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**Summary:** Experience in management, budgeting, and leadership. Strong knowledge of public policy, long-range and strategic planning methods, transportation planning, architecture, land development, cultural and natural resource planning principles, placemaking, historic preservation, resiliency, and land use regulation. Excellent writing and communication skills. Seasoned group coordinator and facilitator. Able to establish good relationships with co-workers, staff, elected officials, and the community.

**Work Experience:** **Alfred Benesch & Company, Jacksonville and Orlando, Florida**  
*Senior Planner/Project Manager (July 2017-Present)*

In-House Planning Consultant for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 5, responsible for project management of public planning studies for a nine county area. Responsibilities include the management, review and coordination of long-range strategic planning initiatives, such as corridor design planning, large-scale community planning projects, resiliency planning, comprehensive planning, and land development code updates, community outreach and public engagement with local, regional, state, federal agencies and consulting firms on behalf of FDOT District 5 priorities. Tasks involve scope of services writing, contract estimating and negotiating, community engagement, data collection, GIS mapping, field review, safety assessment, existing and future conditions operations analysis, long-range needs assessment, alternatives development and analysis, utility verification, cost estimates, ROW estimates, environmental evaluations and concept plan development. Example studies and projects include:

- SR 535 Concept Development Plan, Orange County, FL
- SR 526 Downtown Orlando Complete Streets, Orlando, FL
- Tav-Dora Trail Corridor Planning Study, Tavares, FL
- SR 507/Babcock Street Corridor Planning Study, Melbourne, FL
- SR 50 Corridor Planning Study, Clermont, FL
- SR 438 Packing District Complete Streets and Lane Elimination, Orlando, FL
- SR 520 Cocoa Village Complete Streets, Cocoa, FL
- US 1 Corridor Planning Study, Rockledge, FL

**Ghyabi & Associates, Jacksonville, Florida**

*Senior Planner/Project Manager (August 2009-June 2017)*

Served as planning project manager for public and private sector transportation planning projects throughout the state of Florida. Responsibilities included project management, proposal writing, scope of services writing, fee estimating and negotiating, community engagement, graphics production, data collection, GIS mapping, field review, safety assessment, existing and future conditions operations analysis, long-range needs assessment, alternatives development and analysis, utility verification, cost estimates, environmental evaluations and concept plan development. Example studies and projects include:

- 2030 Mobility Plan & Mobility Fee, Jacksonville, FL
- SR 40/Downtown Ocala Concept Development Plan, Ocala, FL
- US 92 Corridor Master Management Plan, Daytona Beach, FL
- SR 434/Alafaya Trail Corridor Planning Study, Orlando, FL

**Powers Design Architects, Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida**

*Director of Land Planning (October 2003-August 2008)*

Responsibilities included architectural and land use planning project management, research and analysis of best practices, highest and best use analysis, parcel sizing, proforma preparation, site evaluation, site identification, conceptual design, master site development planning, zoning entitlement representation, community engagement, and illustrative graphics for private sector commercial, residential, entertainment, recreational and mixed-use development projects. Example master site development projects include:

- Seminole Shoppes, Neptune Beach, FL
- Grand Woods, Palm Coast, FL

- Palm Coast Town Center, Palm Coast, FL
- White River Oak Master Site Plan, Camden County, GA
- Steamboat Commerce Park, Brunswick, GA
- Oakleaf Commons, Clay County, FL
- Dolphin Reef, Jacksonville, FL
- The Villages of Johns Creek, St. Johns County, FL

**SCMH Architects, Lakeland, Florida**

*Graduate Architect (April 2001-October 2003)*

Responsibilities included shop drawing review, schematic design, AutoCAD construction documents and scale model production for educational, civic, industrial, commercial and religious projects.

- Lake Mirror Park/Historic Magnolia Building Restoration, Lakeland, FL
- Cleveland Heights Animal Hospital, Lakeland, FL

**Education:**

**Bachelor of Architecture**

Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University,  
Tallahassee, FL  
April 2001

**Professional  
Affiliations:**

American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP), #026224  
American Planning Association (APA)  
APA Florida First Coast Section Chair 2017-Present  
APA Florida First Coast Section Board Member 2012-Present  
Clearly Jacksonville Board Member 2012-Present  
Florida Trust for Historic Preservation Board of Trustees 2017-Present  
Groundwork Jacksonville Board Member 2019-Present  
Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Committee Board Member - Mayoral Appointee 2014-2018  
Jacksonville Historic Society Board Member 2011-2014  
Next City 2013 Vanguard Class Member  
Mayor Alvin Brown Transportation Transition Team Member 2011  
Springfield Area Merchants & Business Association Vice President 2008-2009

**Specializations:**

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| • Adobe Acrobat DC           | • Illustrative Graphics               |
| • Adobe Indesign             | • Land Use Analysis                   |
| • Adobe Photoshop            | • Land Development Codes              |
| • African American Genealogy | • Master Planning                     |
| • ArcGIS 10.5                | • Microsoft Office Applications       |
| • AutoCAD 2020               | • Neighborhood Revitalization         |
| • Community Engagement       | • Proposal Writing                    |
| • Comprehensive Planning     | • Best Practice Research and Analysis |
| • Cultural Resources         | • Scope of Services Writing           |
| • Development Regulations    | • Site Plan Development               |
| • Digital Photography        | • Transportation Planning             |
| • Equitable planning         | • Trimble Sketchup                    |
| • Growth Management          | • Urban and Regional Planning         |
| • Historic Preservation      |                                       |

**Accomplishments:**

- Alfred Benesch & Company 2018 Emerging Leaders Program
- City of Jacksonville Southeast Visioning Committee Member
- Hogans Creek Greenway Task Force Member
- Florida Times-Union Editorial Board - Citizen's Member 2017-2018
- JAX 2025 Steering Committee Member

- JTA Commuter Rail Citizen's Advisory Committee Member
- MetroJacksonville.com (co-founder)
- ModernCities.com (co-founder)
- North Florida TPO 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Stakeholder
- North Florida TPO 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Stakeholder
- 2006 Downtown Jacksonville Action Plan Committee Member
- TheJaxsonMag.com (co-founder)
- TransForm Jax 5019(c)(3) urban advocacy group (co-founder)
- Author of Reclaiming Jacksonville (The History Press - 2012)
- Author of Cohen Brothers: The Big Store (The History Press - 2012)
- Author of Images of Modern America: Jacksonville (Arcadia Publishing - 2015)

#### **Recognition & Awards**

- 2030 Mobility Plan - 2010 FPZA Outstanding Public Study Award
- 2030 Mobility Plan - 2011 APA Florida Project Award
- Jax Truckies – 2013 Folio Weekly's Best of Jax Local Trend Award
- MetroJacksonville.com – 2008 First Coast APA Excellence in Media Award
- MetroJacksonville.com – 2009 APA Florida Public Group of the Year Award
- MetroJacksonville.com – 2010 Jacksonville Historic Commission Heritage Education & Publication Award
- MetroJacksonville.com – 2010 Folio Weekly's Best of Jax Best Political Blog Award
- MetroJacksonville.com - 2016 FPZA Outstanding Journalism Award
- Reclaiming Jacksonville – 2012 Jacksonville Historic Commission Heritage Education & Publication Award

#### **Planning Websites & Community Blogs**

- The Jaxson Magazine (Partnership with WJCT Media) – [www.thejaxsonmag.com](http://www.thejaxsonmag.com)
- Modern Cities, LLC. – [www.moderncities.com](http://www.moderncities.com)

#### **Speaking Engagements:**

- Jax Chamber Downtown Council, *Maximizing Downtown Redevelopment*, August 2019
- ULI North Florida, *Springfield Neighborhood Development Tour*, April 2019
- MOSH After Dark, *Jacksonville's Early 20th Century Blues and Jazz History*, April 2019
- The Jaxson / WJCT, *Mobility and Jacksonville's Changing Demographics*, January 2019
- Rail\*volution Pittsburgh, *Placemaking & Gentrification - It's Complicated Panelist*, October 2018
- Jacksonville Public Library, *Bold New City Panelist*, October 2018
- Florida Trust for Historic Preservation, *Opening Session*, May 2018
- Florida Times-Union/University of North Florida, *African-American Neighborhood Bus Tour*, January 2018
- Jacksonville Public Library, *Maps & City Planning Panelist*, January 2018
- Florida American Planning Association, *Social Media & Ethics Panelist*, September 2017
- USGBC North Florida 20-40 Talks, *Metro Jacksonville Advocating for a Sustainable Jacksonville*, August 2017
- Leadership Jacksonville, *History of Jacksonville*, August 2017
- TEDxJacksonville, *Truth or Consequences: Why The Media Still Matters*, May 2017
- International Decade for People of African Descent Young Leaders Conference, *African-American History That You Probably Didn't Already Know*, February 2016
- Florida Planning and Zoning Association, *Public Engagement in The Information Age*, June 2014
- Murray Hill Preservation Society, *The Past, Present & Future of Murray Hill*, September 2013
- Florida American Planning Association, *Return of Planners as Advocates*, September 2012

#### **Volunteer Activities:**

APA Community Planning Assistant Team Lead, Wharton, TX  
Future Cities Program, Planning Mentor, Lee High School, Jacksonville, FL

2018-2019  
2013-2014