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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Florida  
 COUNTY: Lake  
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 ENTRY DATE: DEC 27 1974

1. NAME

COMMON: Mote-Morris House  
 AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 1021 N. Main Street  
 CITY OR TOWN: Leesburg CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Fourth  
 STATE: Florida CODE: 012 COUNTY: Lake CODE: 069

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

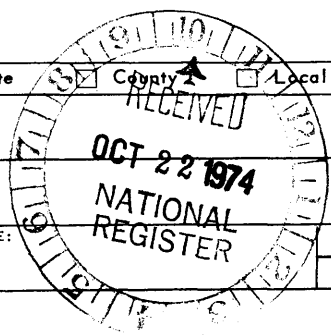
OWNER'S NAME: May J. Morris  
 STREET AND NUMBER: 1021 N. Main Street  
 CITY OR TOWN: Leesburg STATE: Florida CODE: 012

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Lake County Courthouse  
 STREET AND NUMBER:  
 CITY OR TOWN: Tavares STATE: Florida CODE: 012

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: N/A  
 DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
 STREET AND NUMBER:  
 CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:



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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Mote-Morris House, built in 1892, survives as one of only a few of Leesburg's original dwelling houses. Constructed shortly after the city was platted, the house is two stories and of frame construction. In nearly original condition, the house has had only minor changes. Several bathrooms have been added, roof cresting and window shutters removed and the original bracketed porch posts and balustrade have been replaced with short classical columns on piers. In addition, early photos of the house indicate that it was previously painted in the dark colors which predominated during the period, whereas, it is now entirely white.

Constructed at an approximate cost of \$9,000, the house is consistent with styles which predominated in the latter part of the nineteenth century. There is an abundance of exterior ornamentation in the form of turned porch posts, bargeboards, balustrades and crocketing within all gables and continuing around the cornice of the roof. The house is an interesting combination of forms with the slender turret with steep cross-gables flanked by two broad-gabled pavilions. The two-story bay on the east side of the house, the roof of which emerges from the gable above, tends to counterbalance the turret on the west. The distribution of balconies is equal and all have identical balustrades. All windows are double-hung sash with shallow hood molds and the turret windows occur in pairs. The exterior fabric of the turret above the level of the second floor is shingle as is all gable infill. This shingling offers another decorative contrast to the simple lapped siding of the rest of the building. The main entrance is placed at the base of the turret and the main staircase originates in the turret and then turns eastward into the main portion of the house. There is an auxillary interior stair at the rear of the building. The porch, which surrounds the house on two sides, is four bays wide on the front with stairs rising to it on both the east and west ends. Beneath a plain entablature and dentilled cornice are eight plain miniature columns resting on brick piers. The house itself rests on brick piers with lattice in between.

The interior of the house shows a fine attention to detail with tile fireplace surrounds, double doors set into Doric surrounds with transoms above and plaster ceiling ornament in grape and wheat motif.

The house occupies a large well-landscaped corner lot in the midst of downtown Leesburg. The property is surrounded by the original wrought iron fence and all is well maintained and in good condition.

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1892**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

E. H. Mote came to Florida from Washington, D. C., in 1881 and in February of 1889 he purchased the piece of property on which the present Mote-Morris House is located. The house was constructed in 1892 and early photographs of the building indicate that changes to the structure have been minimal. The house still occupies a prominent position on Main Street in downtown Leesburg.

Mote was one of the early promoters and developers of Leesburg. Starting out in the livery business which he sold in 1885, Mote purchased the Lakeview Hotel, which he operated for many years. During this period, he also engaged in a mercantile business in Leesburg. In an effort to bring more business to the city, he constructed the Mote Block, which, when built, was the largest business block in town. It is still a part of Leesburg's commercial district today. Mr. Mote dealt extensively in the citrus business and was instrumental in developing much of the grove property east of Leesburg. He served eight terms as city mayor and one term in the Florida House of Representatives.

Lake County was not created until 1887 and there are very few sites still standing in the county which predate this period. The early history of Leesburg is well recorded in public record and early photographs are abundant. Research has indicated that the Mote-Morris House (Morris being the present owner) is one of only a few pre-1900 houses which has survived in nearly original condition. It is a fine building architecturally, stylistically reflective of turn-of-the-century taste.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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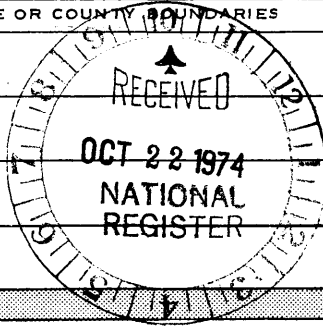
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than one

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
**Diane D. Greer, Historic Sites Specialist**

ORGANIZATION: **Div. of Archives, History & Records Mgt.** DATE: **February, 1974**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**Department of State, The Capitol**

CITY OR TOWN: **Tallahassee** STATE: **Florida** CODE: **012**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name: *Robert Williams*  
**Robert Williams**  
 Title: **State Historic Preservation Officer**

Date: **October 14, 1974**

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

*A. R. Mortensen*  
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: **12/27/74**

ATTEST:  
*W. Smith*  
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: **DEC 26 1974**

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Kennedy, William Thomas, ed. History of Lake County, Florida.  
St. Augustine: The Record Company, 1929. (Contains much  
biographical data on E. H. Mote).

Lake County Courthouse, Tavares, Florida. Office of the Clerk  
of the Circuit Court. Lake County Records. (Subgroup:  
Deed Book 8, p. 78, Mortgage Book 8, p. 191, Mortgage Book  
9, p. 484).

Photographs of the Mote House shortly after construction in the  
private collection of Mrs. Elisabeth Geiger, Leesburg,  
Florida.



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Mote--Morris House

Lake County, FLORIDA

PROPOSED MOVE APPROVAL

Keeper Amy Federman 1/30/96



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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Jim Smith

Secretary of State

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December 7, 1989

Ms. Carol D. Shull  
Chief of Registration  
National Register of Historic Places  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Post Office Box 37127  
Washington, D.C. 20013-7127

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed is a request from the City of Leesburg, Florida to retain the National Register listing of the Mote-Morris House during and after its proposed relocation.

The required documentation is complete, and was reviewed by the Florida National Register Review Board at its scheduled meeting on December 1, 1989 in accordance with 36 CFR 60.14(b). The professional staff of the State Historic Preservation Office concurs with the unanimous recommendation of the Review Board that this request be approved.

Please note that three potential relocation sites were under consideration at the date of preparation of the request. In the meantime, the City of Leesburg has entered into negotiation with the owner of the Clark property for its acquisition of the proposed relocation site. If these negotiations are not successful, the City will pursue acquisition of the Dunstan property or the Miller property as alternatives.

Based on the documentation submitted, on-site consultation by the SHPO staff, and the recommendations of the staff and Review Board, it is my opinion that:

- 1) the relocation of the Mote-Morris House is essential to its preservation,

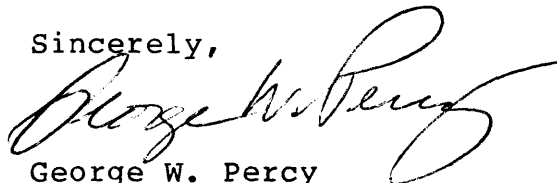
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- 2) the relocation of the building will not impair its historic architectural significance as an outstanding local example of its Victorian period style or its integrity of design, materials and workmanship, and
- 3) either of the three properties described would provide an appropriate location and setting for relocation of the house, and maintain its essential association with the historic development of the community without detriment to other significant cultural resources.

In addition, it appears that relocation of the house to the Clark property offers both the most cost effective alternative for its preservation and the greatest potential for its development as a public facility as well as its interpretation as a significant historic resource.

We look forward to your favorable consideration of this request. Please feel free to contact Bill Thurston of my staff at (904) 487-2333 if you have any questions or need additional documentation.

Sincerely,



George W. Percy  
State Historic Preservation Officer

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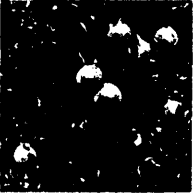
cc: Rex Taylor





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*Carl*



November 7, 1989

Mr. William N. Thurston, Ph.D.  
Historic Preservationist Supervisor  
Bureau of Historic Preservation  
Division of Historical Resources  
R. A. Gray Building  
500 South Bronough Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

RE: National Register of Historic Places Application

Dear Mr. Thurston:

Enclosed please find eleven sets of our application to retain the Mote-Morris House on the National Register of Historic Places during and after its relocation to a new site. Please note that only one set contains the various 5" x 7" black and white photographs of the relocation sites and existing Mote-Morris House, and an aerial photograph of the proposed sites.

I trust this information will be sufficient to begin the review process. However, we would sincerely appreciate an opportunity to correct any deficiencies which may exist in the application.

Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed material, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely yours,

Rex Taylor  
City Manager

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Enclosures

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## I. INTRODUCTION:

### Current Status

The purpose of this application is to request approval to relocate the Mote-Morris House to a new site in Leesburg while retaining its status on the National Register of Historic Places. The relocation of a structure on the National Register is not desirable. However, the Mote-Morris House must be relocated in order to maintain this building for the community. Under the existing circumstances, no other alternative is available to preserve this structure. The Mote-Morris House is the only building on the National Register of Historic Places in Leesburg and has substantial historical and architectural significance. Therefore, it is our aspiration to retain this structure on the National Register at its new location.

Three sites for the relocation are being submitted for consideration. These sites have been chosen with the belief that each will reestablish the historical orientation, immediate setting and general environment of the Mote-Morris House. (Each site will be discussed in depth later in this report.)

The selection of these lots culminate an extensive review process of several potential relocation sites by the Mote-Morris House Preservation Steering Committee. This committee is comprised of various community leaders appointed by the City Commission. The committee was established to formulate recommendations for Commission action and determine the necessary steps in the project.

The intent of this application is to receive approval on at least one site which would allow the Mote-Morris House to retain its status on the National Register of Historic Places during and after the relocation. Ideally, however, approval of all three relocation sites is desired. This will provide alternate locations should unforeseen problems arise with one particular site.

General Information

Name of Property: Mote-Morris House  
Location: 1021 West Main Street  
Leesburg, Florida 34748  
County of Lake

Name of Owner: Morrison United Methodist Church  
1005 West Main Street  
Leesburg, Florida 34748

Date of Construction: 1892

Type of Property: Current - Religious  
Ultimate Proposed Type - Public

Original Use: Residential

Present Use: House - Vacant  
Property - Used for parking by the church

Enclosures: Photos  
Mote-Morris House Interior  
Mote-Morris House Exterior  
Proposed Relocation Sites  
Statement of Project Feasibility  
Documentation of reason for move  
Statement of effect on property  
Plans for proposed relocation sites  
Location map of the proposed relocation  
site  
Aerial photo of proposed relocation sites  
Statement of historical or archeological  
significance of proposed relocation sites  
Letters of intent for future uses

Name and Address of Person Submitting:

Rex Taylor  
City Manager  
City of Leesburg  
P. O. Box 490630  
Leesburg, FL 34749-0630

## History/Significance

The Mote-Morris House survives as one of only a few of Leesburg's original dwelling houses and is the only house currently listed in the National Register of Historic Places. This house was constructed by E. H. Mote at an approximate cost of \$9,000 shortly after the City of Leesburg was platted.

E. H. Mote came to Florida from Washington, D.C. in 1881, and in February of 1889, he purchased the piece of property on which the present Mote-Morris House is located. The house was constructed in 1892 and early photographs of the building indicate that changes to the structure have been minimal.

Mote was one of the early promoters and developers of Leesburg. Mote started in a livery business which he sold in 1885. He then constructed the Lakeview Hotel which he operated for several years. During this period, he also engaged in a mercantile business in Leesburg. In an effort to bring more business to the city, he constructed the Mote Block, which, when built, was the largest business block in the city. It is still a part of Leesburg's commercial district today. Mote also dealt extensively in the citrus business and was instrumental in developing much of the grove property east of Leesburg. He served eight terms as City Mayor and one term in the Florida House of Representatives.

Lake County was not created until 1887, and there are very few sites remaining in the County which represent this early period. The Mote-Morris House is one of only a few pre-1900 houses which has survived in essentially its original condition to reflect the turn-of-the-century architecture.

## Property Description

The Mote-Morris House is consistent with styles which predominated the latter part of the nineteenth century. The house is two stories and of "balloon" frame construction. There is an abundance of exterior ornamentation in the form of turned porch posts, bargeboards, balustrades and crocketing within all gables and continuing around the cornice of the roof. The house is an interesting combination of forms with the slender turret with steep cross-gables flanked by two broad-gabled pavilions. The two-story bay on the east side of the house, the roof of which emerges from the gable above, tends to counterbalance the turret on the west. The distribution of balconies equal and all have identical balustrades. All windows are double-hung sash with shallow hood molds and the turret windows occur in pairs.

The exterior fabric of the turret above the level of the second floor is shingle as is all gable infill. This shingling offers another decorative contrast to the simple lapped siding of the rest of the building. The main entrance is placed at the base of the turret and the main staircase originates in the turret and then turns eastward into the main portion of the house. There is an auxiliary interior stair at the rear of the building. The porch, which surrounds the house on two sides, is four bays wide on the front with stairs rising to it on both the east and west ends. Beneath a plain entablature and dentilled cornice are eight columns resting on piers. The house itself rests on brick piers with lattice in between. The property is surrounded by the original wrought iron fence which is in good condition.

The interior of the house shows a fine attention to detail with tile fireplace surrounds, double doors set into Doric surrounds with transoms above and plaster ceiling ornament in grape and wheat motif.

In nearly original condition, the house has had only minor changes over the years. Several bathrooms have been added, roof cresting and window shutters removed and the original bracketed porch posts and balustrade have been replaced with short classical columns on piers. Early photos of the house also indicate that it was previously painted in the dark colors which predominated during the period, whereas, it is now entirely white.

The house is currently in fair condition. The property is habitable, although vacant. The weathertight integrity of the property is in jeopardy due to prolonged neglect to the roof, exterior paint, and windows. However, the house is structurally sound and is in need of very little interior repair. This is based on the following examination (1):

- 1) Chimneys are true and vertical.
- 2) Porches, with the exception of the rear, east facing porch, are true and level from foundation to second floor.
- 3) Floors throughout the house are sound and level. Although all porch wood has water damage and possible structural rot.
- 4) Ceilings, with the exception of a plumbing area leak, are free of water damage.
- 5) Walls, with the exception of an interior wall in a second floor east bedroom, are not cracked.
- 6) Windows and doors are level and vertically true. The windows could operate if the rope counter weights were connected since they are not broken due to structural pressure. The doors do not bind, with the exception of the second floor east front porch.

## II. REASON FOR MOVE

On August 3, 1988, the Mote-Morris House was acquired by the Morrison United Methodist Church. This purchase followed several unsuccessful attempts to sell the property to private investors. These transactions did not prove economically feasible due to the estimated cost to repair and renovate the structure to meet commercial building codes. The Morrison United Methodist Church acquired the property with one primary objective in mind; to provide additional parking, and expand their education and activity facilities to meet the future growth of the congregation. Following the purchase, it was determined that it would not be practical to incorporate the Mote-Morris House into the future plans of the church. This determination resulted from two factors:

- 1) Functional space. Although the Mote-Morris House is an extremely large structure, the functional space for certain activities is severely limited due to the interior design of the facility. Extensive modifications would be required to enhance the usefulness of the facility and accommodate the various activities of the church.
- 2) Economic factors. As previously stated, this project is cost prohibitive for investors due to the extensive renovations needed to comply with local building codes. Repair and maintenance costs, restoration, and required design modifications would also add a significant amount to the cost of the facility. Simply stated, it is less expensive to build a new facility with more useable area than to restore and utilize the existing structure.

In an effort to save the house, the church offered to give the house to anyone willing to pay for the relocation expenses. Once again, several private investors explored the possibilities of this option. However, this also proved to be economically unfeasible. (Please see project cost estimate/feasibility statement, Exhibit 1.)

The City of Leesburg was first made aware of the pending endangerment to the house when it was offered to the City shortly after the acquisition by the church. After unsuccessfully pursuing a Special Category Grant for the relocation, two offers were made to the church by the City. The first offer was a direct acquisition of the house from the church at the existing location and approximately one-third of the lot. Following the rejection of this offer, a land swap was informally proposed. Under this proposal, land near the church would have been exchanged for the Mote-Morris House at the existing location and a portion of the lot. The City also offered to participate in the construction of a parking

lot for the church on the new property. However, this offer was rejected by the church due to the uncertainty of future space requirements and the ultimate arrangement of their facilities.

We believe that all feasible options to maintain the Mote-Morris House on the existing site have been explored. Since the Mote-Morris House will not be utilized by the church, the house will be destroyed if it is not relocated. (Please see letter from Morrison United Methodist Church documenting the reason for the relocation, Exhibit 2.)

### III. NEW SETTING AND GENERAL ENVIRONMENT OF PROPOSED SITE

#### Description of Proposed Relocation Sites

Three sites for the relocation of the Mote-Morris House are being submitted for consideration. All sites are in close proximity to the original location of the house and in the same basic neighborhood. (Please see location map of proposed sites and aerial photograph, Exhibits 3 and 4 respectively.) We believe each site would retain the aura symbolizing the Mote-Morris House in the past. The following contains the history and a current description of each proposed relocation site.

#### Clark Property

This site is one block west of the Mote-Morris House and one block south of Main Street. It contains 1.64 acres and is heavily wooded with several large oak trees.

This site originally adjoined a piece of property owned by the Clark family on Main Street. The original parcel was dissected with the construction of Magnolia Street. The only structure contained on this site was a small cement factory during the 1960s. This was located in the northwest corner along 12th and Magnolia Streets. No structures currently exist on this site.

#### Dunstan Property

This property is one block west of the existing site of the Mote-Morris House on Main Street. A small board and batten house occupied this site until 1981 at which time it was demolished. This house was probably constructed in the 1890s, although unconfirmed accounts date the construction back to 1868. During the early 1900s, a two-story garage was built as servants quarters, and a stuccoed brick wall was erected along the north and east property lines.



These structures remain as part of the site today. With the exception of these structures and a few large trees scattered around the perimeter of the site, the property is barren. This may be a result of the excavation accompanying the demolition of the house.

#### Miller Property

The Miller property is directly across from the Mote-Morris House. This property is a small tract of land on Main Street measuring 90 by 240 feet. This site originally contained a large "veranda" type house. This house was constructed in approximately 1880, and remained until 1986, at which time it burned.

This property is centered between a former Presbyterian manse constructed in 1889 and a residence also built in the late 1800s. The lot slopes downward from Main Street to the center, then levels off to the rear property line. The front half of the site is relatively clear of trees, while the remaining portion is wooded and scenically attractive. The only structure remaining on the lot is a one story concrete block garage. This structure was built in the 1950s and replaced the carriage house which occupied the same location.

#### Historical or Archeological Significance

The relocation of the Mote-Morris House to any one of the three proposed sites will not impact any significant cultural resources. An archaeological and historical survey was recently performed by Dr. J. Raymond Williams with the Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida. The recovered artifacts were subsequently identified by Professor Roger T. Grange, Jr., a historic archaeologist at the University of South Florida. During this survey, sixteen subsurface tests were performed in an attempt to find evidence of prehistoric or historic occupations on these properties. All three sites produced articles of general household activities indicative of the period between 1930 and 1989. The artifacts were not indicative of historical archaeological sites of special significance eligible for listing on the National Register. No additional field investigations will be required. (Please see Exhibit 5 , An Archaeological and Historical Survey of Three Small Parcels of Land in Leesburg, Florida.)

#### IV. EFFECT ON PROPERTY'S HISTORICAL INTEGRITY

This section will concentrate on two primary issues to determine the effect of the relocation on the historical integrity of the Mote-Morris House. These are:

1. The orientation of the Mote-Morris House to the new site.
2. The effect of the relocation on the architectural and historical character of the building.

##### Orientation to New Site

All relocation sites, as noted in the previous section, are located in close proximity to the existing location of the Mote-Morris House. All sites are located in the same basic neighborhood of the downtown business district. In each scenario, the Mote-Morris House would continue to face Main Street. Tentative site plans have been developed for each relocation site illustrating the possible placement of the house and parking facilities. These plans also indicate the dimension of each lot, elevations, significant vegetation and existing structures. (Please see enclosed plans - Existing location of Mote-Morris House, Exhibit 6, and proposed relocation sites.)

The following discusses the orientation of each relocation site to the original location of the Mote-Morris House individually.

##### Clark Property

This site lies approximately one block west of the Mote-Morris House and one block south of Main Street. Prior to the construction of Magnolia Street, this parcel adjoined property which the Clark family owned on Main Street. Although this site is not on Main Street, the historic orientation to the neighborhood will be maintained due to its proximity to the existing site. This location is also directly across from other structures built in the same time period as the Mote-Morris House. Additionally, based on the tentative site plan for this location (Exhibit 7), the Mote-Morris House would remain highly visible from Main Street. (Note: Although this lot is completely wooded, the site plan does not indicate any trees on the east half. This is simply due to the large amount of trees and the irrelevance of these trees to the placement of the house.)

##### Dunstan Property

This lot is one block west of the Mote-Morris House and is directly on Main Street. It is immediately

north of the previously discussed Clark property. This site would also reestablish the orientation and setting of the Mote-Morris House. The only house to ever exist on this lot was built in 1868 (unconfirmed) and remained until 1981 at which time it was demolished. The stuccoed brick wall surrounding the site and the servants quarters, both constructed in the early 1900s, still remain intact. The adjoining property to the west also contains a house built in the same era as the Mote-Morris House (Exhibit 8).

#### Miller Property

This site is directly across from the Mote-Morris property on the north side of Main Street. The original dwelling was erected in approximately 1880, and remained until destroyed by fire in 1986. This property is centered between a former Presbyterian manse constructed in 1889 and a residence also built in the late 1800s (Exhibit 9).

#### Effect on Architectural and Historical Character

Relocating the Mote-Morris House will have very little effect on its architectural and historical character. This statement is based on the fact that the house may be moved totally intact. The relocation will also include the original wrought iron fence along the north boundary of the property. This will undoubtedly retain all features unique to this structure. However, the chimneys and porches will need to be examined prior to the relocation. (Statement of effect on property, Exhibit 10.)

Chimneys - The chimneys will need to be removed from the roof line in order to safely move the building. In all probability, the remaining portion of the chimneys can be left intact. It should be possible to replace the portions of the chimneys which are ultimately removed with the original brick.

Porches - The Mote-Morris House has four attached porches. Three of the porches are two-story structures on the corners of the house, while one extends across the front of the house on the first floor. All appear to be additions to the original house and certain portions contain extensive water damage. In all probability, the porches will be relocated with the main structure and retained. These porches date back to the earliest memories of the house, therefore, it would be difficult to justify the permanent removal of the porches from the structure. However, there is a remote possibility that they will not be retained with the house, since the porches appear to be additions to the original building, and

contain water damage. If the porches are not retained with the house, we do not believe the architectural integrity of the Mote-Morris House will be jeopardized. Although the porches will, in all likelihood, be retained, these comments simply document areas which may result in alterations to the house as it presently exists.

In the event that portions of the house are removed to facilitate the relocation, all items will be documented through measured drawings so that the items can be restored to their original state. Additionally, as much of the original material will be utilized for the restoration as possible, to further assure that the integrity of the structure is not diminished.

#### V. FUTURE USES OF FACILITY AND SITES

Definite uses for the Mote-Morris House following the restoration have not yet been determined. However, many uses which would fulfill the social needs of the community have been discussed. Several viable uses have also been pursued with organizations which have expressed a serious intent to utilize this facility. Nonetheless, this section outlines potential end uses which are under consideration for the house and associated relocation sites.

Mote-Morris House - The uses foreseen for the house will essentially be the same regardless of the lot chosen for the relocation. However, the facility may be more appealing to organizations or individuals on the larger properties which are more conducive to certain activities and social functions. The ultimate goal is to develop an interior layout which will accommodate as many different activities as possible without compromising the usefulness of the facility for other functions.

The various public and social uses under consideration for the Mote-Morris House are as follows:

Museum - This will primarily consist of a display of historic memorabilia from the Leesburg Heritage Society. The Mote-Morris House will provide a permanent facility for this collection. A portion of this display may be dedicated to the history of the citrus industry. This industry was vital to the overall economic development of Leesburg and surrounding area and needs to be recognized for its contribution to the community. Tentatively, the display would be contained on the first floor of the house to facilitate public access. (Please see letter of intent to utilize this facility by the Leesburg Heritage Society, Exhibit 11.)

Community College Facility - Lake-Sumter Community College has expressed an interest in using the facility for various courses. There is currently no facility in Leesburg being utilized for this purpose by the College. (Letter of intent from Lake-Sumter Community College enclosed, Exhibit 12.) The Lake County School Board has also been contacted regarding the future utilization of the house. We feel this facility would enhance the educational process by providing classrooms for periodic lectures or tours of the house for students in elementary through high school grade levels. However, no firm commitment has been received from the School Board at this time.

Facility for Small Receptions, Catered Dinners and Meetings - The Mote-Morris House will provide an exceptional facility for small events held by individuals and organizations. No facility of this type currently exists in Leesburg. The extent to which the house can be used to accommodate these activities will ultimately depend on the other uses of the facility and interior arrangement.

### Relocation Sites

The relocation sites have been selected based on a number of different factors. The criterion included the potential uses of the property following the relocation and restoration of the Mote-Morris House. The sites which have been submitted were chosen with the intent of providing facilities or attractions to supplement the activities planned for the house, while providing aesthetically pleasing surroundings. The primary use which has been discussed for the relocation site has been the development of a neighborhood park or botanical garden type setting. These facilities should significantly increase the overall usage of the house by enhancing its attractiveness for social events and providing the ability to accommodate different types of functions.

The following is a discussion of each site in relationship to this primary end use.

#### Clark Property

This site is probably the most conducive to the development of a park to accompany the Mote-Morris House. The lot is heavily wooded with large oak trees which produces a very attractive setting. Adequate space is also available to provide parking on the site. This will compliment the available street parking bordering the site for the larger functions held in the house.

### Dunstan Property

This site is large enough to easily accommodate the Mote-Morris House, the development of a park/botanical gardens and also provide on-site parking for people using the facility. Abundant parking is also available on two of the streets adjoining the property. However, this site is essentially barren, with only a few larger trees along the boundaries of the property. This fact may diminish the overall attractiveness of the facility unless landscaped extensively.

### Miller Property

The size of this lot may restrict its usefulness for certain purposes. This site could accommodate the placement of the house with a park facility on the north half of the property. Although not nearly as large as the Clark property, the wooded area of this site could provide an extremely scenic background for the Mote-Morris House. The lack of space would limit the amount of on-site parking. In all likelihood, most parking would occur on Main Street. This factor would limit convenient and available parking. It will also contribute to an already congested area and may create a potentially dangerous situation.

## VI. CLOSING

The purpose of this application is to retain the Mote-Morris House on the National Register of Historic Places during and after the relocation. The relocation is essential to save this structure for the residents of Leesburg. Three sites have been submitted for approval. We believe each site would retain the ambiance to which the Mote-Morris House is accustomed. Upon relocation, ownership will revert to the City of Leesburg. As much of the house will be refurbished to its original state as possible, with the City responsible for the on-going maintenance. Following the relocation and restoration, the house will be used to accommodate various public activities.

This house possesses significant historical and architectural qualities. Since this is the only facility in Leesburg currently listed on the National Register of Historic Places, it is extremely important for the community to retain this status. Therefore, approval of all sites for the relocation of the Mote-Morris House is respectfully requested.

NOTES

- (1) Whitman, Mark R., Architect, Florida Design Professionals, Inc.

REFERENCES

National Register of Historic Places Inventory - Nomination Form (#10-300), Diane D. Greer, Historic Sites Specialist, Division of Archives, History & Records Management, February 1974.

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EXHIBIT 1



18 October 1989

Mr. Jim Bursick  
City of Leesburg  
P.O. Box 490630  
Leesburg, Florida  
34749

Florida  
Design  
Professionals,  
Inc.

Reference: Mott-Morris House

Dear Jim,

As an architect and preservationist I have long admired the Mott Morris House for its architectural detail and character. Therefore, when the house became available on condition it be relocated; I made an economic evaluation of the relocation and restoration costs for my use as an architectural office. I attached a brief of my findings.

My budget was developed from photographs and estimated areas and should not become the planned budget for the current Community effort. Actual costs involved may be greater as the site selected may require more foundation work. Restoration, from measured drawings, may be greater than I have identified from my walk through of the house. Conditions uncovered during reconstruction /restoration may require additional funds. The planned use of the house may require different mechanical and electrical systems.

Our firm chose not to pursue the project for the following reasons.

1. My known restoration costs for my planned reuse of the house.
2. The financial risks inherent in a significant restoration project. 2a. Time required to locate financing. 2b. Probable but unknown cost escalations during reconstruction. 2c. Time required to get subcontractors scheduled and work properly done as a negative income factor in my own business.
3. The net usable space which would function for my offices for the dollar investment.
4. My desire and the need to comply as a business, and especially as an architectural and engineering firm, to the current building codes. (Handicap accessibility for 1990 at 100% accessibility; Fire Code compliance; Florida Energy Code.)
4. The available lease space in the area at lower rates. (Should we wish to relocate our offices in the future.)
5. Annual expenses for insurance. (Liability, Fire, Theft.)
6. Maintenance and Operations of the structure.

In view of the above mentioned factors and the attached information; it is my opinion that a small business would be unable to implement this project.

Sincerely yours,



Mark R. Whitman  
President

attachment

Architecture  
Engineering  
Interiors  
Planning  
Construction Management

5110 West Highway 40  
Ocala, FL 32675  
904-854-3300  
Lake County  
904-728-1100

9421 S. Orange Blossom Trail  
Suite 19  
Orlando, FL 32821  
407-826-0705

Mott Morris House  
For Architectural/Engineering Office

Site Purchase.....	130,000.00
Site Engineering Testing .....	1,100.00
New Site Preparation, Foundation, Paving, WRA.....	22,000.00
New Service and Utilities.....	3,000.00
Repair and replacement of property fencing.....	3,500.00
Permits, Impact Fees, Planning and Zoning Application.....	3,000.00
Architecture, Engineering, Interiors at 15%.....	
Bank Loan Fees/ Construction and Permanent Financing.....	7,500.00
Interest on Construction Loan .....	3,000.00
House Relocation.....	50,000.00
Clean up current site, Remove foundation.....	4,500.00
New site sprinkler system, landscaping.....	12,000.00
Reroof.....	17,000.00
Rotted timber replacement/ fascia detail replacement.....	4,500.00
New Porch floors.....	8,500.00
Dispose of Hazardous Waste/ Shingles.....	3,500.00
Exterior repair/repaint.....	15,000.00
Electrical/ Telephone/ Security Wiring, Lighting Int/ Ext...	26,000.00
Air conditioning, Heating, Ducting.....	15,000.00
Insulation.....	5,500.00
Toilet Rooms/ Plumbing.....	10,500.00
Interior Walls/ Repair/ Tile/ Flooring.....	11,000.00
Kitchen/ Appliances/ Cabinets.....	9,500.00
Phone system / Security system .....	4,500.00
Fire Stair.....	3,500.00
Plaster repair, Interior painting, Wallpaper .....	8,500.00
Window repair, thermal coating on glass.....	7,500.00
Window blinds.....	3,000.00
Elevator and masonry enclosure (or not use second floor)...	37,000.00
Handicap access ramp, new steps.....	3,500.00
Interior furnishings for lobby, reception.....	12,000.00
Contingency Funds.....	15,000.00
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Total.....	\$460,100.00

Investment \$460,100/5500 Square feet = \$83.65 per square foot.  
 Building \$330,100/5500 Square feet = \$60.02 per square foot.

.PITI with equity investment of \$50,000 @ 10% / 30 years.	\$5200.00
monthly	
.Building/ Lawn Maintenance estimated at 4500.00 annually	375.00
monthly	
.Utilities at	325.00
monthly.	
.Cost per month	\$5900.00

Effective rent rate \$12.87 per square foot.

EXHIBIT 2

Morrison United Methodist Church

1005 W. Main Street

(904) 787-3786

Leesburg, Florida 32748

October 10, 1989

Ms. Lauren Stokes  
Mote-Morris House Steering Committee  
Leesburg, FL

Dear Ms. Stokes:

On August 3, 1988, Morrison United Methodist Church purchased the Mote-Morris property from Mr. & Mrs. Robert J. Morris. This purchase was approved by our Morrison Church Charge Conference on July 13, 1988. The resolution of approval stated in part:

"Morrison United Methodist Church is a growing church with expectations for even greater future growth. This expected growth shall require additional parking space and additional educational and activities facilities."

On September 14, 1988, after the purchase was consummated, the Administrative Board of Morrison United Methodist Church passed a motion which stated:

- "1. The house should be moved as soon as possible."
- "2. It is our wish that the house be preserved and restored at another site."
- "3. The City of Leesburg should have first claim on the house for public use."

As the property was purchased in order that we may have land for the future expansion of our facilities and additional parking, the Mote-Morris house must be moved or removed to clear the property for its intended use. Our hope is that the house can be moved to a new site, restored and made available for public use.

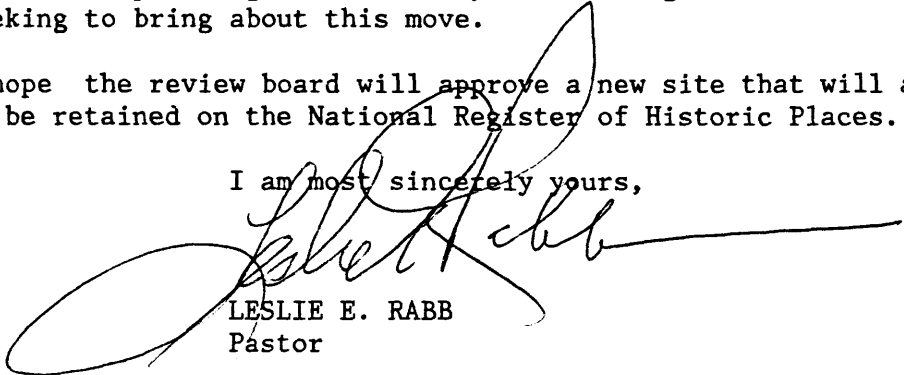
However, if the City of Leesburg or other groups or individuals will not or cannot move the house from its present site, the church will find it necessary to demolish the house and clear the property for its expansion needs.

October 10, 1989  
Ms. Lauren Stokes  
Page 2

This we are reluctant to do because of the beauty and age of this fine house. Therefore, we are cooperating with the City of Leesburg and the Steering Committee seeking to bring about this move.

I sincerely hope the review board will approve a new site that will allow the house to be retained on the National Register of Historic Places.

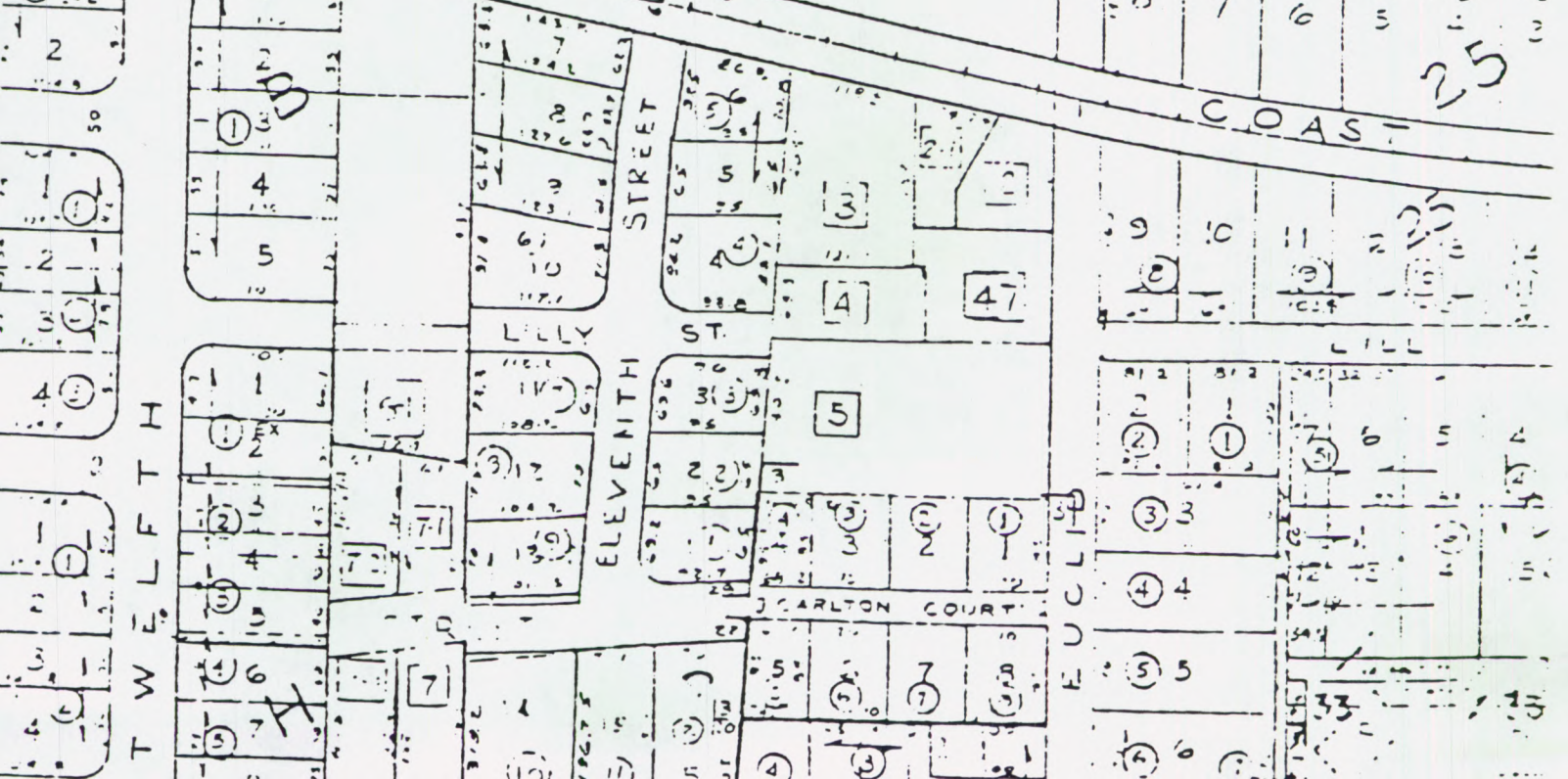
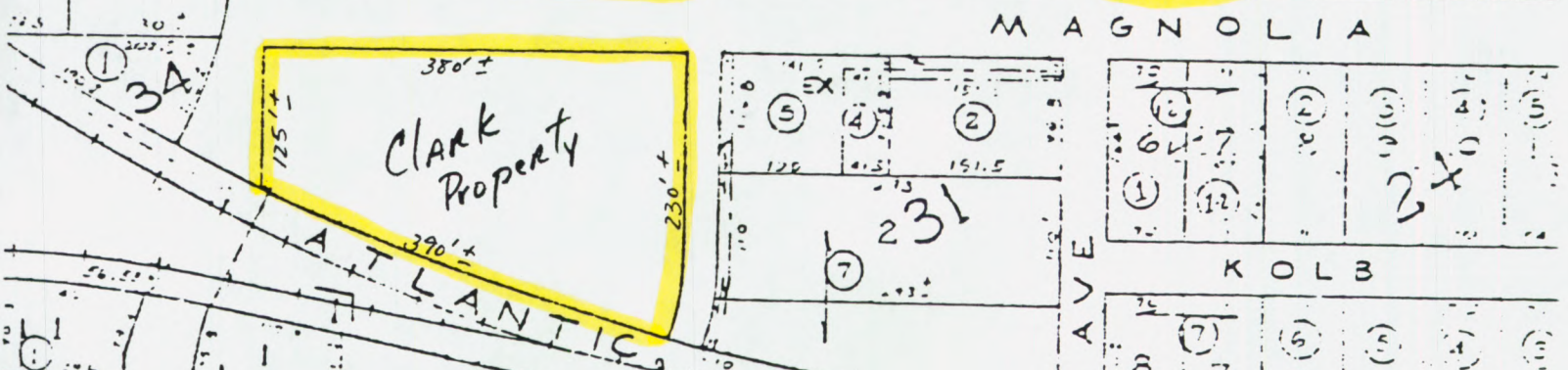
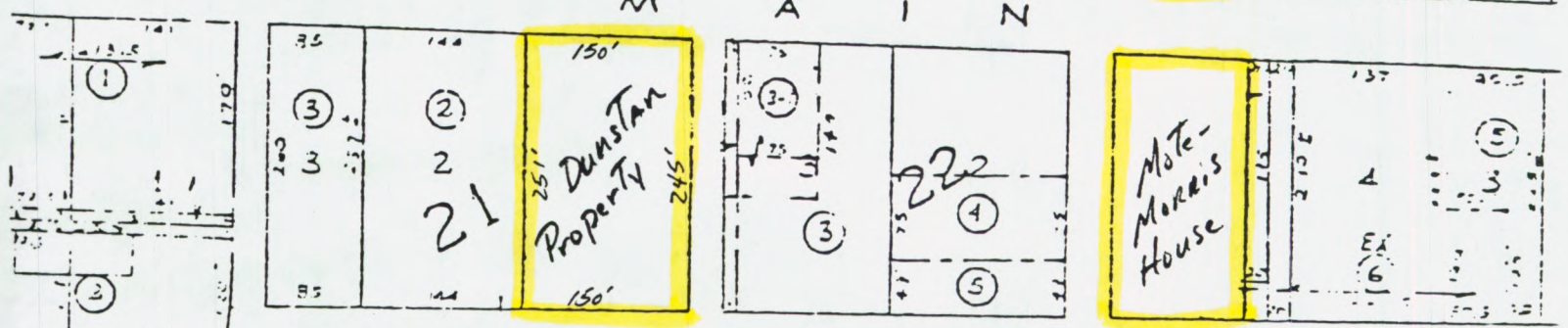
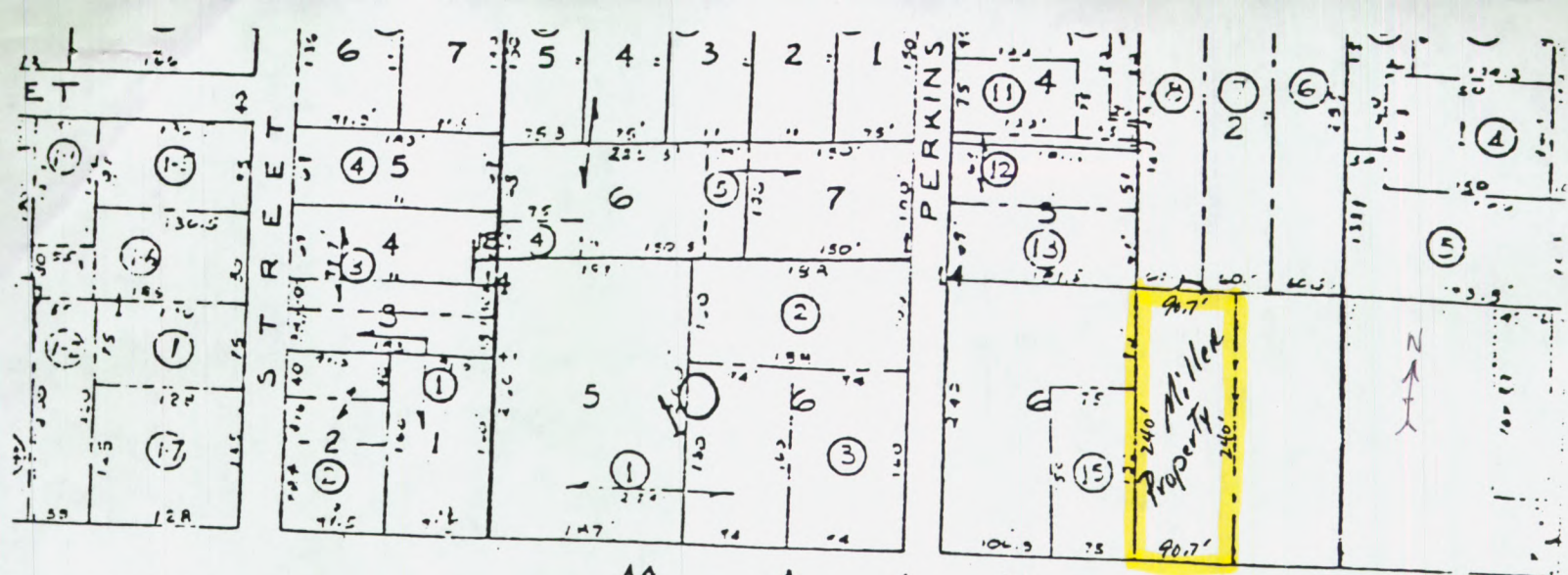
I am most sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leslie E. Rabb', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

LESLIE E. RABB  
Pastor

LER:dee

EXHIBIT 3



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EXHIBIT 5



October 27, 1989

Mr. James Bursick  
City of Leesburg  
P.O. Box 490630  
Leesburg, Fl. 34749

Re: An Archaeological and Historical Survey of Three Small  
Parcels of Land in Leesburg, Florida.

Application No. 895-0835-C

Dear Mr. Bursick:

The following letter-report details archaeological field investigations of three small parcels of land in Leesburg, Florida.

One of the three lots will be chosen as a new location for the 1897 Mote/Morris house, currently located at 1021 West Main Street in Leesburg. This house is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Morrison Methodist Church currently owns the house and intended to tear it down in order to build a parking lot. Public outcry encouraged the formation of Morris Preservation Group, which, along with the city of Leesburg, have developed plans to move and restore the house. The city will fund the moving of the structure, while Morris Preservation Group will seek funds for the purchase of the lot and restoration of the structure.

The purpose of the archaeological investigation was to see if any significant historic or prehistoric artifacts, features, or sites would be impacted at any of the three possible site locations, should the Mote/Morris house be moved to that lot.

Fieldwork was completed on October 21, 1989 by the authors and Lee Hutchinson-Neff.

The historic period artifacts recovered in the test pits were identified by Professor Roger T. Grange, Jr. an historic archaeologist at the Univeristy of South Florida in Tampa.

#### MILLER PROPERTY (8-LA-110)

The Miller property measures 90 by 240 feet, and is located at 1008 West Main Street in Leesburg(see attached maps). A large frame vernacular "veranda" house with intersecting gables was built on the property around 1880, and existed until February of 1986, when it burned. The structure was recorded in the Florida Master Site File in June of 1974 and given the number 8-La-110.

It is not certain who built the house, but the property has been owned by the Miller family since 1912. Mr. Charles Miller of Leesburg currently owns the property. Today, the only standing structure is a concrete block garage, built in the 1950s, to replace the earlier carriage house. This garage is situated at the same location as the carriage house.

Six test pits were dug on the property. Four were dug near the four corners, outside the area where the house walls and support structure would have been. Mr. Miller told us where he thought the cistern might be, and two tests were placed in that vicinity with no positive results. The last two tests were dug in the back yard in an attempt to find trash pits. No features were found in any of the tests.

As the standing structure no longer exists, a Florida Master Site File form for an archeological site has been filled out, and is attached to this report as an appendix. The same site number is used.

The materials recovered from the Miller property are mostly modern. Although there are two machine cut nails (pre- 1890), most of the nails are recent iron wire nail types. There is considerable plastic debris, typical of the last 30 years or so. The most tightly dateable object is a 1983 U.S. one cent coin.

SITE	TEST NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY
Miller	2	flat glass	1
Miller	2	wire nail	1
Miller	2	brick fragment	1
Miller	2	plaster fragments	13
Miller	2	iron sheet, folded with 4 iron nails in place	1
Miller	3	fork marked "W.A. Rogers, silver nickle R"	1
Miller	3	plastic plate fragment, white	1
Miller	3	drinking glass fragments	3
Miller	3	window glass fragments	2
Miller	3	charcoal fragments	3
Miller	3	brick fragment	1
Miller	3	plaster fragments	7
Miller	3	mortar fragments	9
Miller	4	asphalt paving fragments	6
Miller	4	canning jar lid	1
Miller	4	chicken wire	1
Miller	4	plastic garden hose fragment	1
Miller	4	wire nail	1
Miller	4	plastic packing fragment	1
Miller	4	can lid fragments	2
Miller	4	machine cut nail	1
Miller	4	charred wood fragments	8
Miller	4	charred stone fragment	1

Miller	4	plaster fragment	1
Miller	4	sandy mortar/plaster fragments	15
Miller	4	brick fragments	2
Miller	4	wire nail	1
Miller	4	auto tire valve cap	1
Miller	4	bone fragment	1
Miller	4	moulded glass plate fragments	3
Miller	4	ceramic/porcelain fragment	1
Miller	4	bottle glass fragments, clear	10
Miller	4	red plastic auto tail light fragment	1
Miller	4	window glass fragments	12
Miller	4	bottle glass fragment, brown	1
Miller	4	U.S. one cent coin (1983)	1
Miller	4	fence wire staple	1

#### DUNSTAN PROPERTY (8-LA-454)

The Dunstan property is a small tract of land measuring 145 by 250 feet (0.86 acres) in size, located at 1109 West Main Street in Leesburg (see attached maps). A two bedroom board and batten structure once stood on the property. The present owner, Mr. William Dunstan had it torn down in 1981. In the 1920s, a two story garage was built to house servants upstairs, and a stuccoed brick wall was constructed along the east and north (front) perimeters of the property. The garage and a recent metal addition still stands. The date of construction of the house is unknown, although it was probably in the 1890s.

Six test pits were dug on this property, outside the walls of the house. One test located a disturbed area extending to a depth of 98 cm. Two other tests were dug within one meter, and indicated a similar disturbance. Stuccoed brick was found at the bottom of these tests which Mr. Dunstan, who visited the property while we were there, thought might have been part of a one room basement that was dug out and removed when the house was torn down. These were the only tests that indicated any sign of features.

Bottle collectors dug in the back yard of the property after the house was removed, and recovered several bottles. Mr. Dunstan thought the trash pits for the residence might be in the area around and under the garage.

A Florida Master Site File form for an archeological site has been completed, and is attached to this report as an appendix.

The materials recovered at the Dunstan property reflect general household activities. No tightly datable artifacts were recovered. The blue glazed ironstone ceramic sherd might date to the 1930s, but could be found in use today. The asbestos shingle fragments indicate the house was covered with shingles; a common re-siding material used in the 1940s and 1950s or possibly later. The plastic fragments indicate a similar post-World War II date.

SITE	TEST NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY
Dunstan	1	mortar	1
Dunstan	1	brick fragments	2
Dunstan	1	flower pot	1
Dunstan	1	asbestos shingles	5
Dunstan	2	brick fragments	7
Dunstan	2	machine cut nail	1
Dunstan	2	machine screw	1
Dunstan	2	steel bolt	1
Dunstan	2	glazed brick fragments	2
Dunstan	2	iron fragments	2
Dunstan	4	mortar fragment	1
Dunstan	5	concrete fragment	1
Dunstan	5	asbestos shingle fragments	2
Dunstan	5	flower pot fragment	1
Dunstan	5	window glass fragment	1
Dunstan	5	iron fragments	2
Dunstan	5	ceramic; blue glazed ironstone: fiesta ware?	1
Dunstan	6	mortar	1
Dunstan	6	brick fragments	5
Dunstan	6	iron lock washers	2
Dunstan	6	stone w/ mortar	1
Dunstan	6	floor tile fragments	3
Dunstan	6	wire nail	1
Dunstan	6	plastic	1
Dunstan	6	white glass	1

#### CLARK PROPERTY

The Clark property consists of 1.64 acres bounded by Magnolia Street to the north, 11th Street to the east, 12th Street to the west, and a sand road to the south. The sand road follows a once extant railroad track (see attached maps). The lot measures 380 by 230 by 390 by 125 feet.

No historic dwellings have ever existed on the property, and it has no known historic use other than a small cement factory which was located at the corner of 12th and Magnolia Streets during the 1960s. It is currently heavily wooded, and has been used as an area to discard trash. Pedestrian paths created by neighborhood residents run throughout the property.

Four test pits were dug approximately 30 meters from the four property boundaries in an attempt to find evidence of prehistoric or historic occupations. Nothing was found in any of these tests with the exception of recent historic trash.

General household debris was found at the Clark site. These include a bottle sherd marked "FEDER.. ... FOR.... ... OR ..." It probably read "Federal Law Forbids Refilling or Resale." Federal prohibition dates after 1900; the probable phrasing of this mark is typical of disposal bottles of the 1960s and later.

The "Royal Palm" beverage bottle is a complete specimen and can be dated from the markers mark by reference to Toulouse, Bottle Makers and Their Marks if confirmation is needed. Research would doubtless also identify the period of manufacture of the Royal Palm beverage. The bottle most likely dates to 1959. Similarly, the plastics are recent materials.

SITE	TEST NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY
Clark	1	iron wire fragments	3
Clark	1	concrete fragments	3
Clark	1	window glass fragment	1
Clark	1	bottle glass fragment	1
Clark	1	white glass screw top	1
Clark	1	lid: 12-2 embossed mark	1
Clark	1	plastic button, 4 hole	1
Clark	2	concrete fragment, flat	1
Clark	2	bottle glass fragment, clear	2
Clark	2	window glass fragment	1
Clark	2	bottle glass fragments, brown	19
Clark	2	bottle glass fragment, green FEDER... FOR...OR embossed marking	1
Clark	3	bottle glass fragments, clear	5
Clark	3	mortar fragments	1
Clark	3	charred wood fragments	4
Clark	3	bottle glass fragment, green	1
Clark	3	plastic tube	1
Clark	4	bottle: Royal Palm Coca Cola Bottling Co. Trenton, Florida 3 I 59, C-20015 Durglas 2	1

**SUMMARY**

Sixteen subsurface test units were dug in an attempt to find any evidence of prehistoric or historic occupations or utilization of the three properties. All three sites produced assemblages indicative of occupations between 1930 and 1989. The materials are those of general household activities. The artifactual evidence is not indicative of historical archaeological sites of special significance eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. No subsurface features were found which would require additional field investigation.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

No prehistoric artifacts were recovered. The integrity of the Miller site has been destroyed by its burning, and subsequent mechanical activity. The integrity of the Dunstan property has been destroyed as well, by the mechanical activities associated with tearing down the structure and removing the basement. However, information on the location and histories of destroyed sites is important, and Florida Master Site File forms have been prepared for these properties as archaeological sites.

It is the authors' recommendation that the moving of the Mote/Morris house to any of the three properties may proceed, and that it will not impact any significant cultural resources.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We would like to thank Mr. Charles Miller and Mr. William Dunstan who provided historic information on two of the lots. Mr. James Bursick, Budget Director for the City of Leesburg, spent the day with us and provided additional information and documents. We would particularly like to thank Ms. Lauren Stokes of Leesburg who provided us with information from the Florida Division of Historical Resources and copies of Sanborn Maps for Leesburg. In addition, she has collected extensive information on dates associated with the previously standing structures on the Miller and Dunstan properties and did extensive research into the familial, economic, and social histories associated with each of the three lots.

Although information provided by these individuals is not quoted extensively in our report, it is an important part of the history of the three lots as well as of the city. These sources also helped us to develop the field testing methodology used in this survey.

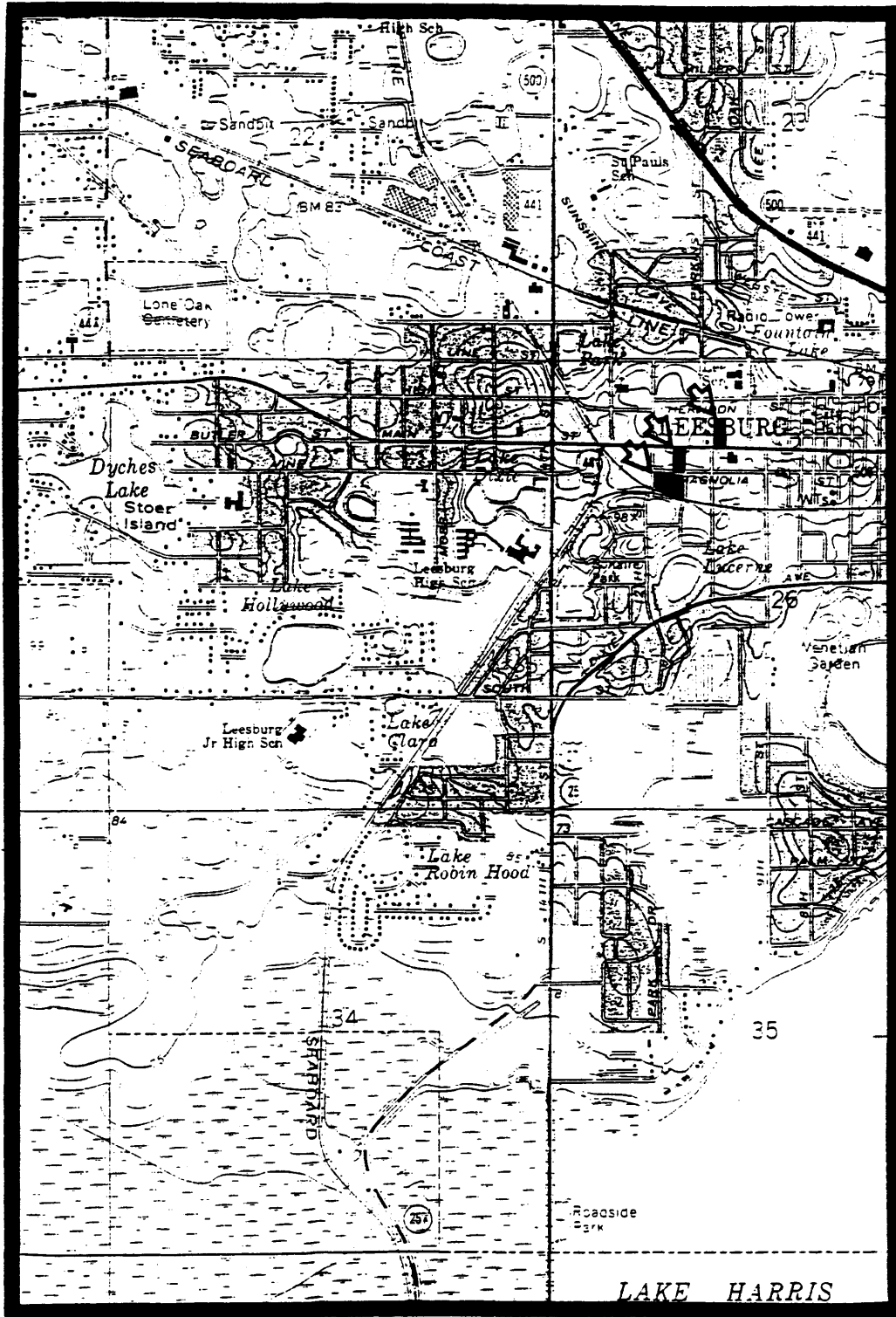
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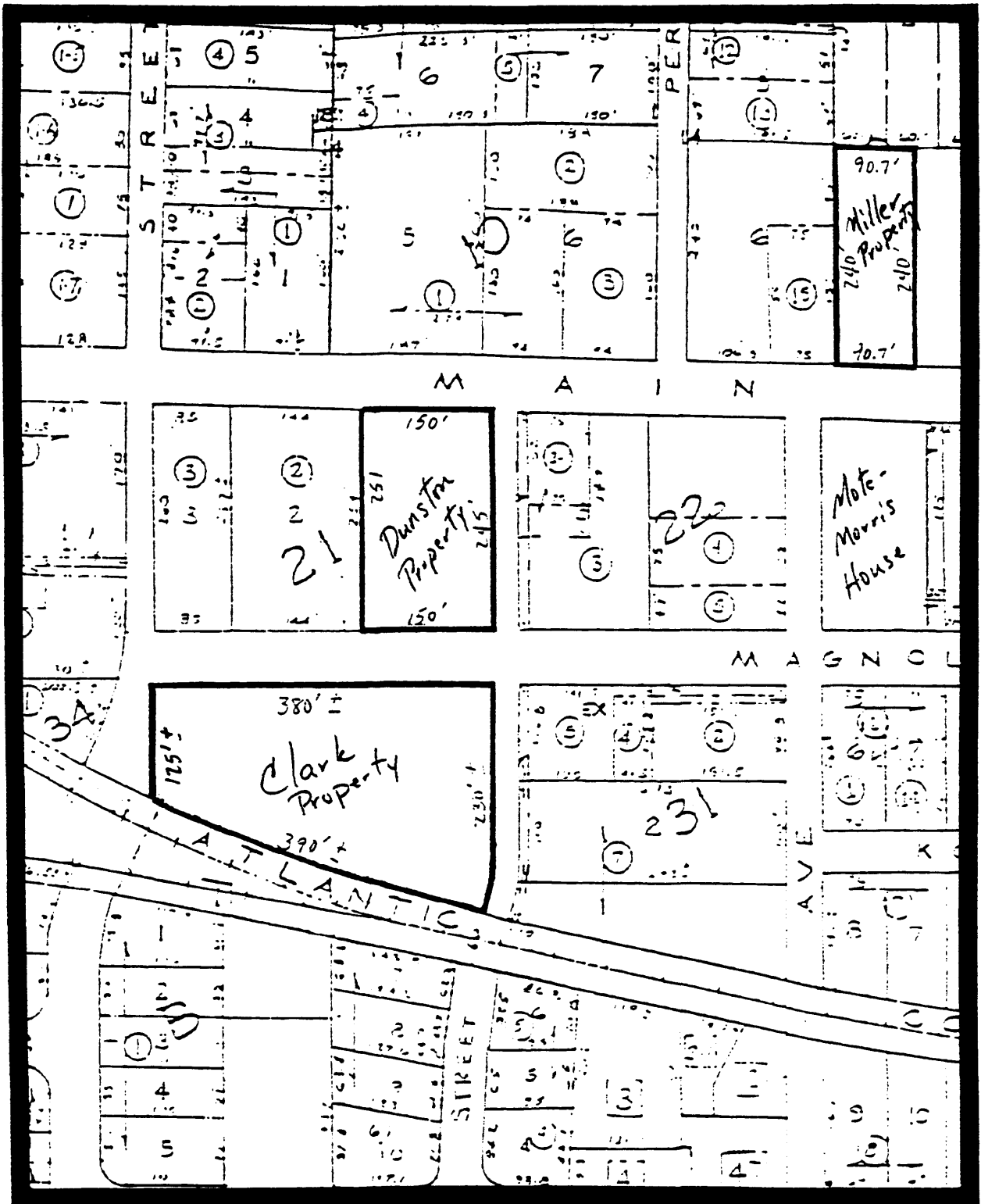
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Locations of the Three Properties Plotted on the Leesburg West U.S.G.S. Quadrangle Map (1966).



Locations of the Three Properties Drawn on a City of Leesburg Map.



APPENDIX

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE FORM  
 FLORIDA MASTER SITE FILE

Version 1.1: 11/88

Site #8 -La-110  
 Recorder # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Field Date 10-21-89

SITE NAME(S) Veranda Home Site/Miller Property  
 PROJECT NAME Survey of Three Small Properties in Leesburg, Florida DHR# \_\_\_\_\_  
 OWNERSHIP private-profit priv-nonprof xpriv-indiv priv-unsp city county state federal  
 USGS MAP NAME Leesburg West CITY Leesburg  
 UTM: ZONE 16 / (17) EASTING 1414270 NORTHING 3187250  
 COUNTY Lake TWP 19S RANGE 24E SECTION 26 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 SE  
 (Optional) LATITUDE d m s LONGITUDE d m s  
 ADDRESS/VICINITY OF/ROUTE TO 1018 West Main Street, Leesburg, Florida

TYPE OF SITE (All that apply) prehist unspecified hist aboriginal xhist nonaboriginal hist unspecified

SETTING	STRUCTURES OR FEATURES			FUNCTION	DENSITY
<u>x</u> land site	<u>aboriginal boat</u>	<u>fort</u>	<u>road segment</u>	<u>none specified</u>	<u>unknown</u>
<u>wetland fresh</u>	<u>agric/farm bldg</u>	<u>midden</u>	<u>shell midden</u>	<u>campsite</u>	<u>single artifact</u>
<u>wetland salt/tidal</u>	<u>burial mound</u>	<u>mill unspecified</u>	<u>shell mound</u>	<u>extractive site</u>	<u>diffuse scatter</u>
<u>underwater</u>	<u>x</u> building remains	<u>mission</u>	<u>shipwreck</u>	<u>x</u> habitatn/homestead	<u>dense scatter &gt;2/m<sup>2</sup></u>
	<u>cemetery/grave</u>	<u>mound unspecif</u>	<u>subsurface features</u>	<u>farmstead</u>	<u>variable density</u>
	<u>dump/refuse</u>	<u>plantation</u>	<u>well</u>	<u>village/town</u>	
	<u>earthworks</u>	<u>platform mound</u>	<u>wharf/dock</u>	<u>quarry</u>	

HISTORIC CONTEXTS (All that apply) unknown culture aboriginal unspecif hist unspecified

ABORIGINAL:	Early Archaic	Glades IIb	Manasota	St. Johns unspecif	Swift Creek
<u>Alachua</u>	<u>Early Swift Creek</u>	<u>Glades IIc</u>	<u>Middle Archaic</u>	<u>St. Johns I</u>	<u>Transitional</u>
<u>Archaic unspec.</u>	<u>Englewood</u>	<u>Glades III</u>	<u>Mount Taylor</u>	<u>St. Johns Ia</u>	<u>Weeden Island</u>
<u>Belle Glade</u>	<u>Fort Walton</u>	<u>Glades IIIa</u>	<u>Norwood</u>	<u>St. Johns Ib</u>	<u>Weeden Island I</u>
<u>Belle Glade I</u>	<u>Glades unspecif</u>	<u>Glades IIIb</u>	<u>Orange</u>	<u>St. Johns II</u>	<u>Weeden Island II</u>
<u>Belle Glade II</u>	<u>Glades I</u>	<u>Glades IIIc</u>	<u>Paleo-Indian</u>	<u>St. Johns IIa</u>	
<u>Belle Glade III</u>	<u>Glades Ia</u>	<u>Hickory Pond</u>	<u>Pensacola</u>	<u>St. Johns IIb</u>	
<u>Belle Glade IV</u>	<u>Glades Ib</u>	<u>Late Archaic</u>	<u>Perico Island</u>	<u>St. Johns IIc</u>	
<u>Cades Pond</u>	<u>Glades II</u>	<u>Late Swift Creek</u>	<u>Safety Harbor</u>	<u>Santa Rosa</u>	<u>prehistc-aceramic</u>
<u>Deptford</u>	<u>Glades IIa</u>	<u>Leon-Jefferson</u>	<u>St. Augustine</u>	<u>Seminole</u>	<u>prehistc-ceramic</u>

NONABORIGINAL:	1st Spn 1700-63	Amer Terr 1821-44	xPostrecn 1880-97	Depress 1930-40	American 1821-
<u>1st Spanish unsp</u>	<u>Brit 1763-1783</u>	<u>Statehood 1845-60</u>	<u>SpWar 1898-1916</u>	<u>WW II 1941-49</u>	<u>American 1821-99</u>
<u>1st Spn 1513-99</u>	<u>2dSpn 1783-1821</u>	<u>Civil War 1861-65</u>	<u>WW I 1917-1920</u>	<u>Modern 1950-</u>	<u>American 1900-</u>
<u>1st Spn 1600-99</u>		<u>Reconstr 1866-79</u>	<u>Boom 1921-1929</u>		<u>Afro-American</u>

OTHER Burned Feb. 14, 1986

RECORDER'S EVALUATION OF SITE

Eligible for National Register? yes xno likely, need information insufficient information  
 Significant as part of district? yes xno likely, need information insufficient information  
 Significant at the local level? yes xno likely, need information insufficient information

SIGNIFICANCE STATEMENT FOR COMPUTER FILES (Limit to 3 lines here; attach full justification)

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ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE FORM  
Division of Historical Resources, Florida Department of State

Site #8-La-110

METHODS FOR SITE DETECTION

METHODS FOR SITE BOUNDARIES

no field check  exposed ground  screened shovel  
 literature search  posthole digger \_\_\_\_\_  
 informant report  auger--size: \_\_\_\_\_  
 remote sensing  unscreend shovel \_\_\_\_\_

bounds unknown  remote sensing  unscreened shovel  
 none by recorder  insp exposed ground  screened shovel  
 literature search  posthole digger  block excavn  
 informant report  auger--size: \_\_\_\_\_  guess

Other/Remarks (#, size, depth, pattern of units; screen size) Six 50x50 cm. tests, approx. 50 cm. deep,  
1/4 in. screen throughout property.

COLLECTION STRATEGY

ARTIFACT CATEGORIES

unknown  unselective (all artifacts)  
 selective (some artifacts)  
 uncollected  general (not by subarea)  
 controlled (by subarea)

unknown  daub  nonlocal-exotic  bone-unspec  
 lithics  brick/bldg matl  metal  unworked shell  
 ceramic-aborig  glass  bone-human  worked shell  
 ceramic-nonabo  prec metal/coin  bone-animal  subsurf feats

Other (Strategy, Categories) \_\_\_\_\_

SITE EXTENT Size (m<sup>2</sup>) ca. 7280 Depth/Stratigraphy of Cultural Deposit 10 cm./disturbed stratigraphy

Perpendicular Dimensions 30 m east-west direction by 80 m north-south direction

SPACE COLLECTED Surface: #units \_\_\_\_\_, total area \_\_\_\_\_ m<sup>2</sup>. Excavation: #units 6, total vol 0.12 m<sup>3</sup>  
TOTAL ARTIFACTS Count or Estimate? Surface # \_\_\_\_\_ Subsurface # 116

DIAGNOSTICS (TYPE OR MODE & FREQUENCY) 4 \_\_\_\_\_ N= \_\_\_\_\_  
1 \_\_\_\_\_ N= \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_ N= \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_ N= \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_ N= \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_ N= \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_ N= \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

TEMPORAL INTERPRETATION Components:  single  prob single  prob multiple  multiple  uncertain  
Describe each occupation spatially. For each, estimate begin, end dates BP; basis; if absolute dates, give method, lab, id, date, range, etc.

ENVIRONMENT Nearest Fresh Water \_\_\_\_\_ Distance (m) \_\_\_\_\_  
Natural Community \_\_\_\_\_  
Local Vegetation golden rain tree, cabbage palm, pecan, cedar, water oak  
Topographic Setting urban  
Present Land Use abandoned home lot  
SCS Soil Series \_\_\_\_\_ Soil Association \_\_\_\_\_

SITE INTEGRITY Overall Disturbance:  none seen  minor  substantial  major  redeposited  
Nature of Disturbances/Threats \_\_\_\_\_

INFORMANT(S) Contact Information Lauren Stokes, 1003 Herndon St., Leesburg, Fl. 34748  
REPOSITORY Field Notes, Artifacts Archaeology Lab, Univ. South Florida, Tampa, Fl.  
Photographs (negative nos) \_\_\_\_\_  
MANUSCRIPTS OR PUBLICATIONS ON THE SITE \_\_\_\_\_

RECORDER(S): Name J.R. Williams, L. Torp, L. Stokes Date of Form 10-24-89  
Affiliation/Address/Phone Univ. South Florida, Tampa, Fl. 33620 (813) 974-2138

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SITE \_\_\_\_\_

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION: Attach information on site discovery, history, current integrity, apparent threats, environment, and your temporal and functional interpretations.  
DISCUSSION OF SIGNIFICANCE: Attach justification for recorder's evaluation (Page 1).

REQUIRED: USGS MAP OR COPY WITH SITE LOCATION MARKED

SITE NAME Veranda Home SiteNATURE OF SITE standing structure  archaeological site  both

## A. NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF SITE (Use back of page and continuations)

see: Williams, J. Raymond, Lyle Torp, 1989; An Archaeological and Historical Survey Three Small Parcels of Land in Leesburg, Florida.

## B. DISCUSSION OF SIGNIFICANCE (Use back of page and continuations)

not considered significant

## C. HISTORY AND BIBLIOGRAPHY OF PAST WORK AT SITE (Use back of page and continuation sheets if necessary)

see: Florida Master Site File Form for 8-LA-110 (pertaining to former historic structure).

# ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE FORM FLORIDA MASTER SITE FILE

Version 1.1: 11/88

SITE NAME(S) Dunstan House Site  
PROJECT NAME Survey of Three Small Properties in Leesburg, Florida DHR# \_\_\_\_\_  
OWNERSHIP private-profit  priv-nonprof   priv-indiv  priv-unsp  city  county  state  federal  
USGS MAP NAME Leesburg West CITY Leesburg  
UTM: ZONE 16 / 17 EASTING 1414250 NORTHING 3187200  
COUNTY Lake TWP 19S RANGE 24E SECTION 26  NW  NE  SW  
(Optional) LATITUDE d \_\_\_\_\_ m \_\_\_\_\_ s \_\_\_\_\_ LONGITUDE d \_\_\_\_\_ m \_\_\_\_\_ s \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS/VICINITY OF/ROUTE TO 1109 West Main Street, Leesburg, FL

TYPE OF SITE (All that apply)  prehist unspecified  hist aboriginal  hist nonaboriginal  hist unspecified

SETTING	STRUCTURES OR FEATURES			FUNCTION	DENSITY
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>land site</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>aboriginal boat</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>fort</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>road segment</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>none specified</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>unknown</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>wetland fresh</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>agric/farm bldg</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>midden</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>shell midden</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>campsite</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>single artifact</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>wetland salt/tidal</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>burial mound</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>mill unspecified</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>shell mound</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>extractive site</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>diffuse scatter</u>
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OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

HISTORIC CONTEXTS (All that apply)  unknown culture  aboriginal unspecif  hist unspecified

ABORIGINAL:	Early Archaic	Glades IIb	Manasota	St. Johns unspecif	Swift Creek
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NONABORIGINAL:  1st Spn 1700-63  Amer Terr 1821-44  Postrecn 1880-97  Depress 1930-40  American 1821-  
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 1st Spn 1513-99  2dSpn 1783-1821  Civil War 1861-65  WW I 1917-1920  Modern 1950-  American 1900-  
 1st Spn 1600-99  Reconstr 1866-79  Boom 1921-1929  Afro-American

OTHER One story, board and batton woodframe, later stuccoed. Torn down, 1981

### RECORDER'S EVALUATION OF SITE

Eligible for National Register?  yes  Xno  likely, need information  insufficient information  
Significant as part of district?  yes  Xno  likely, need information  insufficient information  
Significant at the local level?  yes  Xno  likely, need information  insufficient information

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SHPO EVALUATION OF ELIGIBILITY: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
LOCAL DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Local Office \_\_\_\_\_

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE FORM

Site #8 La-454

Division of Historical Resources, Florida Department of State

METHODS FOR SITE DETECTION

METHODS FOR SITE BOUNDARIES

no field check
X literature search
X informant report
remote sensing
X exposed ground
posthole digger
auger--size:
unscreened shovel

bounds unknown
none by recorder
X literature search
X informant report
remote sensing
insp exposed ground
posthole digger
auger--size:
unscreened shovel
X screened shovel
block excavns
guess

Other/Remarks (#, size, depth, pattern of units; screen size) Six 50x50 cm. test pits, approx. 1meter deep, 1/4 in. screen throughout property.

COLLECTION STRATEGY

ARTIFACT CATEGORIES

unknown
uncollected
X unselective (all artifacts)
selective (some artifacts)
general (not by subarea)
controlled (by subarea)

unknown
lithics
ceramic-aborig
X ceramic-nonabo
daub
X brick/bldg matl
X glass
prec metal/coin
nonlocal-exotic
X metal
bone-human
bone-animal
bone-unspec
unworked shell
worked shell
subsurf feats

Other (Strategy, Categories)

SITE EXTENT Size (m^2) ca. 12,000 Depth/Stratigraphy of Cultural Deposit ca. 50-70 cm./disturbed strat.

Perpendicular Dimensions 50 m east-west direction by 80 m north-south direction

SPACE COLLECTED Surface: #units, total area m^2. Excavation: #units 6, total vol 1.6 m^3
TOTAL ARTIFACTS Count or Estimate? Surface # Subsurface # 47

DIAGNOSTICS (TYPE OR MODE & FREQUENCY)

1 Asbestos shingle fragments N= 5
2 Ironstone: Fiesta ware N= 1
3 N= 7

Remarks

TEMPORAL INTERPRETATION Components: single X prob single prob multiple multiple uncertain

Describe each occupation spatially. For each, estimate begin, end dates BP; basis; if absolute dates, give method, lab, id, date, range, etc.

ENVIRONMENT Nearest Fresh Water Distance (m)

Natural Community
Local Vegetation water and scrub oak, golden rain, camphor, legustrum, cabbage palm, grasses
Topographic Setting urban
Present Land Use abandoned home lot
SCS Soil Series Soil Association

SITE INTEGRITY Overall Disturbance: none seen minor substantial major X redeposited

Nature of Disturbances/Threats

INFORMANT(S) Contact Information Lauren Stokes, 1003 Herndon St., Leesburg, Fl.

REPOSITORY Field Notes, Artifacts Archaeology Lab, Univ. South Florida, Tampa, Fl.

Photographs (negative nos)

MANUSCRIPTS OR PUBLICATIONS ON THE SITE

RECORDER(S): Name J.R. Williams, L. Torp, L. Stokes Date of Form 10-24-89

Affiliation/Address/Phone Univ. South Florida, Tampa, Fl. 33620 (813) 974-2138

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SITE

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DISCUSSION OF SIGNIFICANCE: Attach justification for recorder's evaluation (Page 1).

REQUIRED: USGS MAP OR COPY WITH SITE LOCATION MARKED

SITE NAME Dunston House SiteNATURE OF SITE standing structure  archaeological site  both

## A. NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF SITE (Use back of page and continuations)

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## B. DISCUSSION OF SIGNIFICANCE (Use back of page and continuations)

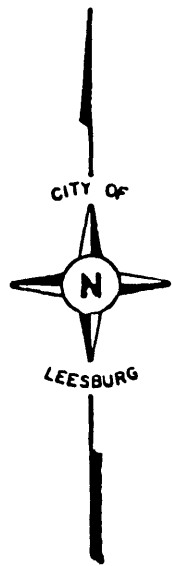
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## C. HISTORY AND BIBLIOGRAPHY OF PAST WORK AT SITE (Use back of page and continuation sheets if necessary)

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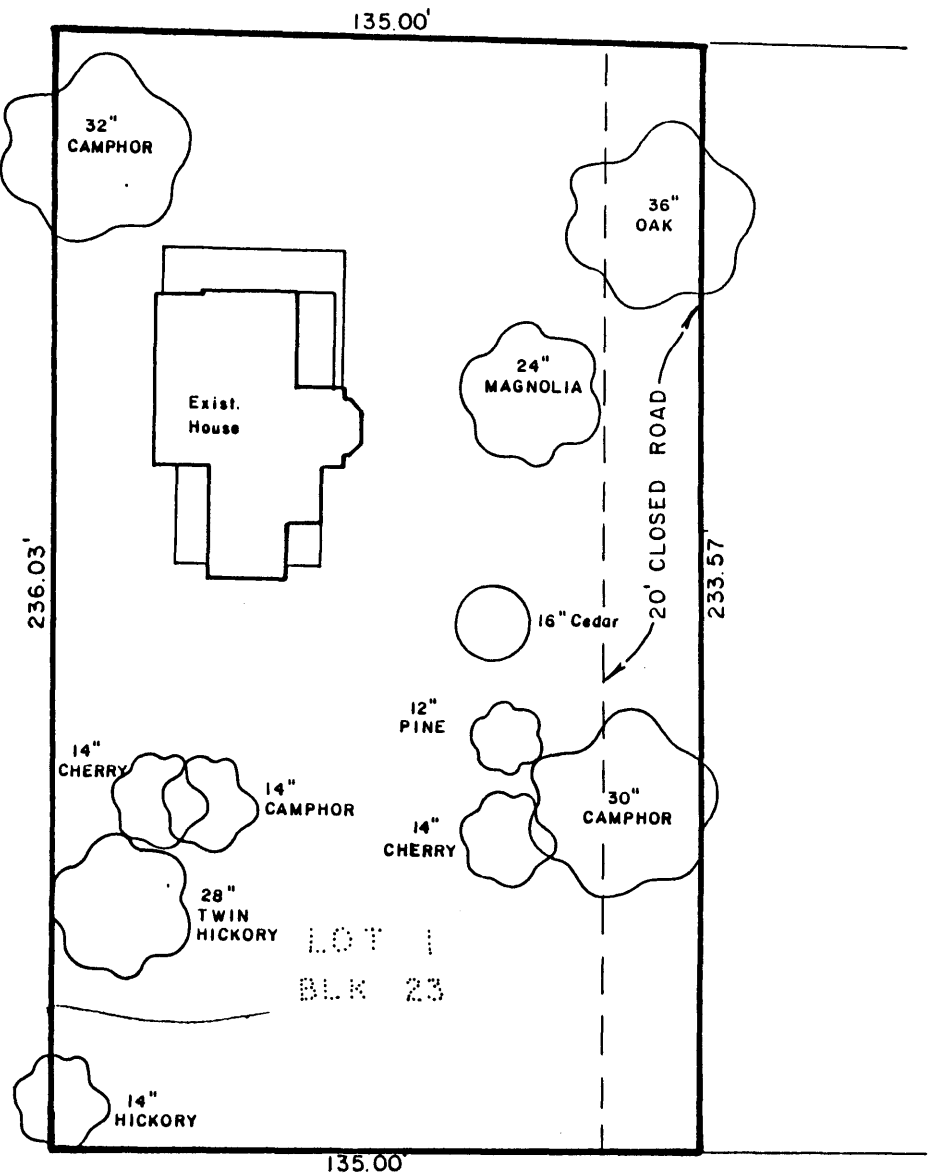


MAIN STREET (60' R/W)



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
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MAGNOLIA STREET (60' R/W)

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- 3) THIS IS NOT A SURVEY.

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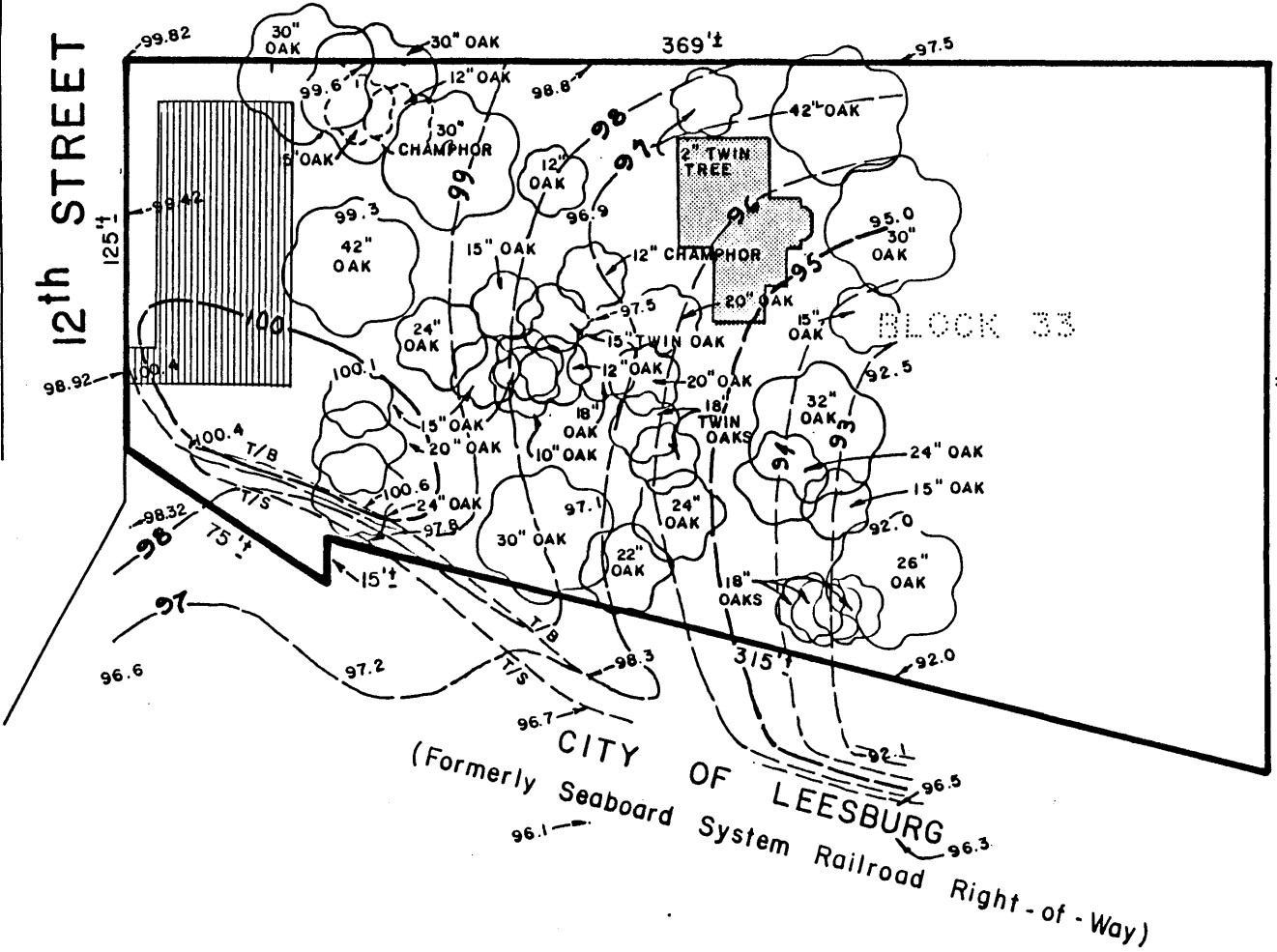
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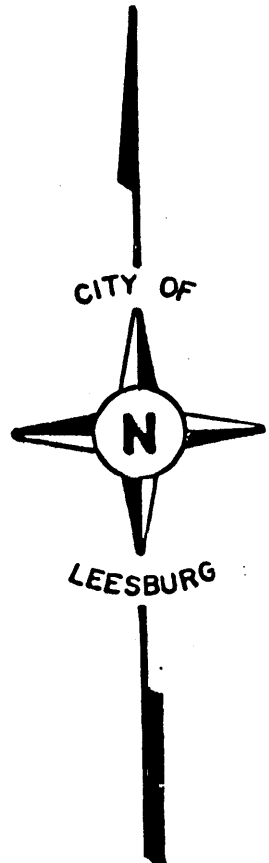
# MAGNOLIA STREET (60' R/W)

11th STREET (R/W 50')



230'

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SCALE 1" = 60'

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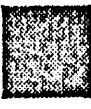
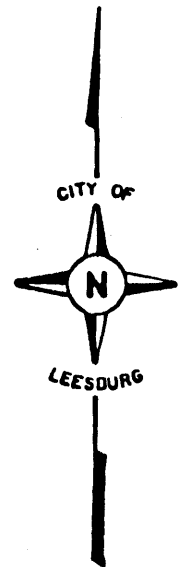
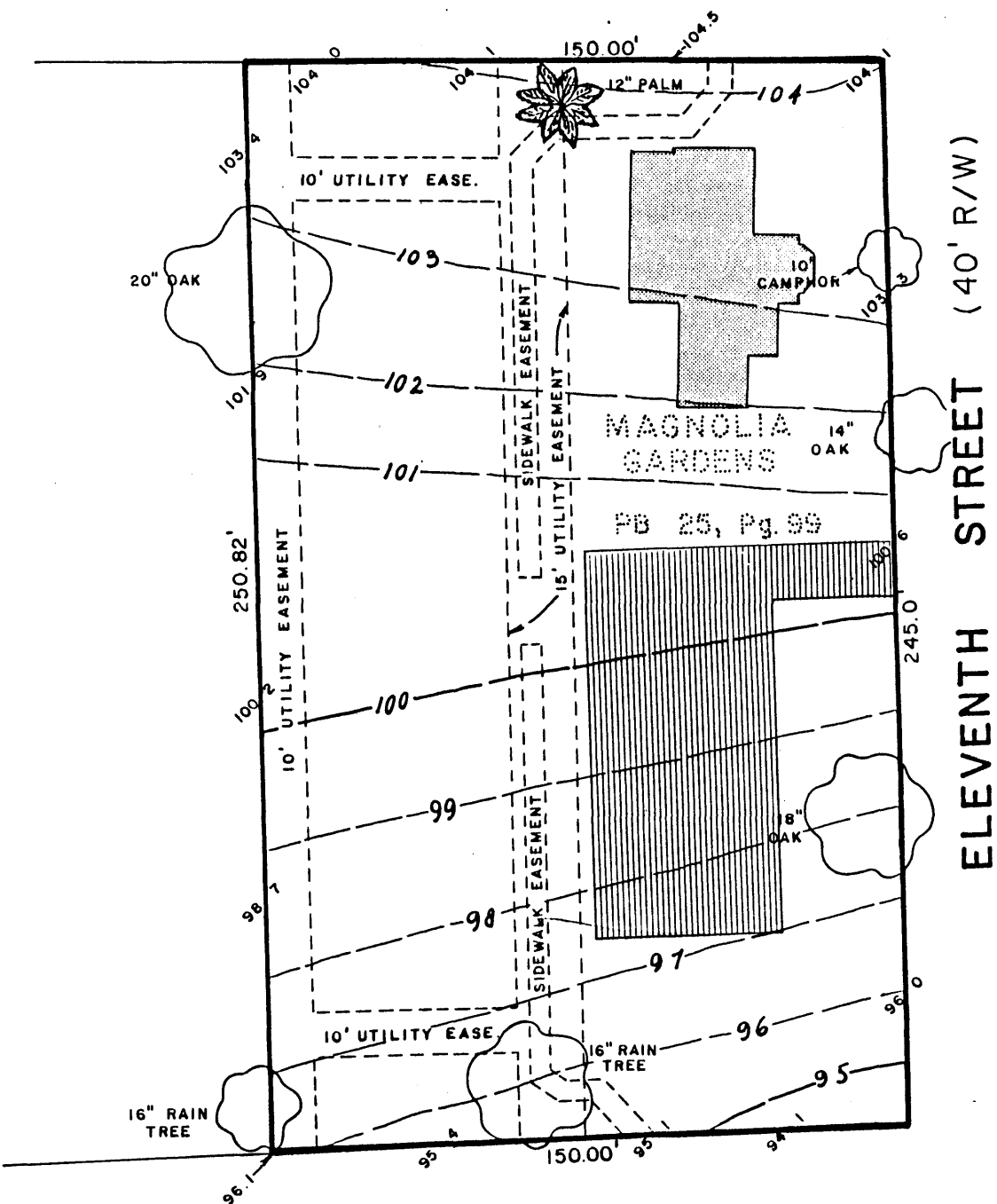
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
MAIN STREET (60' R/W)



MAGNOLIA STREET (60' R/W)

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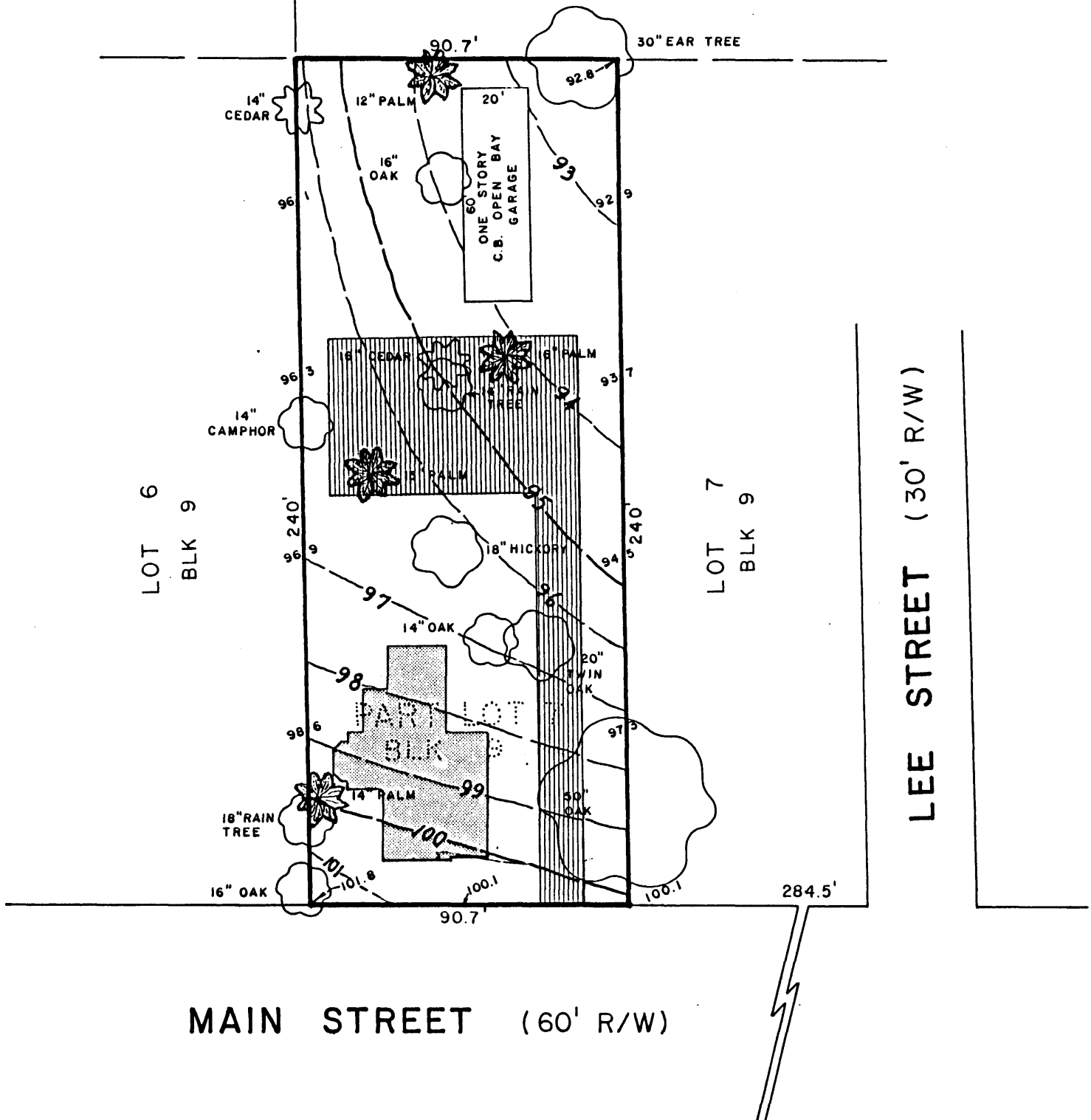
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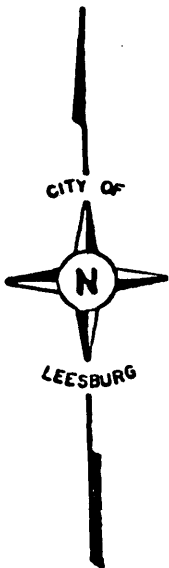
EXHIBIT 9

LOT 5  
BLK 9

LOT 2  
BLK 9



SCALE: 1" = 40'



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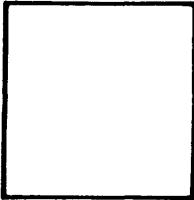
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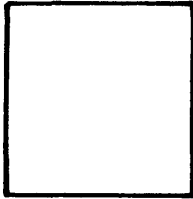
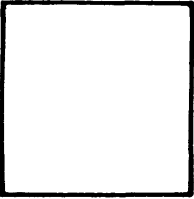
**EXHIBIT 10**





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MEMORANDUM

TO: JIM BURSICK, BUDGET DIRECTOR

FROM: CHARLES R. LANGLEY, CITY ENGINEER/DIR. OF PUBLIC WORKS *CRZ*

DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 1989

SUBJECT: MOTE-MORRIS HOUSE  
HISTORICAL INTEGRITY

As requested, I have reviewed the Mote-Morris House with respect to any alterations being required prior to moving which might affect its "Historical Integrity".

The chimneys will need to be removed at the roof line to safeguard personnel involved with the relocation. I do not foresee any problem with their removal and replacement with the same brick.

Three porches will most probably need to be removed to enable the main house to be relocated. The two back porches will be re-built with as much original material that can be salvaged from what has not been destroyed by rain. The front porch does not appear to be a part of the original structure and may not be replaced upon relocation due to extensive water damage.

I believe that the reconstruction of chimney tops and rear porches will maintain the historical integrity of this structure. If the front porch is not replaced it will not affect the structure's historical integrity.

EXHIBIT 11

# Leesburg Heritage Society, Inc.

Leesburg, Florida 32748 787 6374

October 23, 1989

To Whom It May Concern:

The Mote-Morris House is the most historical landmark we have in Leesburg and very worthy of continuing on the National Historic Register. As a historical landmark, the Leesburg Heritage Society is extremely interested in its preservation and restoration. Relocation of the house is necessary as a first step towards achieving this project.

The City of Leesburg is planning to relocate, preserve and restore the house. If this can be accomplished, it would be a public building which would belong to the City and would be used for many purposes. The Leesburg Heritage Society would be interested in using the house for a meeting place, a museum, special exhibits and for an archives for historical memorabilia.

As you can see, we are extremely anxious for the Mote-Morris House to remain a historical landmark in our city and will appreciate any help that you can give us.

Sincerely,

*Fred Kramer III - President*

Fred Kramer III

EXHIBIT 12



# Lake-Sumter Community College

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Leesburg, Florida 32788

October 16, 1989

Ms. Lauren Stokes, Chairman  
Mote-Morris House Steering Committee  
P.O. Box 490630  
Leesburg, Florida 34749

Dear Ms. Stokes:

This letter is to confirm that Lake-Sumter Community College is interested in working with your organization to provide educational classes and activities for the community in the historic Mote-Morris House in downtown Leesburg.

As you may know, Lake-Sumter Community College offers over 125 non-credit and community education classes each semester. We are in need of classroom facilities for many of these activities. We are currently working with a number of organizations in Leesburg who have requested training programs. We are also considering a noon time "Lunch and Learn" series for the business community. A classroom location near downtown Leesburg would be ideal for these and other activities.

We are excited about working with you to bring some of our college programs and classes closer to the residents of Leesburg by using the Mote-Morris House as an educational facility.

Sincerely,

R. Jerry Smith  
Associate Dean of Extended Studies

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