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August 28, 2012

Delbert Harvey
Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Public Land Administration
3900 Commonwealth Blvd., MS #130
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

Re:

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL SURPLUS LAND

Section 26, 27, 35 and 36 Township 09 Southern Range 20 East, Alachua County

Dear Mr. Harvey:

On July 26, 2012, the City of Gainesville received notice that the State land referenced above is available for purchase. Based on this information, the City has determined that it is interested in pursuing negotiations for acquisition of the properties. A resolution was approved by the Gainesville City Commission on August 16, 2012, authorizing the City Manager to negotiate the purchase of surplus land from the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida. Attached is a copy of the approved City Commission resolution.

Please let us know if any additional information is needed. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Russ Blackburn City Manager

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Mayor Craig Lowe City Commissioners

Paul Folkers, Assistant City Manager

Fred Murry, Assistant City Manager

Steven R. Phillips, Director, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs

Attachments

RESOLUTION NO. 120250

Passed: August 16, 2012

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida, expressing interest in State Surplus Properties and authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate the Purchase of said Properties from the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida; and providing an immediate effective date.

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("FDEP") intends to sell Surplus State Land south of the Gainesville Airport and north of Morningside Park in Alachua County, Florida ("State Surplus Properties"); and

WHEREAS, on July 26, 2012, the Mayor received notice from FDEP that the City must respond by formal resolution on or before September 3, 2012, in order to be eligible to participate in the sale of the State Surplus Properties; and

WHEREAS, the State Surplus Properties must first be offered to other State agencies and departments, however if no interest is expressed the Properties will then be offered to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is interested in the State Surplus Properties because said Purchase may be in the best interest of the City of Gainesville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Gainesville expresses its interest in the State Surplus Properties.

Section 2. The City Commission authorizes the City Manager to enter into negotiations with the State for the purchase of State Surplus Properties from the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida, and to execute all necessary documents, subject to final approval by the Gainesville City Commission.

Section 3. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

Passed and adopted this 16th of August, 2012.

Craig Lowe, Mayor

City of Gainesville, Florida

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission

Marion J. Radson, City Attorney

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