

## City of Gainesville

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## **Legislation Text**

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## **Project Update - Bus Depot Fencing (B)**

CRA staff has been meeting with the Alachua County School Board (SBAC) Facilities Division to discuss plans for moving the bus depot fencing project forward. The project has been a priority for the Eastside Redevelopment Advisory Board and the greater Eastside community for many years.

The new fence will run along Hawthorne Road and SE 18<sup>th</sup> Street for a total of approximately 1,300 +/- linear feet of new fencing and gates. CRA agreed to specify the fencing type and design a masonry column that would be functional for the needs of the property while still carrying out the vision and aesthetic of the Hawthorne Road Corridor.

The CRA and the School Board will be working together under a "Grant Agreement" which defines the roles and responsibilities for each party. The Grant Agreement also includes a Façade Preservation Easement to ensure proper maintenance of the CRA's investment.

CRA staff completed the schematic design and technical specifications for the project to be bid. SBAC was responsible for procurement of construction services, and to that end, they held a pre- bid meeting on May 13, 2013 and a bid opening on May 22, 2013. BBI Construction submitted the lowest bid of \$144,400 and will be constructing the project. A preconstruction meeting will be held on June 5, 2013 and construction should be completed by the end of the summer. In preparation for construction to begin, the City Public Works department trimmed the trees along SE 18<sup>th</sup> Street to increase visibility and make way for construction.

Funding has been budgeted for this project in the Eastside Primary Corridors account W914.

CRA Executive Director to the CRA Board: Authorize the CRA Executive Director to execute the Grant Agreement and Façade Preservation Easement for the School Bus Depot project once approved by the CRA Attorney as to form and legality.