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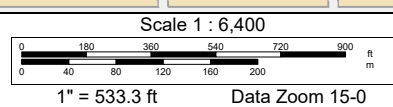
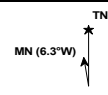
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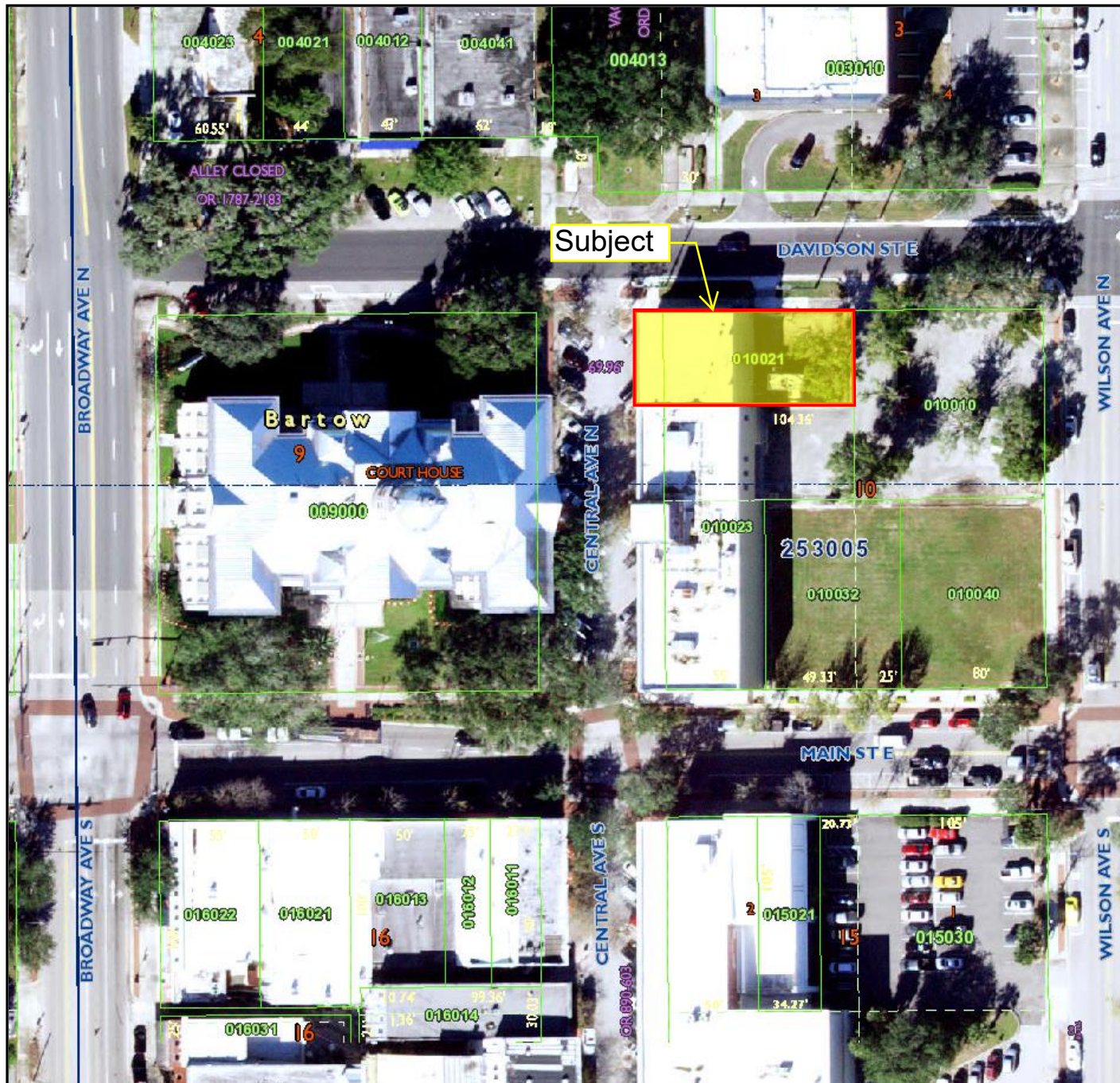
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# SECTION 05, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST





October 30, 2023

Wade Allen  
Administrator, Real Estate Services  
Polk County, Florida  
515 East Boulevard Street  
Bartow, FL 33830

RE: **180 Central Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830**  
Request by City of Bartow, Florida and Bartow Community Redevelopment Agency for  
County Deed and Donation of Property

Dear Mr. Allen:

I write today on behalf of the City Commission of the City of Bartow, Florida ("City Commission") and the Board of Commissioners of the Bartow Community Redevelopment Agency ("CRA Board") regarding real property owned by Polk County, Florida located at 180 Central Avenue North, Bartow, Florida 33830 and assigned Parcel Number 25-30-05-372500-010021 by the Polk County Property Appraiser ("180 Central"). Collectively, the City Commission, CRA Board and City Staff understand that 180 Central has been declared surplus by the Polk County Board of County Commissioners and the County's Real Estate Services division. As such, we understand that Polk County is considering donating 180 Central by County Deed to a qualified local government agency, such as the City of Bartow, to redevelop and devote to public use.

Please accept this letter as a formal request on behalf of the City Commission and the CRA Board for donation of the property to the City of Bartow, Florida. The City and CRA intend to restore the building, bring it into compliance with the Florida Building Code, and devote the property to public uses to include new office space for the CRA and its staff, new office space for the City of Bartow Police Department's CRA-funded Community Policing Initiative, and other public uses to be determined as part of the building redevelopment process. The City is willing to accept the property by County Deed. Redevelopment of the building will be primarily funded by the CRA Board and increment revenue accruing to the CRA's redevelopment trust fund, together with a combination of other sources for any portions of the building devoted to general non-CRA public uses.

We understand this item will be brought before the Board of County Commissioners on November 21, 2023 for approval. Should you require anything from the City Commission, the CRA Board, or the City's staff before this date, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Herr", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Mike Herr  
City Manager  
City of Bartow, Florida

This instrument prepared under the direction of:  
R. Wade Allen, Administrator  
Polk County Real Estate Services  
P. O. Box 9005, Drawer RE 01  
Bartow, Florida 33831-9005  
By: Scott C. Lowery  
Parcel ID No.: 253005-372500-010021

**COUNTY DEED**

**THIS DEED**, made this 21st day of November, 2023, by **POLK COUNTY**, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, whose address is P.O. Box 9005, Drawer RE-01, Bartow, FL 33831, Grantor, to **CITY OF BARTOW**, a Florida Municipal Corporation, whose address is 450 North Wilson Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, Grantee.

**WITNESSETH:** That the Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of \$1.00, to it in hand paid by the Grantee, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, and sold to Grantee, its successors and assigns forever, all the right, title, interest, including interests, if any, in rights which may have been reserved by operation of Section 270.11 Florida Statutes, claim, and demand, which the Grantor has in and to the following described land lying and being in Polk County, Florida, to wit:

**A PARCEL OF LAND BEING THE NORTH 1/2 OF LOT 2, BLOCK 10, PLAT OF THE SURVEY OF THE TOWN OF BARTOW, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 15 (DEED BOOK P, PAGE 80), PUBLIC RECORDS OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

**RESERVING;** however, unto the Grantor, a perpetual easement on, over, under and upon the property described in the attached Exhibit "A" for the purposes of accessing, operating, maintaining, repairing, and/or replacing an air conditioning chiller unit and all associated equipment and components, including but not limited to water, drain and electrical lines, which is owned and operated by the Grantor in conjunction with an adjacent facility (Historic Courthouse).

**REVERTER:** The property herein described is to be used for a public purpose by the Grantee. In the event that the property ceases to be used for a public purpose, all property rights shall revert back to the Grantor.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, said grantor has caused these presents to be executed in its name by its Board of County Commissioners, acting by the Chair or Vice-Chair of said board, the day and year aforesaid.

**ATTEST:**

**Stacy M. Butterfield**  
Clerk to the Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

(Seal)

**GRANTOR:**

Polk County, Florida

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners

## EXHIBIT "A"

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PORTION OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF LOT 2, BLOCK 10, PLAT OF THE SURVEY OF THE TOWN OF BARTOW, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 15 (DEED BOOK P, PAGE 80), PUBLIC RECORDS OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE NORTH 89°34'38" EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 2, A DISTANCE OF 52.28 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 89°34'38" EAST, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 45.50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°26'37" EAST, PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 2, A DISTANCE OF 51.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89°34'38" WEST, PARALLEL WITH SAID NORTH LINE, 40.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°26'37" WEST, PARALLEL WITH SAID WEST LINE, 28.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89°34'38" WEST, PARALLEL WITH SAID NORTH LINE, 5.50 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°26'37" WEST, PARALLEL WITH SAID WEST LINE, 23.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.