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Northwest 5th Avenue Corridor Parcel (NB)

This is a recommendation from the Community Redevelopment Agency that the City Commission authorize the Mayor to write a letter to the Gainesville Housing Authority requesting that parcel #13956 be returned to the City.

At the April CRA meeting, the CRA heard a presentation from Jesse Wiles of Asset Property Disposition, Inc. on a plan for the redevelopment of the Northwest 5th Avenue corridor from Northwest 3rd Street to Northwest 10th Street. The plan looked at potential parking improvements, new commercial infill opportunities, and new residential infill opportunities.

At that meeting the CRA asked staff to research and identify any City-owned parcels along the Northwest 5th Avenue corridor that the City could transfer to the CRA to help speed up the redevelopment efforts. Staff is working on developing a comprehensive inventory of such properties. As an initial step, staff is recommending that the CRA request the City of Gainesville transfer the following parcel to the CRA.

Parcel # 13956: This parcel is a tot lot that is currently owned by the Gainesville Housing Authority. The CRA has previously budgeted \$10,300 to make improvements to the tot lot including playground equipment upgrades and maintenance by Oasis as part of the contract to maintain the Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Redevelopment Area. CRA staff contacted the Gainesville Housing Authority in December on returning the former City-owned parcel in order to make these improvements and has not received a response.

At their July 17, 2006 meeting, the CRA recommended that the City Commission write a letter to the Gainesville Housing Authority asking that the lot be returned to the City so the CRA can make these improvements.

None

CRA to the City Commission: Recommend the City Commission contact the Gainesville Housing Authority to request that Parcel #13956 be returned to the City in order for the CRA to make improvements and provide maintenance of the parcel.