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DATE: June 9, 2009  
TO: The Planning Commission  
FROM: Thomas L. Thomson, Executive Director   
SUBJECT: Interns

As is our custom, we utilize the talents of interns over the summer months to help staff with important projects throughout the agency. These projects provide an opportunity for students to participate in a work environment with practical applications of their college studies.

I am especially pleased with the interns who will be assisting us this year. Although you will learn more about the interns and their duties during the Planning Meeting; however, briefly, here is an overview:

- Catherine Dewitt, sophomore at Auburn University, working with Jackie Jackson Teel to produce materials for the Coastal Stormwater Management Manual. She is also drafting a how-to guide for sustainable building for homeowners. During her time in SAGIS, Ms. Dewitt will also catalogue historical air photos to create an index of the MPC repository of air photos.
- Quartavius Swanson and William Roundtree, seniors at Savannah State University. Both young men will be helping to create a County Greenspace map through GIS that will identify all protected areas and parks that exist within Chatham County. They will also be researching conservation easements that are held in the County and the conservation status of each protected area.
- Michelle Knowland, Minnesota native and graduate student of public policy at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, will be assisting Dennis Hutton and Jack Butler with their work on community development and land use plans for the West Bay Street Corridor and Hudson Hill.
- Nelson Biden, graduate student in Urban Design at SCAD, is also working with Dennis and Jack on the West Bay Street Corridor and Hudson Hill projects.

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