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Subject: Oct. 15, 2024 Hybrid Public Meeting
Proposed Safety Improvements - University Avenue (State Road 26) from
Waldo Road (State Road 24) to Southeast 31st Street
Gainesville, Alachua County, Florida

Dear Government Partner,

On behalf of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), I invite you to a hybrid public meeting to discuss proposed safety improvements on University Avenue (State Road 26) from Waldo Road (State Road 24) to Southeast 31st Street.

FDOT and the City of Gainesville propose the following improvements:

- Traffic signal adjustments
- Crossing enhancement and addition of new crossings
- Addition of bicycle facilities
- Median modifications
- Sidewalk widening
- Intersection modifications

The hybrid meeting will be held Oct. 15, 2024, at the Gainesville Technology Entrepreneurship Center (GTEC), located at 2153 SE Hawthorne Rd. Ste 101, Gainesville, FL 32641. The meeting will consist of an informal open house from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and a formal presentation and public comment period beginning at 6 p.m. Interested parties may also participate online at nflroads.com/VPH.

Both virtual and in-person participants will be given equal opportunities to ask questions and make oral statements that will become part of the public hearing record. Persons who wish to submit written statements or other exhibits may do so prior to or during the hearing in the comments section at nflroads.com/VPH. Citizens may also submit questions, statements and other exhibits by sending them to Deborah Leistner at (352) 393-8412, by email at leistnerdl@cityofgainesville.org by traditional mail at 5007 NE 39th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32609 or at nflroads.com/VPH. All exhibits or statements postmarked on or before Oct. 26, 2024, will become part of the public hearing record.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Lauren Pinchouck, PIO at (386) 961-7837 or by email at Lauren.Pinchouck@dot.state.fl.us at least seven days prior to the hearing.

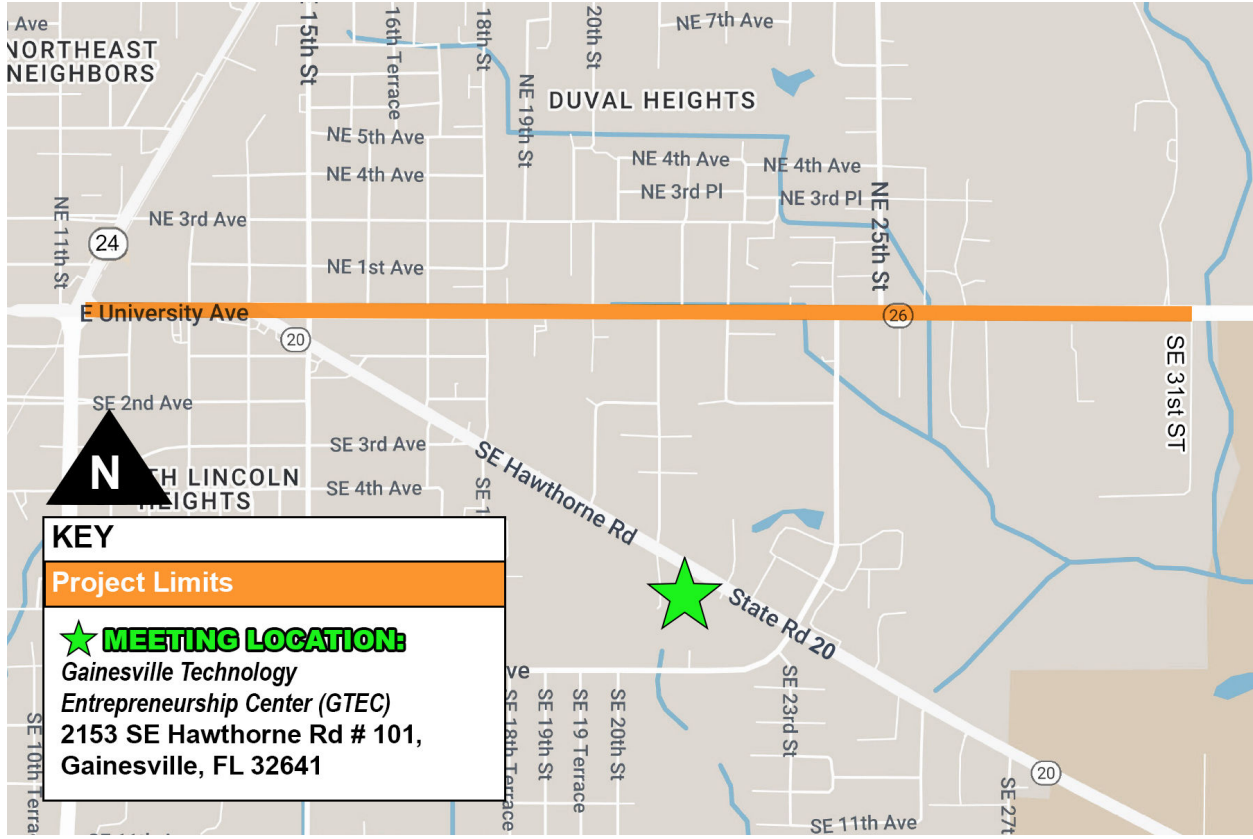
The attached notification is being sent to all property owners within 300 feet of either side of the proposed modifications to solicit their input. Public hearings provide the public with an opportunity to express their views on the project, its potential for impact and other related matters.

If you have comments about the safety improvements along University Avenue (State Road 26) from Waldo Road (State Road 24) to Southeast 31st Street, please contact Deborah Leistner at (352) 393-8412, by email at leistnerdl@cityofgainesville.org or traditional mail at 5007 NE 39th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32609.

Sincerely,

Tracy Hisler-Pace
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PROJECT LIMITS AND MEETING LOCATION



PROPOSED SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

