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Presentation of 2010 Planning Excellence Award (NB)

Planning staff will present the Planning Excellence Award plaque to the City Commission that was received on June 23, 2010. The City of Gainesville was one of five local governments to receive a Planning Excellence Award from the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA) this year. The award was for excellence in Land Use and Transportation Planning related to the City's Transportation Concurrency Exception Area Comprehensive Plan amendment package. The amendment package was adopted by the City Commission in December 2009.

DCA Secretary Tom Pelham presented the award to City Planning staff at an awards luncheon held in Orlando, Florida as part of the Department of Community Affairs 2010 Growth Management Implementation Workshop. In presenting the award, the Department of Community Affairs praised the City's policies that connect land use and transportation strategies to promote and fund mobility in Gainesville.

The award was the result of a team effort with staff input and assistance from the City Attorney's Office, the Public Works Department, and the Regional Transit System.

None.

The City Commission: 1) hear a presentation about the 2010 Planning Excellence Award program; and 2) accept the Planning Excellence Award plaque.