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January 31, 2019

The Honorable Mayor Lauren Poe
City of Gainesville
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, FL 32627

Dear Mayor Poe:

The County and City of Gainesville both entered into a settlement agreement in October of 2017, which settled several related legal challenges to City annexations and comprehensive plan amendments. The terms of that settlement agreement required the City and the County to approve a mutually agreed upon Joint Planning Agreement (JPA) by July of 2018 with the goal of avoiding similar conflicts in the future. The settlement agreement required joint funding of a mediator to resolve any outstanding issues if a JPA was not approved by the deadline. Currently, we are beyond that date and neither party has yet initiated the mediation process. The County Commission would like inquire as to how the City would like to proceed on this issue.

The County Commission remains interested in coordination of mobility funding, land use and development design standards for annexed properties and would like to avoid future conflicts between the two jurisdictions over these issues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Charles S. Chestnut IV".

Charles S. Chestnut, IV, Chair
Alachua County Commission
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cc: Board of County Commissioners
Michele L. Lieberman, County Manager
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