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Amendment to Interlocal Agreement with Alachua County and the Alachua County Housing Authority for Operation of the local Office on Homelessness (B)

This agenda item requests the City Commission to approve the execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement for operation of the local Office on Homelessness to include the one-stop homeless assistance center as a responsibility of the Office on Homelessness.

On October 9, 2006, the City Commission approved a two-year interlocal agreement between the City of Gainesville, Alachua County, and the Alachua County Housing Authority for the operation of a local Office on Homelessness under the direction of the Alachua County Housing Authority. The interlocal agreement provides for services related to implementation of the City of Gainesville-Alachua County 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness to be funded by the City of Gainesville and Alachua County through September 30, 2008.

At the October 30, 2006, joint City/County Commission meeting, both Commissions agreed to authorize the Office on Homelessness to issue a request for proposals (RFP) for case management-centered services at the proposed Gainesville/Alachua County one-stop homeless assistance center; authorize the Gainesville/Alachua County one-stop homeless assistance center to begin operations with a first-year budget of \$175,809, to be funded by the City and County Commissions as approved at the June 20, 2006, joint meeting; and amend the RFP to include provisions so applicants may offer to include additional levels/tiers of services utilizing some or all of the remaining \$183,698.79 grant-match and unallocated implementation budget dollars, subject to the approval of the City and County Commissions.

The City Commission has approved \$87,809 from previously budgeted funds for operation of the one-stop homeless assistance center. Alachua County will provide the balance of funds for a total of \$175,809. In addition, the City Commission has set aside \$43,698.79 from previously budgeted funds, which may be made available for the one-stop homeless assistance center. The balance of funds (up to a total of \$183,698.79) would be provided by Alachua County. The County Commission approved this amendment to the original interlocal agreement at its December 12, 2006 meeting.

The City Commission approve an amendment to the interlocal agreement between the City of Gainesville, Alachua County, and the Alachua County Housing Authority for operation of the Office on Homelessness and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the City, subject to review by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Alternative Recommendation A: The City Commission defer action on the amendment to the interlocal agreement.