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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 8, 2020
TO: Debbie Voorhees, Contract Manager, Parks and Natural Resources Department
THROUGH: Mitchell O. Palmer, County Attorney *Approved by M. Palmer 9-08-20*
FROM: Alexandria C. Nicodemi, Assistant County Attorney *Approved by A. Nicodemi 9-08-20*
RE: **Geraldson Community Farm Agreement Agreement; CAO Matter No. 2020-0287**

This memorandum is in response to the above referenced Request for Legal Services in which you asked this office to draft an Amendment to the Sale and Purchase Agreement ("First Amendment") between Manatee County and the Trustees of the Geraldson's Children Trust and the Geraldson's Grandchildren Trust. Per your request, I have drafted the First Amendment and my comments are as follows:

1. Per your Request for Legal Services, you have indicated that the Geraldson family would like the employment restriction on the original Sale and Purchase Agreement from 2005 to be removed so that the family can farm the land. Additionally, the County is requesting the name requirement of the farm be removed.
2. Attached to this memorandum you will find the First Amendment to the Sale and Purchase Agreement incorporating all revisions requested by the Parks and Natural Resources Department.
3. Please confirm that Gregory Geraldson and Karen Stone are still the Trustees of the Geraldson's Children's Trust and the Geraldson's Grandchildren Trust.

Subject to resolution of the outstanding business terms, I have no objection from a legal standpoint to scheduling this First Amendment to the Sale and Purchase Agreement for consideration by the Board of County Commissioners. I express no opinion as to the business judgement of entering into this First Amendment. This completes my response

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to your Request for Legal Services. If you have any further questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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Charlie Hunsicker, Director, Parks and Natural Resources Department