March 7, 1949

City Commissioners Tallahassee, Florida

Gentlemen:

Our attention has been called to the fact that tentative plans have been made by your Commission to incorporate certain areas of property adjacent to and a part of the Florida A and M College. The college has faced the serious problem, as you know, of a shortage of suitable and desirable homes in Tallahassee for Negro professional personnel in connection with the institution. Recently we have been making a very strenuous effort to encourage as many of our teachers as possible to purchase property and build homes here in the community.

The area of the college's property bounded on the west by Boulevard Street, on the south by Washington Street and on the east by Adams Street, represents a limited area that seems immediately available for faculty members of the college to build desirable homes. We are therefore asking that you alter your plans which now call for the city limits to be determined by Lee Street on the South, to Adams, and that the limits be extended southward at Lee and Boulevard, on Boulevard to Washington and east on Washington to Adams Street.

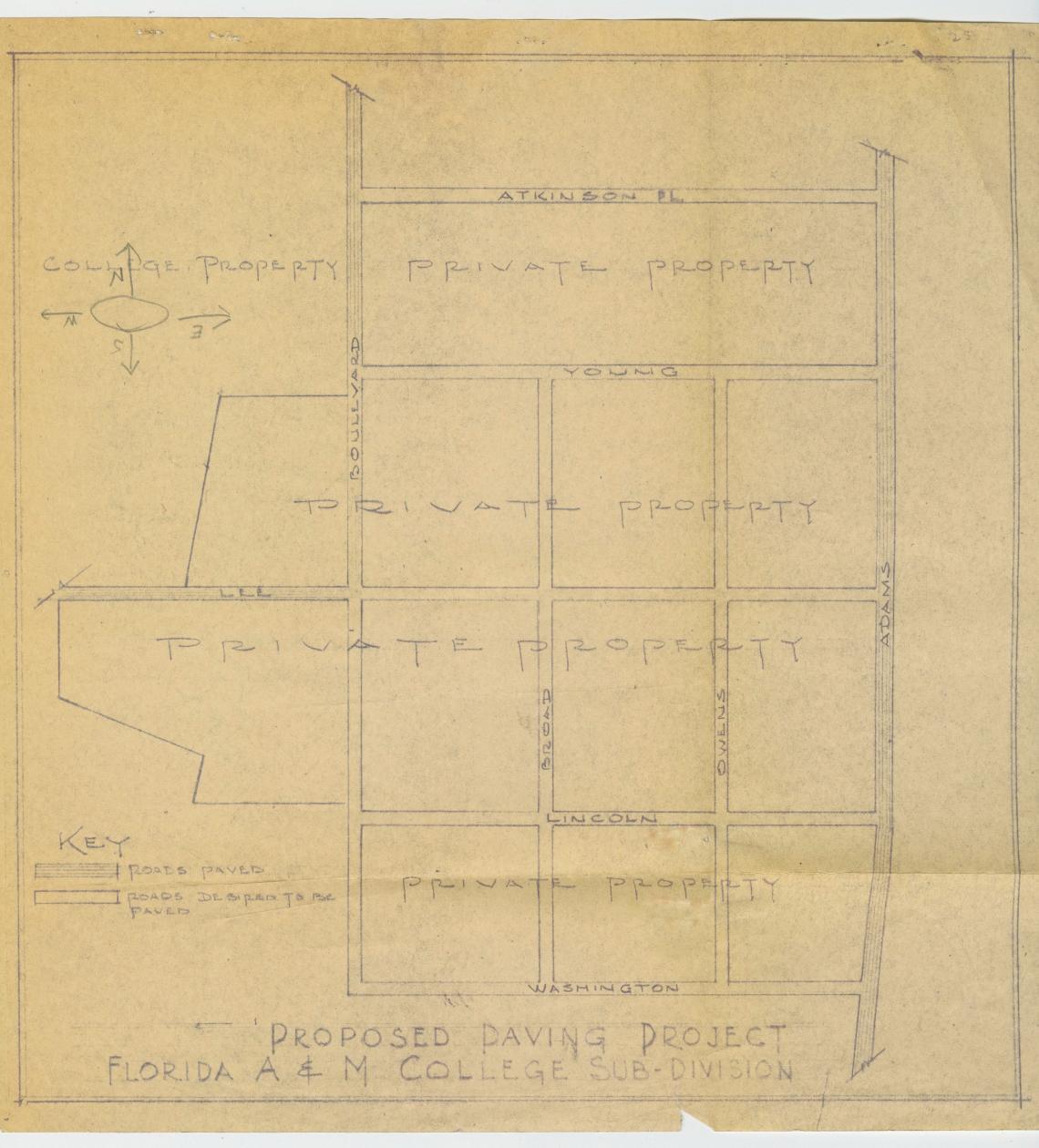
Any consideration that you might possibly be able to give this request will, I am sure, prove mutually beneficial to the City of Tallahassee and the program of Florida A and M College.

Most respectfully yours,

WHG:acbb

Wm. H. Gray, Jr.

cc: Mr. M N Yancey, City Manager Mr. George White, City Clerk



Water available in Florida A and M College Subdivision:

6" water line runs down Osceola St. (formerly Lee St.) from Boulevard St to South Adams.

6" city water line runs our South Adams to corner of Young St.

2" water line runs down Young St. from Boulevard to Adams St. This line put in by property owners.

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