

the gentleman and lady who also stopped to help. I sincerely hope they may see this letter and know how thankful and grateful we are for their help. There truly are some terrific Temple Terrace heroes who saved my daughter's life.

She has been able to return home after receiving a defibrillator and is recuperating, thanks to these special, wonderful people. I thank God for these angels among us.

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City Should Grace, Not Disgrace Us

Temple Terrace has been in existence since the early 1920s. It had some tough times during the Depression years, but today the community thrives.

Did you know that Billy Graham once went to school at Florida College and walked

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the golf course? Or personalities such as Bob Hope, Lee Trevino, Glen Campbell and others graced our fair city and played the course.

Who can overlook the beauty of a small town with winding streets, glorious oak trees, a graceful river and still-functioning Mediterranean homes of the '20s? Temple Terrace is indeed unique.

Temple Terrace has been termed, say some, as a "bedroom community." If I understand the meaning of the phrase, it applies to an area where citizens only use their homes and community for sleeping purposes. This may apply to some citizens, but many people work in the Temple Terrace area and though they teach and attend classes at USF, they also have golf course memberships and enjoy the facilities.

Our churches are also attended by many of the citizens. The river is used for recreation by many. Our public library is well attended. We have our own town government, police and fire departments, sanitation facili-

ties, etc. Plus, there's a Masque (community) Theatre and the popular (Temple Terrace) Family Recreation Complex. We also have the luxury of several family-owned and operated restaurants that are widely used by Temple Terrace families.

Tempe Terrace is not a community of impoverished citizens, but one that could easily support a moderate tax increase to help finance the redevelopment project.

What a pleasure it would be to introduce visiting friends and family to a downtown befitting Temple Terrace.

Five or six years ago such a plan was presented by the citizens. It presented a redevelopment plan that reflected a pedestrian-friendly town center. Over the years, the plan has been so "watered down" it is only a shadow of what consultant Torti-Gallas originally proposed.

Please, city council and developer Pinnacle/Ram, give Temple Terrace a plan that graces us - not disgraces us.

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