

LEGISLATIVE #

110076-MOD



INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE: August 4, 2011

TO: Mayor Craig Lowe and Members of the City Commission

VIA: Russ Blackburn, City Manager

FROM: Onelia Lazzari, Principal Planner

SUBJECT: City Commission Agenda Item 110076: Response to Commissioner Chase request related to the proposed environmental petition (parcels greater than 10 and 20 acres)

On August 2, 2011, Commissioner Chase requested a map or multiple maps as appropriate which would indicate all parcels within the city limits that are larger than 10 acres and all parcels that are larger than 20 acres; he indicated that he had previously seen a map that shows parcels greater than 2 acres and 5 acres. This agenda item contains the proposed new regulations to protect natural and archaeological resources.

The following maps are attached at the end of the document:

1. Parcels within city limits greater than or equal to 10 acres with the Strategic Ecosystems boundaries.
2. Parcels within city limits greater than or equal to 20 acres with the Strategic Ecosystems boundaries.

In addition, Planning is providing additional analysis that shows the number of parcels impacted by the proposed regulations under the following scenarios: greater than 2 acres scenario (the staff recommendation in the petition); greater than 5 acres scenario; the number of parcels impacted under the greater than or equal to 10 acres scenario; and greater than or equal to 20 acres.

Total parcels within city limits according to the latest Geographic Information System data: 38,305 parcels.

The table below summarizes the results of the requested analysis. Within the table the Parcels column shows the differences among the types of ownership and the Improved/Unimproved status. This is relevant because several of the potentially impacted parcels are under City of Gainesville, Alachua County, State of Florida, School Board, or federal government ownership and would not reflect an impact on privately owned lands. Information about Improved/Unimproved status of the potentially impacted parcels is provided because improved (developed) parcels are far less likely to contain regulated environmental resources and their redevelopment would probably not be subject to the proposed regulations.

Table 1: Potentially Impacted Parcels by Size, Ownership and Improvement Status

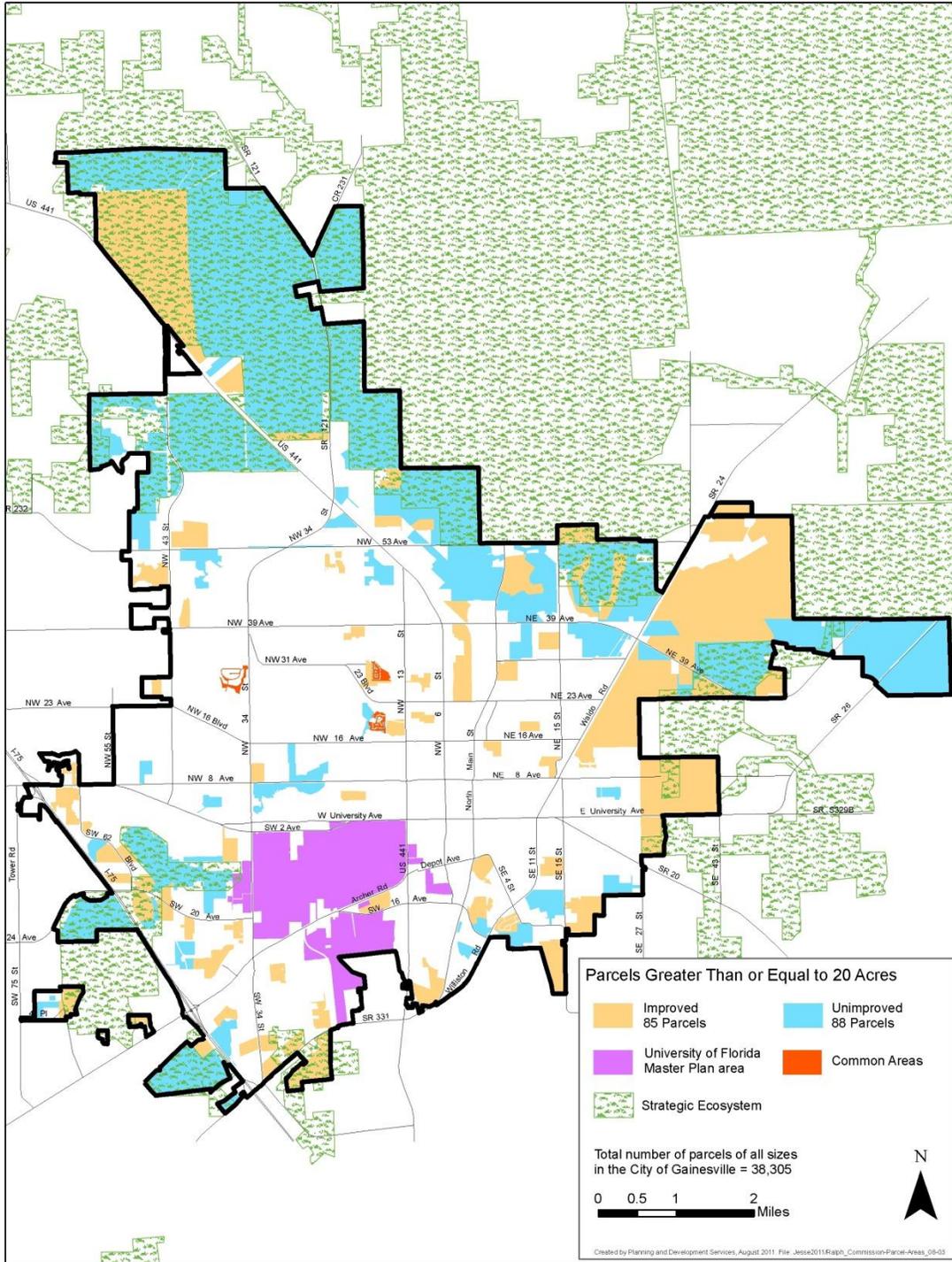
Parcels	> 2acres	> 5 acres	Greater than or equal to 10 acres	Greater than or equal to 20 acres
Total	1,512	692	341	173
Government owned	257	184	102	71
Private	1,255	508	239	102
Unimproved	541	242	88	58
Improved	714	266	151	44

Table 2: Potentially Impacted Parcels by Percentage of Total Parcels

Parcels	> 2acres	> 5 acres	Greater than or equal to 10 acres	Greater than or equal to 20 acres
Total	3.9%	1.8%	0.9%	0.45%
Private	3.3%	1.3%	0.6%	0.3%
Unimproved	1.4%	0.6%	0.22%	0.15%
Improved	1.9%	0.7%	0.4%	0.1%

Summary: Of the privately owned parcels under the various acreage exemption scenarios, the most likely parcels to be impacted are those that are unimproved (representing new development activity). In all of the acreage scenarios, the percentage of unimproved (vacant), privately-owned parcels potentially impacted is less than 2% of the total number of city parcels.

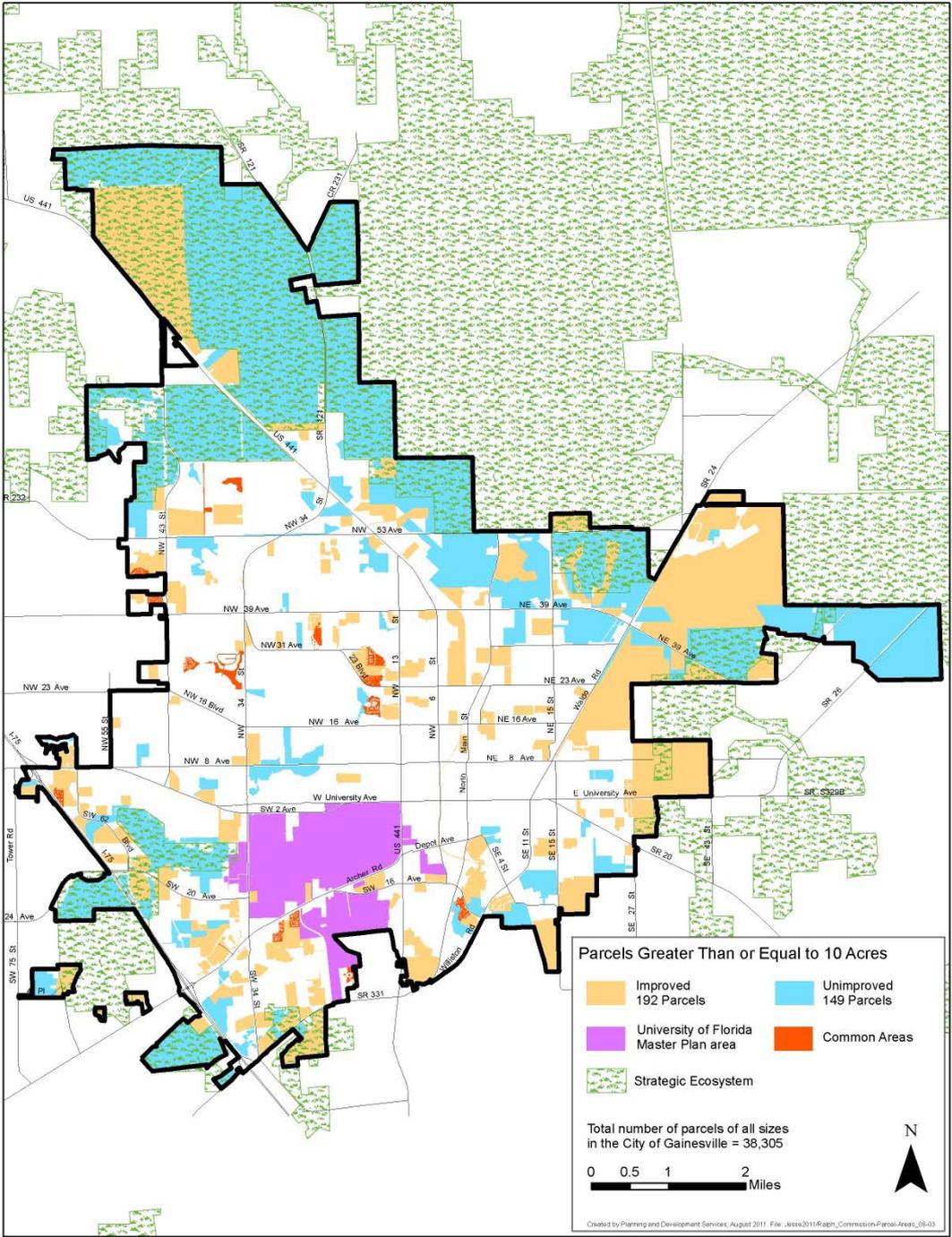
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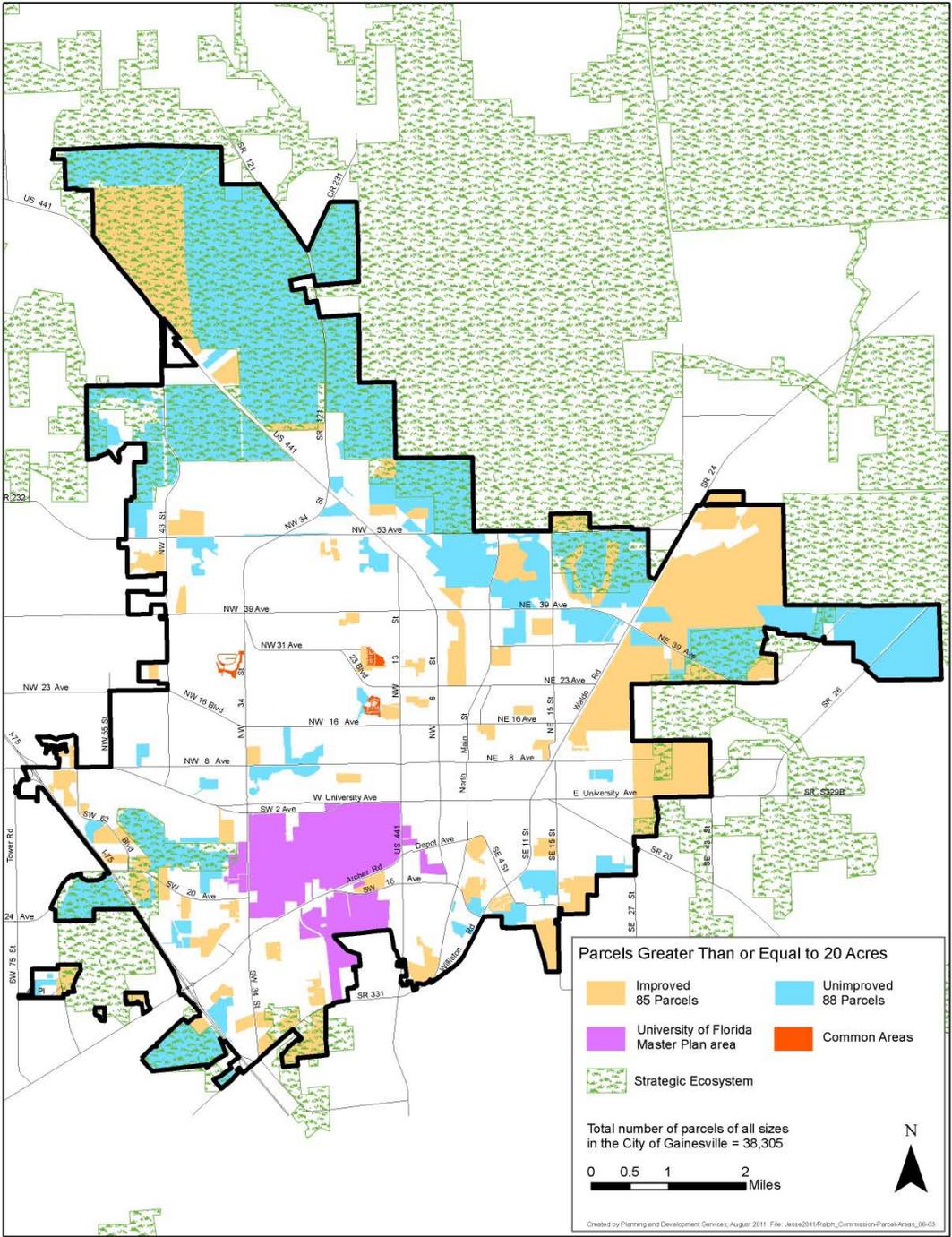




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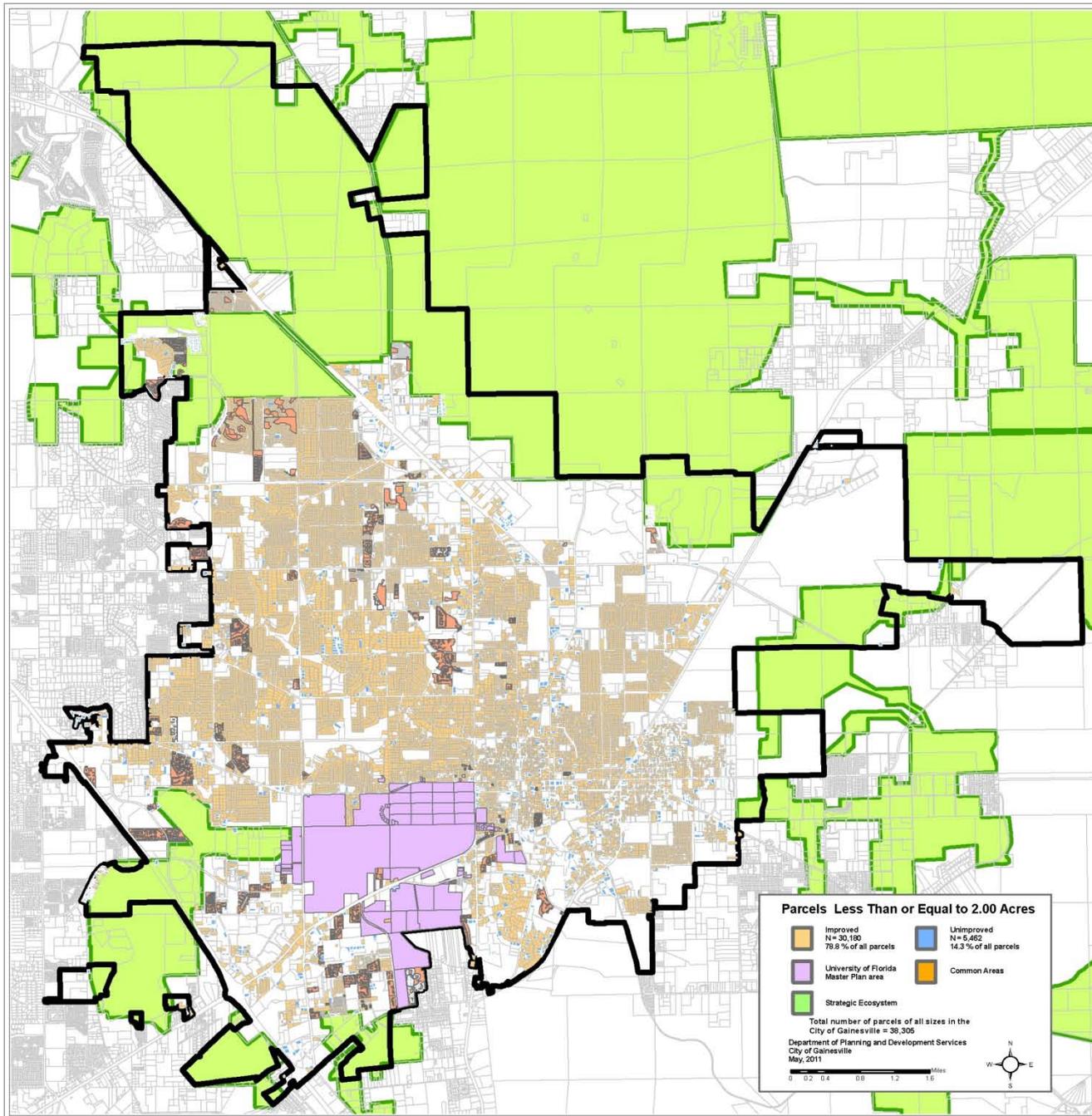


Parcels Greater Than or Equal to 20 Acres

- Improved
85 Parcels
- Unimproved
88 Parcels
- University of Florida
Master Plan area
- Common Areas
- Strategic Ecosystem

Total number of parcels of all sizes
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Percentage of Potentially Impacted Parcels by Acreage & Improved Status

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