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TOWN COUNCIL

Judy Paul MAYOR Dear Mr. Costoya:

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Bryan Caletka Councilmember District 1

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> Susan Starkey Vice Mayor District 3

Marlon Luis Councilmember District 4 I hope my letter finds you well during these unprecedented times. The Town has had the opportunity to work in collaboration with your firm for our own initiatives, as well as, for private developments. On behalf of the Town, I want to express our appreciation for your design expertise and professionalism through each project.

On the public partnership side, the Town engaged your services most recently for the conceptual design for our most important project referred to as the Davie Farm Park. This Town project, consisting of over 80 acres, includes an educational center focusing on preserving Davie's agricultural history for future generations. The Park will encompass facilities and programs for education, special needs children and adults, research, nutrition, environmental, community gardens, a farmer's market, and equestrian facilities to name a few. Although we had the conceptual components in our vision, it took you and your team to correlate, recommend and design this historic project.

Regarding the private development, you have created what is being referred to as the "Downtown Davie Mile", through your representation of numerous business investors. It was just a few years ago that the Town's Downtown Community Redevelopment Area was void of activity. Your team has incorporated our unique western design theme into your projects and successfully introduced five new mixeduse projects with over 200,000 square feet of commercial space and retail and 150 units with a future taxable value of over \$250 million. This resurgence has been a springboard for development, property value increases and the balanced design had the foresight to consider surrounding areas with regards to safety, open space and visual corridors.

Just as important, your ability to work with a diverse group of elected officials and residents to present, address and resolve concerns was impressive. This coupled with your networking and professional history with other permitting governmental entities has begun the process of shifting us from concept to vertical construction. It continues to be a pleasure to work with Frank Costoya Architect, P.A.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Lemack Town Administrator

