

Facilities Planning and Construction
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SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A JOINT OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE USE OF A PORTION OF DEVON AIRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR VEHICULAR PARKING

Since March 1980, Devon Aire Elementary School (school) has used the adjacent Devon Aire Park (park) for its recreational programs. In addition, school visitors use a parking lot located on the park site to augment school parking facilities.

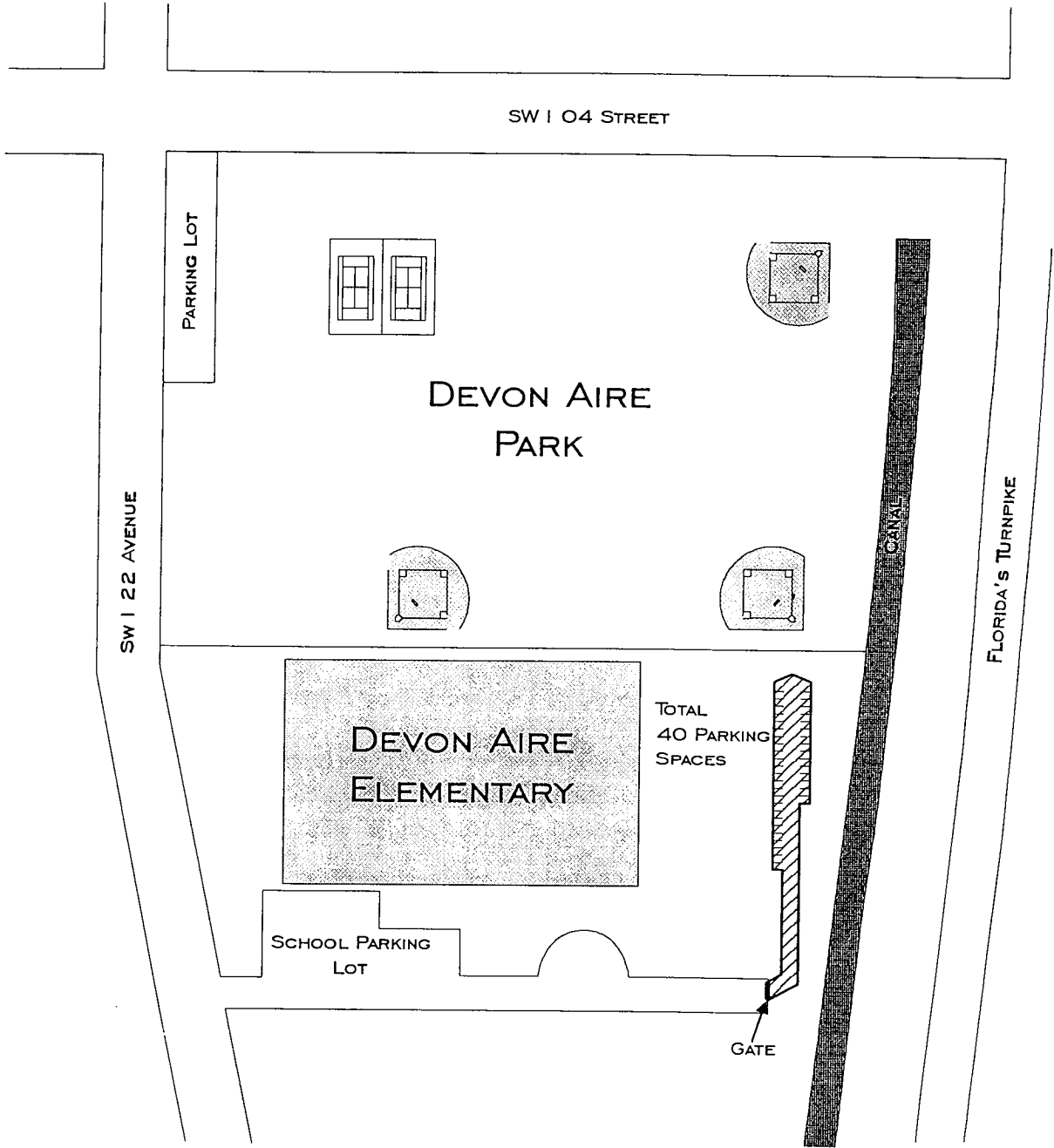
Due to increased park usage, the Miami-Dade County Park & Recreation Department (County) has requested the use of a portion of the school site to construct an additional parking lot to help service the recreational needs of the community (see attached location map). The County will make all improvements, including lighting and landscaping, at its sole cost and expense, and will maintain the area and be responsible for trash and litter removal at all times. The school principal has indicated a need for additional staff and visitor parking during school hours, as well as for special events. As such, the school will have use of the new parking lot during school hours and shall have exclusive use during non-school hours for special events and functions, upon a minimum of 48 hours advance notice to the County.

The proposed agreement has been reviewed by the School Board Attorney's Office and the Office of Risk and Benefits Management. The principal of Devon Aire Elementary School, Region Superintendent for Region V and Deputy Superintendent for School Operations recommend approval of this Joint Operating Agreement. The Office of Capital Improvement Projects and Department of Safety, Environment and Hazards Management are in agreement with the proposed Joint Operating Agreement.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent or his designee to execute a Joint Operating Agreement with Miami-Dade County for the use of a portion of Devon Aire Elementary School for vehicular parking, under the terms and conditions set forth above.

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LOCATION MAP



LEGEND

 PROPOSED NEW PARKING LOT

