Appendix A

Comprehensive Plan Goals, Objectives and Policies





Urban Mixed-Use 1 (UMU-1: 8 -75 units per acre; and up to 25 additional units per acre by special use permit)

This category allows a mixture of residential, retail, service and office/research uses. The Urban Mixed-Use districts are distinguished from other mixed-use districts in that they are specifically established to support research and development in the physical, engineering and life sciences in close proximity to the University of Florida main campus. An essential component of the district is orientation of structures to the street and multi-modal character of the area. Retail and office uses located within this district shall be scaled to fit into the character of the area. Residential density shall be limited to 75 units per acre with provisions to add up to 25 additional units per acre by special use permit. Lots that existed on November 13, 1991 and are less than or equal to 0.5 acres in size shall be exempt from minimum density requirements. All new non single-family principal buildings shall have a minimum height of 24 feet. Building height shall be limited to 6 stories. Land development regulations shall set the appropriate densities; the distribution of uses; design criteria; landscaping, and pedestrian/vehicular access.

Urban Mixed-Use 2 (UMU-2: 10 to 100 units per acre; and up to 25 additional units per acre by special use permit)

This category allows a mixture of residential, retail, service and office/ research uses. The Urban Mixed-Use districts are distinguished from other mixed-use districts in that they are specifically established to support research and development in the physical, engineering and life sciences in close proximity to the University of Florida main campus. An essential component of the district is orientation of structures to the street and multi-modal character of the area. Retail and office uses located within this district shall be scaled to fit into the character of the area. Residential density shall be limited to 10 to 100 units per acre with provisions to add up to 25 additional units per acre by special use permit. Lots that existed on November 13, 1991 and that are less than or equal to 0.5 acres in size shall by exempt from minimum density requirements. All new non-single-family principal buildings shall have a minimum height of 24 feet. Building height shall be limited to 6 stories and up to 8 stories by special use permit. Land development regulations shall set the appropriate densities; the distribution of uses; design criteria; landscaping, and pedestrian/vehicular access. Land development regulations shall specify the criteria for the siting of public and private schools, places of religious assembly and community facilities within this category.

*Office

The Office land use category identifies areas appropriate for office and residential uses. This category is intended to identify appropriate areas for professional and service uses, hospital and medical uses, compound and residential uses, and appropriate ancillary uses. Office designations shall be applied to compact office development. Residential uses in office districts shall be designed as new in-town development, mixed-use, live-work, compound use or shall accommodate existing residential development within the district. Densities shall not exceed 20 units per acre. Land development regulations shall determine the appropriate scale of uses; and the specific criteria for the siting of private schools and churches. Intensity will be controlled by adopting land development regulations that establish height limits of 5 stories or less, that require





buildings to face the street, and modest build-to lines, instead of a maximum floor area ratio; however, height may be increased to a maximum of 8 stories by special use permit.

Commercial

The Commercial land use category identifies those areas most appropriate for large scale highway-oriented commercial uses. Land development regulations shall determine the appropriate scale of uses. This category is not appropriate for neighborhood centers. Intensity will be controlled by adopting height limits of 5 stories or less, requiring buildings to face the street, and modest build-to lines instead of a maximum floor area ratio; however, height may be increased to a maximum of 8 stories by special use permit.

Business Industrial

This land use category is primarily intended to identify those areas near the Gainesville Regional Airport appropriate for office, business, commercial and industrial uses. This district is distinguished from other industrial and commercial districts in that it is designed specifically to allow only uses that are compatible with the airport. Intensity will be controlled by adopting land development regulations that establish height limits consistent with the Airport Hazard Zoning Regulations. When not located within an airport zone of influence, this category may be used to designate areas for office, business, commercial and industrial uses, with a maximum height of 5 stories, and a maximum floor area ratio of 4.0. Land development regulation(s) shall specify the type and distribution of uses, design criteria, landscaping, pedestrian and vehicular access.

Industrial

The Industrial land use category identifies those areas appropriate for manufacturing, fabricating, distribution, extraction, who lessling, warehousing, recycling, and other ancillary uses. Other uses may be allowed in this land use category as specified in an adopted ordinance rezoning property to Planned Development District (PD). Land development regulations shall determine the appropriate scale of uses and consider the externalities of such uses. Intensity will be controlled by adopting land development regulations that establish height limits of 5 stories or less.

Education

This category identifies appropriate areas for public and private schools and institutions of higher learning when located outside of neighborhood centers (activity centers). Land development regulations shall address compatibility with surrounding uses and infrastructure needs, except in a special area plan, where there shall be no floor area ratio maximum. The intensity of development on property covered by a special area plan shall be regulated by the Urban Design Standards that include building height, build-to lines, setback requirements and building coverage to determine intensity of use instead of a maximum floor area ratio.