# LEGISLATIVE # 110258B MOD

# City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department – Nature Operations Division Priority Land Acquisitions

### Top Priority Parcels:

	Property	Size	Location	Comments	Parcels	Zoning	Cost
1	Johnson/ Demetree	87 acres	E. University Ave.	Swamp, flatwoods, sandhill, and creek directly across from Morningside. <u>Update:</u> Landowner came back to the City to discuss possible negotiations on #10890 only. Sam called back to discuss. Seller wanted to	10890-000-000 10889-000-000	R2/R1b R2	No negotiated terms reached
				discuss terms with his partners. Seller has not called back. No response indicates a negative response; therefore it is assumed the seller is not interested.			
2	Barnes/ Kamlah	62 acres	Adjacent to I-75 (2314 SW 47 <sup>th</sup> St.)	Last remaining unprotected portion of Hogtown Prairie; adjacent to Split Rock Conservation Area. <u>Update:</u> Barnes has development plan in place and County is asking they preserve the wetlands as CON – no need to pursue acquisition, however, City would like pedestrian trail easement along existing trail on parcel 06684. Sam in discussions. Kamlah is being approached by DOT for road expansion project and DOT asked the City not to interfere.	<b>06684-000-000</b> 06684-001-000	Residential R-2A	Discussing pedestrian trail easement on parcel 06684. Kamlah on hold.
3	Burch	40 acres	S. of Newberry Rd. Behind Creekside Mall (3663 SW 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave.)	Hogtown Creek floodplain and important greenway connector; adjacent to Green Acres Park. <u>Update:</u> Sam contacted owner with offer. Counteroffer was made, which was then countered by the City. Owner is still talking to Sam and looking over an option contract, but no terms have been settled upon.	06514-000-000		In negotiations

4	Jurecko	12 acres	1902 NW 45 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Protection of approximately 700 feet of Hogtown Creek and its associated headwater wetlands <u>Update:</u> At an impasse. Landowner wants more money than the appraisal will allow. City/County terminated acquisition MOU. Told landowner if his price comes down	07901-000-000 07902-001-000	RSF-1 RSF-2	Impasse on price
5	Barnes #2	44.5 acres	E of Lake Kana- paha near I-75	then he can come back to us. Upland woods adjacent to Hogtown Prairie; potential access point for Lake Kanapaha and Split Rock Conservation Area. <u>Update:</u> Parcel is under a development plan with the County. Wetlands to be protected as CON – no need for acquisition.	06828-000-000	Ag	No need to acquire
6	Rubric	17 acres	SW 62 <sup>nd</sup> Blvd. near Terwilliger Pond	Connector between existing greenway properties and SW 62 <sup>nd</sup> St.; nice hammock. <u>Update:</u> Sam met with landowner to discuss and ordered an appraisal. Appraisal came back at \$187,000. Landowner was provided appraisal and told we would not go over 10% of that for an offer. Landowner has not responded. No response indicates a negative response; therefore it is assumed the seller is not interested.	06566-000-000	PUD	Impasse on price

# 2nd Priority Parcels:

	Property	Size	Location	Comments	Parcels	Zoning	Cost
7	Hogtown	191+	West of SW 34 <sup>th</sup>	Several undeveloped parcels containing	06745-000-000	Ag	Not for sale
	Creek	acres	St., south of Green	large portions of the Hogtown Creek	06743-005-000	Ag (1.75 ac)	\$25,546.73
	Floodplain		Acres Park	floodplain. Adjacent to Green Acres Park,	06743-004-000	Ag (22.4 ac)	\$179,056.14
	-			UF conservation areas, and the city's	06738-000-000	Ag (15 ac)	\$128,622.84
				Pinkoson property. These parcels join	06724-002-000*	RSF1*	*In negotiations
				Pinkoson, Green Acres, and Sugarfoot	06724-000-000*	Ag, R-3*	*In negotiations
				Prairie conservation areas seamlessly.	06715-001-000	Ag	Not for sale
					06715-000-000	Ag	Not for sale
				Update:	06712-000-000	R3	Not for sale
				Most landowners are not willing to sell.	06695-000-000	Ag	Not for sale
				Three landowners were willing to sell and	06538-031-000	Ag	Not for sale
				closing was completed in December 2011.		-	

8	West of	87 acres	South of NE 39 <sup>th</sup>	Burch properties (*) may be combined with parcel 06514 if seller agrees to the City's terms. Burch in negotiations, but no terms have been settled upon.	08197-020-003	RSF 1	\$426,593.58
	Flatwoods (Florida Title Group)		Ave., abutting the City's Flatwoods Conservation Area	adjacent to the City's Flatwoods Conservation Area. <u>Update:</u> Sale closed on October 10, 2011.			
9	Cone Park Southwest	75 acres	Between SR 26 and SR 20, East of SE 24 <sup>th</sup> St.	Several undeveloped parcels containing the convergence of Lake Forest Creek tributaries; degraded but contains remnant flatwoods. <u>Update:</u> Landowners are willing sellers. Sam is in process of appraisals/contract. Hope to close in summer 2012. Grant submitted to USDA to assist with acquisition.	11243-000-000 11283-000-000 11284-000-000 11286-000-000 11287-000-000 11356-000-000 16073-000-000 16146-000-000	RMF RSF 4 RMF RSF 1 RSF 1 RSF 1 Residential BR	In progress
10	Henderson	23 acres	South side of SW 20 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	Adjacent to Split Rock Conservation Area; contains high quality hammock. Partial of 06677 and 06676, all of 06680-004. <u>Update:</u> Landowner is not willing to sell at this time. He did provide a 12 foot access easement for staff vehicle use and public pedestrian use along the west boundary of the property. This access is completed.	06677-000-000 06676-000-000 06680-004-000	Residential R2A Residential	Not for sale, easement provided for staff vehicular and visitor pedestrian use
11	Crawford	40 acres	N. of Loften School, at end of NE 11 <sup>th</sup> Place	Separated from Morningside by undeveloped SBAC and State lands; contains extensive wetlands and flatwoods, with some sandhill-like uplands. <u>Update:</u> Sale closed on April 16, 2012.	10860-000-000	Residential	\$205,000 total (land + closing)

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Forest Park Additions	16.74 acres	S. of SW 20 <sup>th</sup> Ave, N. of SW 24 <sup>th</sup> Ave, E. of SW 47 <sup>th</sup> St.	Parcels SW of City-owned Forest Park. Contains floodplain and upland mixed forest and has importance as access to park and Greenway trail connection. <u>Update:</u> Many of the parcels are listed for sale. Sam made contact with bank owner. Possibility to split parcels so both owner and City benefit. 1 landowner still on the fence.	06885-001-000 06686-000-000 06687-000-000 06687-003-000 06687-004-000 06687-005-000 06687-006-000 06687-007-000	R-2A	In negotiation
Bivens Arm Additions	5 acres	S boundary of Bivens Arm Nature Park along Williston Rd.	Parcels on SW side of park between parkand right of way. Contains hammock andwetland habitats. Acquisition/conveyancewould create clean line for park boundaryand conserve last remaining upland aroundpark.Update:GRU asked us to wait until the sheetflowtransfer is completed before asking theState for parcel 16257. Sam to makecontact with private landowner of parcel15699-5.	16257-000-000 15699-500-000	CON ?	In negotiation
San Felasco Wetland	27 acres	E. of San Felasco Park along NW 43 <sup>rd</sup> St.	Wetland on east side of powerline easement. Owned by Alachua County.When park was conveyed to City by County, this piece was not included. Conveyance would allow City full management authority over wetland system.Update: County has 2 conditions for conveyance. City can meet 1 of them and the City Commission needs to decide on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> (take over operation of the County side of Forest Park). On hold until decision about Forest Park is made.	06020-003-000	CON	No cost – convey from County to City
29 <sup>th</sup> Road Park Additions	2.25 acres	N. of NW 29 <sup>th</sup> Rd, W. of NW 14 <sup>th</sup> St.	Parcels bordering north boundary of park. Contains threatened slope forest habitat. Acquisition would conserve last remaining undeveloped slope forest around park.	08973-011-000 08975-000-000	RMF6	\$35,000 In negotiation

			<u>Update:</u> Cox signed contract, paperwork is being processed. Burch may combine parcel 08975 with the other parcels, but no terms have been agreed upon.			
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## Possible less-than-fee acquisitions:

Property	Size	Location	Comments	Parcels	Zoning	Cost
Wacahoota	200 acres	SW Williston Rd.	Already owned by City of Gainesville. Contains large area of remnant sandhill and upland pine forest, hammock in excellent condition, and has importance as a wildlife corridor between Paynes Prairie and Kanapaha Prairie.	07341-000-000	Ag	On hold
			<u>Update:</u> Would need to revisit the idea of repaying the Solid Waste Trust Fund in order for PRCA to have property free and clear for any future negotiations. Paul, Steve, and Theresa need to discuss this further.			
Morning- side Buffers	1,236 acres	North and East of Morningside Nature Center	State-owned, undeveloped lands, not currently classified as conservation. Could potentially be protected through inter- governmental agreement; the possibility of acquiring Crawford (#11 above) and exchanging with State for lands adjacent to Morningside should be explored. Update:	10862-000-000 10863-000-000 10885-000-000	Ag Ag	Not for sale
			Land is owned by State of FL Dept of Corrections. They are not willing sellers at this time and said that if/when they decide to surplus the land then it will be listed.			
Hogtown Creek Head- waters Easements (Grant/ Everett)	12.5 acres	NW 19 <sup>th</sup> St. north of 45 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Protection of natural values on these properties adjacent to the FCT-funded Hogtown Creek Headwaters Nature Park would allow better protection of the natural resources in the park. It is recommended that the City pursue conservation easements with the owners.	07900-001-000 07893-000-000	RSF 1 RSF 1	No need for easement
			<u>Update:</u> No need for these easements. Parcels have homes.			

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Newnan's Lake Southwest Corridor	172 ac. 287 ac. 15 ac. 12 ac. 16 ac.	South of Palm Point park	Several large undeveloped parcels potentially connecting the west shore of Newnan's Lake (and Palm Point park) to private conservation land (Santa Fe Land Trust), and in turn to Paynes Prairie.	17942-000-000 17944-000-000 17944-500-000 17944-500-001 17944-050-000	Ag RE-1/A, Resid. Ag Ag Ag	
			Unsure if possible acquisition or if other less-than-fee opportunity can be worked out with landowner(s).			
Serenola Forest	96 acres	South of SW Williston Rd., east of Oak Hammock	One large undeveloped parcel potentially connected to Paynes Prairie through several parcels of active agriculture.	07176-020-000	Planned Development	
			Conservation land may be set-aside by landowner dependant on development plan submittal.			
Blues Creek Ravine Access	48 acres	N. of Millhopper Rd. and West of NW 43 <sup>rd</sup> St.	Owned by University of Florida. ACT and ACF have pursued a lease for access to the Blues Creek Preserve (ACT) through a portion of this property. The State is asking approximately \$120,000 for a 50-year lease.	06005-000-000	Ag	
			Unsure if possible acquisition or if other less-than-fee opportunity can be worked out with landowner.			
Hatchett Creek (Cox&Moor e/Terrapoin te)	460 acres	North of 53 <sup>rd</sup> , west of Monteocha Rd (CR 225), adjacent to City limits	Owned by Mr. Burch's sisters (Cox&Moore) and previous silviculture land (Terrapointe). Well managed land on east side of wellfield and north of Ironwood Golf Course.	07872-016-000 07873-000-000 07872-008-000 07874-001-000	?	
			Need to determine if there is interest from County, ACT, and WMD's in assisting with acquisition and/or management.			

# Additional properties recommended by ACT (Not evaluated by City staff):