



Memorandum

To: Anthony Lyons, City Manager
From: Commissioner Charles Goston – District 1
Date: 3/28/2017
Re: District One Objectives for 2017

These are the objectives that must be met and achieved in 2017 for the citizens of District One.

1. Complete the enterprise zone conditions to allow me to invite large distribution centers to locate to the east side of Gainesville.
2. Complete the deal with Golden Corral, CVS Pharmacy and The Emergency Medical Center that were presented by the men from Jacksonville and California with a focus on all interested restaurants and businesses that can benefit from locating or relocating to the district.
3. Place a combination fire station and satellite police station on South 20th Street for the protection of Celebration Point and the citizens in that area. It's not my district, but it needs to be done for extreme safety reasons.
4. Improved bus stops and buses on the east and northwest areas before the heat of the summer is here.
5. Improve the lighting of the entire district along with the long awaited paving of SE 4th Street. We have more than enough delays on that project.
6. Financial support for the Reichert House and the objectives that are attempting to be achieved with struggling African American youth. There needs to be paid staff to cook and clean the facility along with additional money to finance activities away from the Reichert House for outside exposure to education and job aspirations.
7. More support must be shown to Chief Jones with the constant attacks by white officers that feel that they don't have to follow or respect his leadership and decisions before I present this as an item to discuss at the City Commission meeting.
8. Create a smoother transition for minority applicants to use the Bo'Diddley plaza and Depot Park that does not exist at this time.
9. Put money in place for the summer swim program at Mickle Pool for the summer with Gainesville and the City of Alachua. Alachua has already pledged their money for their youth by Greg Waitcus of Alachua.
10. Help encourage the new minority businesses with advertisement that provides information on who to call for information and what the City of Gainesville will do to help along with the Chamber of Commerce.

11. I want to have more interaction with Eric Bredfeldt since he is working in the economic development area. We need to meet every two weeks.
12. We need to secure the Publix Market for the east side as soon as possible and announce that.
13. Place photos of all commissioners in all city buildings, especially in the Gainesville Police Department along with a picture of Chief Jones and his staff. This should have been done a year ago. If you cannot do it, authorize Bob Woods to do it.
14. Improve the lighting on 8th Avenue immediately, for safety reasons and as a deterrent to reduce the crime in that area. Also, place a pedestrian crosswalk, same as the one at Duck Pond.
15. Find out and implement the launch of the Senior Citizen Center on the east side with the group from Atlanta, GA.
16. Reserve a space for a movie theater on Waldo Road as soon as possible.
17. Find the funds for a fall recreation and tutoring program for all elementary, middle and high school students. We have teachers; the immediate need is a building.