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TO: Hon. Mayor and Members of
The City Commission

DATE: June 30, 2005

FROM: Barbara Lipscomb
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SUBJECT: City Commission Goals Retreat Follow-up

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CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COMMISSION

As a follow-up to the City Commission Retreat held on June 23, 2005, staff would like to continue the discussion of the following:

1. Annexation Strategy
2. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Potential Funding Sources
3. City Commission Goals

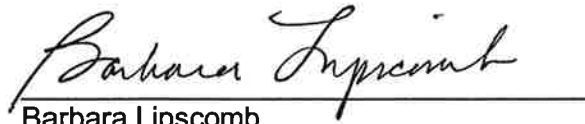
With respect to our Annexation Strategy, a four-tiered approach was presented. Staff would like direction from the City Commission in the form of a confirmation of this strategy and/or alternate suggestions. Upon such direction, staff will bring back amended policies for adoption by the City Commission. Staff will assist the Mayor in initiating the annexation petition on Bear Archery and await any further direction on Kanapaha Gardens.

Currently, the City of Gainesville is significantly undercapitalized. A dedicated funding source has not been identified to fund the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP includes transportation infrastructure, parks and recreation facilities, land acquisition, administrative infrastructure (computer system software, hardware, networks, fiber optics, etc) and city-wide facilities and improvements, etc.. During the Retreat, staff presented potential funding sources for your consideration (see attached). At this time, staff seeks direction with regard to the funding sources the City Commission would consider for further review and implementation, and the annual amount the City Commission is willing to dedicate to funding the CIP. Some of these sources cannot be implemented immediately. We have noted estimated implementation dates on the attachment. In addition, many of these can be implemented on a phased-in approach. This information is being provided so that you can think about the direction you would like the City to proceed and discuss at the Retreat. Be advised that approximately \$10 million will be produced if \$1 million for annual debt service can be provided.

Attached is a summary of the goals you discussed during the Retreat. Please review this compilation to ensure that staff accurately captured the essence of your comments. During this follow-up, we hope that the goals discussion can continue to completion. Many of the goals identified relate to objectives staff performs on a day to day basis. These objectives will remain a priority for years to come. If each of you could identify your top 3-5 strategic initiatives, staff can focus future efforts on implementing these initiatives over the next 3-5 years.

Please feel free to call me should you have any questions or suggestions with respect to the above. I look forward to continuing the discussion of your goals for the future of Gainesville.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Lipscomb". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Barbara Lipscomb
Interim City Manager

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