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The Honorable Charles "Chuck" Chestnut IV, Chair Alachua County Board of County Commissioners 12 SE 1st Street, 2nd Floor Gainesville, FL 32601

RE: Alachua Countywide Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan - Coordination, Funding and Steering Committee

Dear Commissioner Chestnut:

At its August 26, 2019 meeting, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area discussed updating its Alachua Countywide Bicycle Master Plan. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization approved a motion for development of an Alachua Countywide Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan to:

- Request coordination among Alachua County, all the municipalities within Alachua County, Florida
  Department of Transportation and the University of Florida;
- Request funding participation from Alachua County in the amount of \$40,000, City of Gainesville in the amount
  of \$40,000 and the University of Florida in the amount of \$20,000 for an estimated \$100,000 budget;
- Appoint an Alachua Countywide Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan Project Steering Committee consisting of the:
  - o Alachua County Manager or designee;
  - o Alachua County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board Vice-Chair;
  - o City of Gainesville Manager or designee;
  - o Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board Chair;
  - o Citizens Advisory Committee Chair;
  - 0 University of Florida President or designee; and
  - o Florida Department of Transportation Liaison;
- Have the Project Steering Committee develop a scope for the development of an Alachua Countywide Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan;
- Contract with a consultant to develop the plan; and
- Include in the plan a focus on bicycle and pedestrian facility gap assessment and prioritization of future bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Scott Koons, Executive Director at 352.955.2200, ext. 101.

Sincerely,

Ken Cornell, Chair

Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization

for the Gainesville Urbanized Area

xc: Jeffrey Hays, Alachua County Transportation Planning Manager Michele Lieberman, Alachua County Manager

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