May 7, 2009, adopted Ordinance No. 080753 that
15	rezoned the subject property of this ordinance to Planned Development (PD) zoning and adopted
16	certain development plan maps, a report and conditions for the "One College Park" Planned
17	Development; and
18	WHEREAS, The owner/developer has requested an amendment to PD Ordinance No.
19	080753 for the purpose of allowing a dormitory as a permitted use under certain conditions, as
20	more fully set forth in this ordinance;
21	WHEREAS, notice was given and publication made as required by law of a public
22	hearing which was held by the City Plan Board on August 23, 2012; and
23	WHEREAS, notice was given and publication made as required by law of a public
24	hearing which was held by the City Commission on October 4, 2012; and
25	WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that this amendment of Ordinance No. 080753
26	"One College Park" Planned Development is consistent with the City of Gainesville
27	Comprehensive Plan; and
28	WHEREAS, at least ten (10) days notice has been given once by publication in a
29	newspaper of general circulation prior to the adoption public hearing notifying the public of this
	Petition No. PB-12-83 PDA CODE : Words <u>stricken</u> are deletions; words <u>underlined</u> are additions.

- 1 proposed ordinance and of a public hearing in the City Hall Auditorium, First Floor, City Hall in
- 2 the City of Gainesville; and
- 3 WHEREAS, public hearings were held pursuant to the published notice described above
- 4 at which hearings the parties in interest and all others had an opportunity to be and were, in fact,
- 5 heard.
- 6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE
- 7 CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:
- 8 Section 1. The development plan report entitled "Planned Development Report",
- 9 dated October 12, 2008, identified as Exhibit "B" incorporated and made a part of Section 3 of
- Ordinance No. 080753, is amended and superseded in its entirety by the adoption of a revised
- development plan report entitled "II. Planned Development Report", dated July 10, 2012,
- 12 attached hereto as Exhibit "1" and made a part hereof as if set forth in full. The terms,
- conditions, and limitations of the "II. Planned Development Report" shall regulate the use and
- development of the property described in Section 1 of Ordinance No. 080753.
- Section 2. The development plan maps consisting of 7 sheets and identified as Exhibit
- 16 "C" to Ordinance No. 080753 are amended and superseded in their entirety by the adoption of
- 17 revised development plan maps last revised on August 6, 2012, attached hereto as Exhibit "2"
- and made a part hereof as if set forth in full. The terms, conditions, and limitations of the revised
- development plan maps shall regulate the use and development of the property described in
- 20 Section 1 of Ordinance No. 080753.
- 21 Section 3. Paragraph 3 of Section 4 of Ordinance No. 080753 is amended and a new
- Paragraph 3A is created and added to said Section, to read as follows:

1	3.	The allowed uses on the subject property are a hotel, <u>a</u>
2		dormitory, parking garage, apartment units and commercial
3		uses enumerated in Exhibit "D" "3" attached hereto and
4		made a part hereof as if set forth in full. The dormitory
5		shall be allowed within the same building as the
6		commercial uses which may include eating or drinking
7		places open to the public. The types of uses shall be
8		located as generally shown on the PD Layout Plan (Exhibit
9		"C" "2"). The development shall include between 12,000 and 14,000 square feet of commercial uses.
l 0		and 14,000 square feet of commercial uses.
11 12 13 14	3A.	For purposes of this Ordinance, dormitory means a dwelling used,
13	SA.	or intended to be used, for the furnishing of sleeping
14		accommodations for pay to transient or permanent guests and in
15		which more than 2,500 gross square feet is used for such purpose.
16		Meals and housekeeping services may also be provided such guests
17		within the dormitory.
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19	Section 4.	In accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 120129 adopted by the
20	Gainesville City Co	ommission on September 20, 2012, and the application filed by the
21	owner/developer on	October 1, 2012, the development order approved by Ordinance No. 080753
22	was extended for a p	period of two (2) years to expire on May 7, 2014, as provided in Ordinance
23	No. 120129.	
24	Section 5.	Except as expressly modified, amended or changed by this Ordinance,
25	Ordinance No. 080	753 shall remain in full force and effect. In the event of conflict or
26	inconsistency between	een the provisions of Ordinance No. 080753 and this Ordinance, this
27	Ordinance shall gove	ern and prevail.
28	Section 6. It	f any word, phrase, clause, paragraph, section or provision of this ordinance
29	or the application he	ereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional, such

finding shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given

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effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared severable. **Section 6**. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final adoption. PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of December, 2012 Approved as to form and legality ATTEST: KURT M. LANNON NICOLLE M. SHALLEY CLERK OF THE COMMISSION **CITY ATTORNEY** This ordinance passed on first reading this 6th day of December, 2012. This ordinance passed on second reading this 20th day of December, 2012.

II. Planned Development Report

Exhibit "1" to Ordinance No. 120326 (16 pages)

One College Park Planned Development Report

A. Purpose and Intent

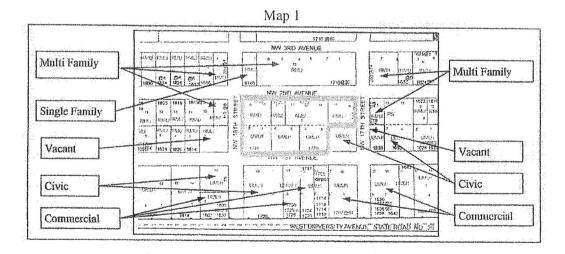
This petition is a request by One College Park, LLC, to change the zoning designation to Planned Development (PD) for a 1.7 acre site currently zoned UMU-1 (75 units per acre) on the south half and RMU (75 units per acre) on the north half. The proposed PD allows redevelopment of the property as a mixed-use development including residential, dormitory, commercial and structured parking.

B. Existing Conditions

The property includes all except lots 1 and 2 of the block bounded by NW 17th Street, NW 18th Street, NW 1st Avenue and NW 2nd Avenue. It is located in the College Park/University Heights Community Redevelopment Area, is in the Enterprise Zone, the Transportation Concurrency Exception Area (TCEA) Zone A and is regulated by the College Park Special Area Plan. (See Maps 2, 3, 4 and 5). The property is owned by the St. Augustine Parish Lands, LLC and currently serves as a parking lot for the Catholic Student Center. The parking lot is one of the few off-street parking facilities in the neighborhood and serves area businesses and churches as well as students attending the University of Florida and people attending University of Florida functions. The parking lot is attended a minimum of 14 hours each day which contributes to the safety of the immediate area.

C. Surrounding Uses

The surrounding property is zoned RMU or UMU-1 and is in use as indicated below:



Surrounding uses are a mix of commercial, civic and residential use. The neighborhood has long been largely rental and serves primarily students of the University of Florida. Most buildings are over 30 years old and many, including the Catholic Student Center are over 50 years old.

Public utilities and facilities in the immediate area are aging and need to be upgraded. New potable water facilities must be extended to the site to provide for new development. Currently, stormwater drains from developed sites to the roadways, sewers and then the creek. Some pooling in the streets occurs following a heavy rain and then drains gradually within hours. New development must meet current stormwater quality and quantity standards and, therefore, all new development on the site reduces the occurrence of flooding and contaminated run off to the creek system.

The parking lot operates on a commercial basis when not in use for services of the Catholic Student Center. The lot holds up to 185 cars and can exchange over two hundred cars in three half hour periods between services on Sundays. Although there is significant traffic in the area, there is generally little delay in exiting the current parking lot due to the extensive gridded street network surrounding the site providing options for parking patrons to reach intersections with traffic signals at the borders of the neighborhood. Normally, parking patrons enter and exit the site from a single point of ingress and egress on NW 1st Avenue. At peak periods, the parking attendants open the north gate to allow cars to exit onto NW 2nd Avenue. The greatest traffic congestion is experienced in the area when semi-tractor trailer trucks making deliveries to nearby businesses load and unload from the middle of NW 1st Avenue. That roadway is 29'5", curb-to-curb and has parking on the north side. This leaves little room and limited visibility for those attempting to access the site or area businesses during peak hours or for church parishioners attending special services during occasionally scheduled during business hours.

D. Development Proposal

The PD proposes commercial uses including retail, hotel and dormitory, as well as residential townhouses and structured parking. The PD Layout Plan provides for a parking structure located at the center of the block behind liner buildings containing hotel or dormitory or both and commercial uses on the south and west, and multi-family residential on the west, north and east. Primary access for the parking structure is at the end of an access lane extending over 100 feet into the center of the block. The PD will authorize hotel use or dormitory use or both with a combined maximum of 170 rooms and a maximum of 14,000 square feet of ground-level commercial fronting NW 1st Avenue. It authorizes a maximum of 56 townhouses along NW 18th Street, 2nd Avenue and NW 17th Street. A maximum of 610 parking spaces is authorized in the parking structure with provision for shared operations, deliveries and solid waste management. The commercial and residential liner buildings are permitted a maximum of 6 stories and up to 78 feet in height at the top horizontal plate (not including roof pitches or architectural features).

Development statistics are as follows:

Total acreag	e of the site	1.73 acres	
Maximum b	uilding coverage expressed as a	88%	
percentage o	f the site area		
Maximum in	npervious ground coverage expressed as	100%	
a percent of	the total site area		
Maximum N	lumber of Residential units	56	
Residential of	lensity allowed by RMU land use	75 d/u/acre	
designation			
	e* gross floor area of principal non		
residential la	and uses include:		
1.		89,782 s.f.	
2.	General Commercial Including		
	Arcades	15,636 s.f.	
3.	Shared Core, Mechanical and		
	Operational Space	17,847 s.f.	
•	m acreage of each use area at ground	Square Feet	Acres
level:			
1.	Multi-Family Residential	22,000 s.f.	.50
2.	Commercial (Hotel and/or	26,000 s.f.	.59
	Dormitory/Retail)		
3.	Structured Parking	21,000 s.f.	.48
4.	Shared Mechanical and Operational		
	Space	1,558	.03
5.	Open Space (Minimum)	5,000	.11

^{*}Exact numbers may vary slightly in final construction design to allow for appropriate function of shared facilities and systems.

E. Consistency with Planned Development Intent

The uses proposed are consistent with those allowed by the current land use and zoning designations. The proposal also meets the intent of the Planned Development District as stated in Sec. 30-2111 as follows:

- It provides for the integration and mutual support of land uses.
- It provides housing within walking distance of the community's main traffic generator, the University of Florida.
- It is within one block of existing transit routes and connects easily with surrounding bicycle routes.
- It supports the cultural advancement of the community by providing needed lodging near the university.
- It extends needed landscaping and sidewalks in areas where they do not now exist.

- It includes design characteristics that focus community life on the public realm through appropriate building mass, architectural style and scale, street level transparency and the provision of goods and services in close association to housing and job opportunities.
- It focuses automotive activity to the interior of the development behind liner building through an access lane.
- For those working or studying at the University, it provides more economical
 housing options than those involving daily automotive transit and parking costs
 and thereby reduces the community's overall dependence on automobile travel
 and fossil fuel.
- It preserves the existing grid of streets in the neighborhood. It respects the relationships of residential to commercial established by the existing land use and zoning configuration.
- It lowers development costs by concentrating multiple uses on a single site for the benefit of shared facilities and utility extension.
- It provides redevelopment of a non-conforming activity and makes the activity conforming by way of design and placement.
- It results in the infill of an underutilized urban site.
- It enhances the streetscape and architectural value of 1st Avenue which, at present, is only faced with the rear of most buildings and activities.

F. Justification of Planned Development Designation

The PD designation is required to facilitate this creative and unique development that is otherwise not possible as proposed due to several zoning and special area plan regulatory standards that inhibit the use of design elements, configuration, building mass and scale necessary to achieve the mixed-use urbanism desired for the site.

1. Shared use of a parking structure by mixed uses from residential and nonresidential zoning categories in the unique circumstances found on this site is not facilitated by the land development code. The code does not permit use of residential streets for access to commercial parking. The PD Layout Plan provides for primary access to the parking structure on NW 18th Street with secondary access for use during peak periods (as occurs today) on NW 2nd Avenue. NW 18th Street is a mixed use street so that the primary access is consistent with the code requirements but NW 2nd Avenue is residentially designated on both sides and presumably a residential street. Although the secondary access will be of more limited and controlled use primarily by church parishioners, it may at times be used to allow on-site residents and commercial patrons to enter or exit from NW 2nd Avenue. Residential and church traffic is allowed to enter and exit from residential streets but the small increment in occasional commercial uses entering and exiting by way of a residential street may only be allowed and properly controlled through adoption of PD regulations.

- 2. The uniformity of building scale to be authorized by the PD cannot be achieved under the existing applicable code provisions. Existing height limitations for the north and south halves of the block are different, only allowing 3.5 stories on the north side and 6 stories by right on the south side. These limitations make it impossible to achieve the community goal of true urban form with mixed-use development supported by parking structures embedded in the block interior, hidden from street view by mixed-uses within liner buildings. For this site to achieve an additional community goal of facilitating the retention of existing urban congregations, it is necessary to provide the required parking in a larger structure than would otherwise be needed for the uses proposed within the PD site. This can only be accomplished through the PD process allowing greater building height on the north side to mask the parking structure from ground level view.
- 3. Given the dimensions of the property it is highly unlikely to reach the density allowed in the RMU district without use of the PD zoning mechanism. The area is targeted for higher density by comprehensive plan policies, yet stormwater retention, onsite circulation, setbacks and parking requirements work to effectively prevent the delivery of the desired higher density with a marketable product. Flexibility through the PD rezoning is needed to deviate from existing scale and setback requirements and allow greater potential to achieve the desired combination of residential density and non-residential uses on this site.
- 4. The scale of the parking structure is not permitted under the existing special area plan provisions or certain parking and access provisions of the land development code. Although parking as an accessory structure is allowed by the special area plan design standards, setbacks required between the residential structure and its parking and between the parking and the rear lot line would make building a multi-level parking structure impossible in this location without use of the PD zoning mechanism.
- 5. Setback requirements between the residential and commercial parking appears to prohibit the approval of a parking structure that spans the zoning line. As a result, there is not enough property on either side of the zoning line to build both the principal uses and a parking structure meeting all setback requirements. To be viable, a parking structure requires sufficient space to allow for both parking and circulation. Without the structured parking, development of the site could not take place.
- 6. Development of the mixed-uses as a unified site eliminates the redundancy of providing separate utilities, operations space and security services. Although adding to the complexity of design, the proposed shared core service space primarily within the parking structure allows efficient energy use, a reduction of on street congestion caused by delivery

- activities and the internal enclosure of waste services. This on-site accommodation of activities is not feasible if required to adhere to all existing code provisions
- 7. Redevelopment of this site for a mix of uses has long been considered essential to the neighborhood. However, the parking as a continued use is required for the survival of the Catholic Student Center and the surrounding businesses. This is a critical issue to the property owner and the development will not proceed if parking is not enhanced by the project. In addition, others who hope to develop in the area have also asked for parking accommodations on the site. Despite the reduction of parking requirements for new development in the neighborhood, developers still make their decision to proceed with a project based in part on the availability of parking. Redevelopment in the area may, thus, be hindered if parking is not provided in the immediate vicinity. New parking must, not only provide for its own parking impact, it must replace or enhance that which already exists. As shown above, existing applicable codes would not allow sufficient parking to replace the existing parking and also provide for the increased demand created by the new development.

For these reasons the parking proposed is greater than the minimum required by the existing code. The amount of parking required has implications for the design and scale of the surrounding buildings. This PD Report and PD Layout plan propose a creative way to provide the required mix and scale of uses in a manner that respects the surrounding neighborhood and even enhances the design and function of the redevelopment district. The site will be constructed to be compatible with existing development and any new development built in accordance with the special area plan provisions.

G. Consistency with Comprehensive Plan

1. Transportation Mobility Element:

In keeping with Policy 1.1.1 of the Transportation Mobility Element, the development site is located in the Transportation Concurrency Exception Area (TCEA), and is excepted from transportation concurrency for roadway level of service standards.

Policy 1.1.3 of the Transportation Mobility Element identifies the area as being located in Zone A, a sub-area of the Transportation Concurrency Exception Area (TCEA). The zone is designated in order to promote redevelopment and infill in the area near the Downtown and the University of Florida. Funding for multi-modal transportation modifications and needs in Zone A are to be provided, to the maximum extent feasible, by the City, Community Redevelopment Agency, federal or state governments, and other outside sources such as grant funds. Transportation modifications, which are required due to traffic safety and/or operating conditions and are unrelated to transportation

concurrency will be verified through the development review process and provided by the developer. The petitioner has provided a traffic study for the purpose of identifying any problem areas. Developer contributions are specifically addressed in Policy 1.1.4. In keeping with these requirements, the One College Park development will provide the following:

- a. Sidewalk connections from the development to planned public sidewalk along the development frontage.
- Cross-access connections for all uses within a shared garage and across and through uses to the surrounding sidewalk and street system.
- c. Conveyance of required easements along the property frontage to the City, as needed, for the construction of public sidewalks, and/or bus shelters.
- d. Closure of existing excessive curb cuts at the development site.
- e. Safe and convenient on-site pedestrian circulation including sidewalks, corridors, elevators, stairways and crosswalks connecting the buildings and parking facilities of the development with each other and with the surrounding sidewalk and street system.

In keeping with policy 1.4.2 of the Transportation Mobility Element, and the regulations of the College Park Special Area Plan and the Traditional City, the PD will include none of the uses listed in Objective 1.4 as typically automobile-oriented developments/uses. In accordance with Policy 1.4.10 of the Transportation Mobility Element, addressing parking garages within the TCEA, development plans provide the following:

- a. Minimal conflict with pedestrian and bicycle travel routes by creating an "avenue" or lane as an entrance feature that separates the garage parking and maneuvering from the sidewalk and by creating pedestrian exits separate from those of the automobile traffic. The plan also provides for covered bicycle and moped parking on the first floor of the garage, separate from the automobile parking;
- b. The provision of parking for residents, employees, and customers eliminating existing on-site surface parking. The parking garage is sized to serve the needs of the proposed and the neighboring developments, including the large congregation of the Catholic Student Center;
- c. The garage is designed to focus its primary entrance on NW18th Street, which serves a mix of uses and ends in a signalized intersection with West University Avenue. It will serve primarily residential and civic use parking; these uses would be allowed access to residential streets. Both entry/exit points are located on streets serving development similar in scope and type as that included in the development. Trip distribution models show most

trips generated by the hotel and retail use to be approaching and leaving by the NW18th Street access.

d. The parking facility will be designed to be completely hidden from all offsite residential views and almost all vantage points. The garage will be surrounded by ground floor retail, office, and residential uses appropriate to the underlying land use and surrounding properties. It will be designed to be below the highest point of surrounding, on-site buildings and where visible at street level, the facade design will be scaled to relate to the surrounding area by providing relief and interest in detail.

The developer will coordinate with Gainesville authorities regarding the implementation of Policy 1.5.3 regarding landscaping of roadway right-of-ways and/or medians within Zone A of the TCEA. The developer may pursue assistance in funding for the installation of landscape projects and is especially interested in City involvement in the coordination and funding of off-site improvements that will enhance the surrounding area.

Policy 1.6.1 of the Transportation Mobility Element states that within the TCEA, parking in excess of the minimum required by the Land Development Code shall not be allowed. The SAP does not anticipate the development of shared parking facilities or the provision of off-site parking in concentrated highly urbanized areas. The requirements for parking are to be set individually for this site in the design standards adopted with the PD.

The PD will further Policy 1.7.1 in that it provides for the redesign of existing roadways to include features to improve multi-modal transportation, sidewalks, enhanced pedestrian crosswalks, pedestrian scale lighting, landscaping of medians and right-of-ways, and traffic calming mechanisms. FDOT Involvement:

2. Cultural Affairs/Hospitality

The provision of hotel space in this location will support the City's efforts described in Policy 1.4.1 Cultural Affairs Element to sponsor cultural events in redevelopment areas in order to foster reinvestment in these communities.

3. Land Use

The proposed PD would further the Land Use Element Goals to improve the quality of life and achieve a superior, sustainable, development pattern by creating choices in housing, offices, retail, and workplaces, and by providing a mix of land uses within walking distance of the City's largest destinations, the University and its sports complex and libraries. It also adheres to design principles which advance timeless traditional principles.

The PD contributes to the implementation of Policy 1.1.1 by integrating housing, shops, work places, with the existing neighborhood and civic facilities surrounding it.

In furtherance of Policy 1.1.2 the PD provides housing, jobs, daily needs and other activities within easy walking distance of each other and other services and employment centers. In support of Policy 1.1.4 the PD enhances the neighborhood's, commercial center and supports the civic, cultural and recreational focus by providing travel accommodations in this location. Although no parks are planned for the site, the development will support the intent of Policy 1.1.5 to provide an ample supply of squares, greens and parks by creating a new destination for travelers and designing plazas and arcades that encourage people to gather in the public realm. Modifications to the abutting public rights of ways will result in a much higher quality public realm, particularly on NW 1st Avenue.

The proposal is designed to protect and promote viable transportation choices (including transit, walking and bicycling, and auto traffic calming) by integrating into a strongly structured neighborhood. The proposed altered design standards remain consistent with Policy 1.2.2 which directs that higher densities are livable. It furthers Policy 1.2.3 by providing mixed-use development. It implements Policy 1,2.5 by creating greater pedestrian circulation over a site that is currently fenced and oriented entirely toward automotive use. The design of the proposed development puts "eyes on the street" with front facade windows and doors per Policy 1.2.6. The redevelopment of this site will provide for the installation of sidewalks that are currently missing from the neighborhoods pedestrian system (Policy 1.2.7). The residential community is to be integrated directly into the fabric of the neighborhood without alteration or barrier of the street network. This responds to the concern expressed in Policy 1.2.8 regarding gated communities and barriers between residential areas that impede positive social and urban development. Further, in support of Policy 1.2.10 and the intent of the College Park Special Area Plan, multiple-family development will be designed to include orientation of the front door to the neighborhood sidewalk and street. The development site will also offer numerous access points for pedestrians and bicyclist (Policy 1.2.9).

The City will further Objective 1.5 to discourage sprawling, low-density dispersal of the urban population by ensuring the opportunity for higher density in the City's core.

Policy 1.5.9 is furthered by the concentration of residential, retail, office, and civic and tourist uses within 1/4 mile of the University and its academic and sports facilities is an effective way to reduce car trips and promote transit, walking, and bicycling.

The site is located in a redevelopment area that has had trouble supporting major redevelopment projects. This project will not only promote compact, vibrant urbanism, it will also improve the condition of a somewhat blighted area, and provide for the redevelopment of a non-conforming and under utilized site (Objective 2.1). The PD allows the City to meet its own goals of:

• Stabilizing areas in need of redevelopment;

- Identifying potential infill and redevelopment sites; and develop a strategy for reuse of these sites;
- By approving altered inappropriate standards, offer public assistance and encourage redevelopment, and
- Encouraging retail and office development to be placed close to the streetside sidewalk. (2.1.1)

Additional Future Land Use Element policies supporting the proposal include:

Policy 2.1.2 which states that the City's Future Land Use Plan should strive to accommodate increases in student enrollment at the University of Florida and the location of students, faculty, and staff in areas designated for multifamily residential development and/or appropriate mixed-use development within 1/2 mile of the University of Florida campus and the medical complex east of campus (rather than at the urban fringe), but outside of single-family neighborhoods.

Policy 2.1.4 which states that the City shall designate an Urban Infill and Redevelopment Area for the purpose of targeting economic development, job creation, housing, transportation, crime prevention, neighborhood revitalization and preservation, and land use incentives in the urban core.

4. Historic Potential

The University Related Thematic District was evaluated for eligibility as a National Register district in 1982 as part of the ERLA Survey. The consultant's findings indicated that the survey area was very large and not coterminous. Cohesion came through "architectural styles and landscapes rather than through contiguous streets". A resurvey was completed in early 1995. It was based on considering all structures built in the 1950's as noncontributing. However, the Department of State has recently determined that it will allow buildings that are 45 years of age or older to be listed on the Florida Site File and, thus, be considered as contributing to a historic district. In the University Related Thematic Area, approximately 40 buildings with Florida Site Files have been demolished since 1982. The College Park area, presently with 19 such buildings, was seen as most likely to be the focus of intensive redevelopment activity.

Housing

The proposed development would greatly contribute to the quality of housing available in the immediate vicinity. It will also involve the extension and replacement of certain public facilities. Such redevelopment is essential to meet the directive of Policy 3.1.2 to rehabilitate publicly owned infrastructure and facilities in older neighborhoods in order to prevent neighborhood decline.

6. Urban Design

The Urban Design Element calls for the City to enhance and maintain urban design standards in place for College Park, and invest in its streetscape and public infrastructure. The proposal involves enhancing the urban design standards to make them more flexible for a unique development proposal on a unique split zoned site. It also involves private investment in public infrastructure. Specifically, Policy 3.6.1 directs the City to improve its existing College Park Special Area Plan so that the Plan is more readable, lends itself more simply to redevelopment, and includes originally omitted standards such as requiring appropriate room for sidewalks and street trees. Policy 3.6.2 states that the City shall recognize the potential of College Park to be a mixed-use, livable neighborhood proximate to the University by maintaining in place a Special Area Plan promoting urbane, mixed-use development. Since the existing standards prevent the redevelopment of this site consistent with certain specific requirements of the Special Area Plan, it is necessary for the City to implement its policy by supplementing the Special Area Plan with PD standards specifically designed for this unique site and the proposed creative response to the plans intent.

Policy 3.6.3 calls for the City to coordinate with the Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency to invest in high-quality pedestrian streetscape in College Park, using the NW 16th Street infrastructure near University Avenue as a general model for sidewalks, key crosswalks, street trees and pedestrian-scaled lighting. The developer will cooperate with the CRA to design compatible streetscape in association with the development.

7. Recreation

The development's impact upon recreational facilities is anticipated to be low. The residential development includes approximately 55 units. The population is anticipated to be primarily students who have access to University recreational facilities and programs. Additionally the development will provide a swimming pool and gymnasium area for its residents.

Public Utilities and Facilities

Per City policy, the development will pay the full cost of stormwater management facilities required by it to maintain the stormwater LOS standards set in the Comprehensive Plan. Given the urbanized nature of the site, stormwater management system will likely employ an underground storage and treatment system. The developer understands the requirements of Policy 1.3.3 that all new water and wastewater service connections pay the fully allocated cost of the treatment facilities required to serve them in the form of plant connection fees, and the cost of distribution or collection facilities unless the service is on a developer-installed system.

9. Concurrency

The applicable concurrency requirements for potable water, solid waste, stormwater management, and wastewater will be assured by a final development order issued subject to the condition that the necessary facilities and services will be in place when the impacts of development occur.

The development of student oriented housing is expected to have very little impact on area schools. However, the development will provide for its impact as determined by School Board standards in effect at the time of development approval.

According to the results of the roadway and intersections capacity analyses performed by Volkert and Associates, Inc., several roadway segments and intersection may function below an acceptable level of service by the program year of 2011. In addition, specific movements at some intersections including those at University Avenue and NW 17th Street and NW1st Avenue and NW17th Street could experience poor operating conditions (i.e., LOS E or F) and thus, require some type of capacity-adding improvement to yield acceptable levels of service, such as adjusting the signal timings or changing the phasing. However, the project driveway at NW 18th Street will operate at an acceptable level of service based on the unsignalized capacity analysis. Since this project lies within a TCEA (Zone A), the subject roadways and intersections are constrained physically and by policy. Options for capacity-adding improvements are therefore limited to adjusting the signal timings or changing the phasing, and intelligent transportation systems. And, because the site is within the TCEA, it is not obligated to demonstrate that an acceptable level of service is maintained or make improvements for the maintenance of that level of service.

10. Conservation

As acknowledged above, the site currently drains without treatment to the street, then to the storm sewer and ultimately to the creek. The City will improve the quality of stormwater entering the creek when the redevelopment meets the adopted water quality standards of the Stormwater Management Element. The improvement of the site will reduce the incidence of street flooding, enhance desirable water quality conditions, and thereby improve existing natural systems. See attached map series regarding environmental features.

×	Design Standards	Reason for Amendment
General	Except as here stated, provisions of the College Park Special Area Plan Design Guidelines and other standards in the land Development Regulations shall apply.	
Automobile Parking	Structured parking shall be provided in the center of the block at the rear of principal structures.	This is necessary language since parking is limited in placement and is not addressed as structured in the existing regulations. It also specifies which area is the rear since the development faces all 4 edges of the block.
Bicycle and Scooter Parking	Bicycle parking will be provided as per the Land Development Regulations and will be located throughout the parking structure and on-site at various locations convenient to the ground floor residential units. Scooter parking spaces will be located on the ground floor of the parking structure and in various other locations throughout the parking structure as approved at development review.	
Driveways	As depicted on the PD Layout Plan, the principal driveway shall be located towards the center of the block along NW 18 th Street. The secondary, controlled access driveway shall be located along NW 2 nd Avenue at least 90 feet from NW 17 th Street.	This section is necessary to specify a driveway will be allowed on the NW 2 nd Avenue face of the development. Existing code might be interpreted to prohibit the access point. A secondary exist is essential for the proper management of traffic and for safety reasons.
Building Use	Building uses shall be consistent with the underlying land use and existing zoning designations of UMU-1, Type I on the South half of the block and RMU on the North half of the block. Residential buildings on the North half of the development shall be consistent with Type II with residential use allowed on all floors. Dormitory use shall be allowed within the same building as the commercial uses which may include eating or drinking places open to the public. Parking shall be shared and shall continue to provide for the needs of surrounding uses including Civic, Commercial and Residential Uses. Parking will be allowed on all levels of the parking structure. Mechanical, operational support and utility uses	Building use is specified here due to the sharing of support facilities and parking across zoning lines and outside of areas designated for those uses or buildings. This section has the effect, in part, of eliminating setbacks from rear lot lines and between buildings and allowing for overlap of shared functions not anticipated by the existing code. This section also eliminates the prohibition of dormitory use within the same building as an eating or drinking place open to the public included in the Code definition of dormitory. The prohibition is not appropriate in this instance where the underlying land use and this PD encourage the mixing of uses.

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	needed to support the entire development will be allowed in any or all structures.	
	Building Heights for principal structures shall be six stories and heights of all structures shall not exceed 78 feet at top	Existing code allows 6 stories on the UMU-1 portion of the site but only 3.5 stories on the RMU portion, creating
	horizontal plate. Pitched roofs and architectural details may	inconsistency of design and leaving the commercial
Building Height	extend above the 78 feet. The highest horizontal surface	activities visible from residential properties off site.
0	level of parking shall not extend higher than 78 feet, and the	Current code also restricts density in a manner inconsistent with the intent for the neighborhood and
	of not less than 4 feet in height. Elements of the parking	prevents the replacement and enhancement of parking
	structure shall not extend above 85 feet.	needed by existing and planned development.
	There is no required separation between the principal	This section removes restrictions created by setbacks and
	structures and the parking structure which is anticipated to	building separations that would prevent the central
Building	be connected to principal structures possibly by way of	placement and sharing of parking. The existing code
Placement	structured walkways, stairwells and elevators. The	would prevent the efficient development of the RMU area
	construction of buildings must be consistent with the Florida	due to the narrow configuration of the land.
	Building Code.	
	Decorative wrought iron type fencing will be installed around	This is a quote of one fencing option contained in the
	the swimming pool/outdoor recreation area. This fencing	existing code. It is here restated to eliminate possible
	may be up to 8 feet in height and must be designed with a	confusion with other existing provisions.
Garden Walls &	base not to exceed 3 feet in height that must be made out of	
Fences	cement, brick, decorative block or stone. The fence design	
	shall be pickets with a minimum of 3 inches between each	
	picket. Decorative pillar ornaments may extend up to 24	
d	inches above the main fence line.	
	Signage shall be allowed in keeping with Type I multiple	This section now contains additional language addressing
	occupancy development for the mixed uses on the south side	the need for identification and safe access to the parking
	of the development and shall be allowed in keeping with Type	structure. The need for efficient traffic flow and the
	Il multiple occupancy development on the North side of the	protection of the surrounding neighborhood from the
Signage	development. In addition, up to 2 ground-mounted signs of	effects of confused drivers is not anticipated by the
	no more than 20 square feet total shall be allowed to provide	existing code. Signage is usually reserved entirely for the
	identification and direction to the parking structure. These	principal uses. To require principal uses to reduce the set
	signs shall be a maximum of 8 feet in height and must be	amount of allowable signage to provide readable direction
	placed a minimum of 10 feet from the property line and	to off-street parking would unfairly restrict notice of

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	outside the vision triangle of the intersection between the	business limiting their success.
	parking access and the street.	
	Building Configurations shall be in keeping with the provisions The graphics associated with accessory structures show	The graphics associated with accessory structures show
	of the College Park Special Area Plan Design Guidelines	them to have pitched roofs and also limit them to the
2017	except that the parking structure is not required to have a	equivalent height of 2 stories in the RMU portion of the
Dunuing	roof. The highest level of the parking structure will be	property. Additionally, specific standards are included
Collinguiation	available for use as parking	here for the treatment of the parking roof as a level; a
		development condition not anticipated by the existing
		code.
Ctroot Trantmont	The type and materials of the street and sidewalk treatments	
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