



## Citizens Advisory

**Committee Meeting** 

March 31, 2021 5:00 pm TCC Center for Innovation

### Chair: Jim McShane

Agenda

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### I. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

### II. CITIZEN COMMENTS

**In Person:** Citizens desiring to speak must fill out a Speaker Request Form. The Chair reserves the right to limit the number of speakers or time allotted to each.

**Written Comments:** Please provide written public comment by emailing <u>Comments@BlueprintIA.org</u> until 5 p.m. on March 30, 2021. All comments received will be part of the record.

**Live Comments Via Zoom:** If you wish to provide comments live during the CAC meeting via Zoom, please register to join at <u>http://bit.ly/BlueprintIA\_CAC\_Meeting</u> by 5 p.m. on March 30, 2021, and Zoom meeting information will be provided to you via email. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes; please address all items of interest within your 3 minutes.

### III. CONSENT

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- Office of Economic Vitality Project Updates
- **Blueprint Project Updates** •
- Status Update on the Northeast Gateway Project •

#### VI **PUBLIC HEARING – 5:30 PM**

3. First Public Hearing to Consider a Substantial Amendment to the Northeast Park Project

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#### VII. **ADJOURN**

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## Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee Agenda Item #1

### March 31, 2021

Title:	Approval of the February 4, 2021 Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Category:	Consent
Intergovernmental Management Committee:	Vincent S. Long, Leon County Administrator Reese Goad, City of Tallahassee Manager
Lead Staff / Project Team:	Benjamin H. Pingree, Director, Department of PLACE Autumn Calder, Director, Blueprint Cristina Paredes, Director, Office of Economic Vitality

## **STATEMENT OF ISSUE:**

This agenda item presents the summary meeting minutes of the February 4, 2021 Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting and requests the CAC review and approval of the minutes as presented.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

This item does not have a fiscal impact.

### CAC OPTIONS:

- Option 1: Approve the February 4, 2021 Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee meeting minutes.
- Option 2: Do not approve the February 4, 2021 Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee meeting minutes.

### CAC RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Approve the February 4, 2021 Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee meeting minutes.

#### <u>Attachment:</u>

1. Draft Minutes of the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting on February 4, 2021.

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## Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date:	March 31, 2021
То:	Citizens Advisory Committee
From:	Benjamin H. Pingree, PLACE Director
Subject:	Summary Minutes for February 4, 2021 CAC Meeting

#### **Committee Members present:**

Elva Peppers
Allen Stucks
Robert Volpe*
Mandi Bianchi*
Sean McGlynn

\*virtual participant

### Committee Members absent:

Kathy Bell	Daniel Petronio
Linda Vaughn	Hugh Tomlinson

### INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY

### I. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no agenda modifications.

#### II. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency offered three alternatives for citizen comment, by email, through virtual participation, or in person. There were no comments received by email, no speakers in person or registered via Zoom.

#### III. CONSENT

# ACTION TAKEN: Allen Stucks moved, seconded by Mary Glowacki, the modified consent agenda. <u>The motion passed 8-0.</u>

1. Approval of the November 19, 2020, Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Option #1: Approve the November 19, 2020, Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee meeting minutes.** 

2. Recommendation of Acceptance of the Status Update on Blueprint Infrastructure Projects

### Option #1: Recommend that the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors accept the February 2021 update on Blueprint Infrastructure projects.

3. Recommendation of Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Leon County Research and Development Authority on the \$2.5 million Matching Funds for the North Florida Innovation Labs which leveraged \$10.7 Million from the U.S. Economic Development Administration

#### Option #1: Recommend the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors' Approval to Execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the Leon County Research and Development Authority for the North Florida Incubator Matching Funds.

### IV. GENERAL BUSINESS

4. Approval of the Adjusted 2021 Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule

Megan Doherty provided a brief overview of the proposed revised 2021, Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting schedule agenda item including the cost saving benefits of aligning the Blueprint Infrastructure and Office of Economic Vitality (OEV) committee meetings to maximize the services of Mega Ace Media for audio/visual support. The remaining meetings would shift to the identified Wednesdays, 5:00-7:00 pm.

### Allen Stucks moved, seconded by Peter Okonkwo, to recommend approval of the adjusted 2021 Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule.

### The motion passed 8-0.

5. Recommendation of Acceptance of a Status Update on the Bike Route System Implementation Process and Authorization to Procure Downtown-University Protected Bike Lane Project Design and Construction Services.

Mike Alfano provided a brief overview of the Bike Route System implementation process including procedural history, economic impacts of outdoor recreation for local communities, proposed annual work program for IA Board approval, and a facilities gap analysis between existing and planned facilities plus opportunities for additional connections. Blueprint would seek authorization from the Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors at the February 18, 2021, meeting to procure design and construction services for the Downtown-University Protected Bike Lane project. This project would provide permanent protected bike lane structures, increase safety along Pensacola and St. Augustine Streets, and provide additional connectivity with the recently constructed residential and retail development in College Town. Construction would coordinate with City of Tallahassee roadwork, planned for late 2021 or early 2022.

Jim McShane questioned the equity and inclusivity for the project. Mike Alfano stated the prioritization of the Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP) was set by the Capital

Regional Transportation Planning Agency, not Blueprint. However, equity was a distinct evaluation criteria for Blueprint funded projects. Staff would ensure that those who most rely on alternative transportation would receive the public investments.

Allen Stucks questioned if there were existing sidewalks in the project area. Mike Alfano stated that it was possible that sidewalks existed in areas where the BPMP called for additional connectivity. It would be another criterion in the in the prioritization process by the IA Board.

Sean McGlynn acknowledged the connection for university students and questioned if the plan included options for improved connectivity to K-12 schools. Mike Alfano noted that Leon County implemented the Safe Routes to Schools program to address that. He stated that the facilities gap analysis would also address further connectivity needs.

Allen Stucks questioned if motorized vehicles would use the protected bike lanes. Mike Alfano stated that local ordinance and state law allowed motorized scooters to use bike lanes.

Mary Glowacki moved, seconded by Claudette Cromartie, to recommend that the IA Board accept the status report on the Bike Route System implementation process.

#### The motion passed 8-0.

6. Recommendation of Approval of the Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 Skateable Art Design Plan

Autumn Calder provided a brief overview of the Skateable Art Design Plan for the newest amenity to Capital Cascades Trail, including clarifying the location (west of Railroad Square at the intersection of FAMU Way and Pinellas Streets), the original concept, approved by the IA Board in 2016, project challenges, and highlighted the work of the selected design-build firm, Team Pain Enterprises. Community outreach, which began in 2018, included direct outreach to neighbors and businesses, community survey and two virtual meetings. Which produced some of the highest attended public meeting with approximately 150-regional participants.

Regarding the design plan, Autumn Calder stated that the world-class skate park would enhance local skating opportunities, compliment the surrounding landscape, and serve as a landmark representing recreation, creativity, and innovation in Tallahassee-Leon County. The park design was inspired by FAMU and the history and innovation of the area. The 500-foot linear park would include the longest "Rattler" snake-run in Florida, stretching 225-feet, create a local recreation asset and attract global competition level users. Blueprint anticipated breaking ground late spring 2021, with construction completed in the fall.

Allen Stucks questioned security at the restroom facility. Autumn Calder stated that the restroom facility, located near the FAMU Way playground, was operated and maintained by City Parks and Recreation. They requested that the doors include automatic locking mechanisms which would be locked at night. Mr. Stucks asked Blueprint Citizens Advisory Committee February 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes Page 4 of 6

> about safety signage. Ms. Calder stated that it would include a blue-light call station and signs at the stormwater facility. The park would be designed in a way that skaters exiting the park would not conflict with trail users. Mr. Stucks questioned if cyclists and motor scooters could access the park. Ms. Calder state that it was a possibility. Mr. Stucks suggested that additional safety signs be included to address that and mitigate potential problems.

> Mary Glowacki asked about liability issues and how it was considered. Autumn Calder stated that the City of Tallahassee operated Blankenship Park, also a skate park at the Messer Field area and would likewise operate Capital Cascades Trail Skate Park. There was additional discussion however, it was unintelligible on the recording because the speakers turned to face each other, not the microphones.

Claudette Cromartie suggested the development of a skating class through Parks and Recreation to enhance the safety for local children and a deterrent to juvenile crime. She strongly encouraged including the educational component and that the opportunity to learn was given to everyone.

Allen Stucks questioned staffing and lighting at the skate park. Autumn Calder stated it would be owned and operated by City Parks and Recreation and like Cascades Park, the skate park would be lit at night for public use. It would be managed and maintained but not staffed.

Sean McGlynn stated that it was a unique use for an odd space and would be an incredible asset to Tallahassee parks.

Allen Stucks moved, seconded by Sean McGlynn, to recommend IA Board approval of the Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 Skateable Art design plan.

The motion passed 8-0.

#### V. PRESENTATION / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

• Office of Economic Vitality Project Updates

Drew Dietrich provided a brief overview of the business development activities for OEV including the five-year strategic plan review by VisionFirst Consultants, five-year accomplishments including the generation of over \$300 million in economic impact to the local economy, ten active recruitment and four capital projects, and the continued collaborate with the ecosystem partners of diverse stakeholders in Tallahassee-Leon County.

Richard Fetchick provided a brief overview of the data and analytics for OEV including awards received for the Quarterly Economic Driver and Data Driver publications, year over year employment and sales tax data, small business loans, and new utility business starts all of which indicated green sprouts of a growth in the pandemic economy. A copy of the presentation is on file at Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency.

Allen Stucks noted that in the November 19, 2020, request for information on pandemic related business closures and data for new business startups. Jim McShane stated that he recalled the request and knew the challenges in finding that data. Richard Fetchick stated that local business were not required to register or pay a registration tax, therefore, the numbers available were for business assisted not closures. In that regard, 561 businesses received a COVID-19 Economic Disaster Relief Grant (CEDR) and 932 businesses received a LeonCARES Grant for a total greater than \$19 million; \$4 million of which went to minority and women owned businesses.

Jim McShane stated that Tallahassee-Leon County lost approximately 12,000 people from the job market through 2020, most of whom were women; a trending statistic nationwide. He further stated that many businesses did not notify local or state government when closing. Without local registration or licensure that information was often discovered months or years later when the business no longer renews state registrations.

Richard Fetchick stated that a further resource available to OEV staff was the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Business Transfer Protocol, however, that information typically lagged by two to four quarters. Given that, he anticipated the data would be available late 2021 or early 2022. Mr. Fetchick spoke to the business impacts of the pandemic and stated that it was OEV's experience that local business relief helped keep businesses open.

• Blueprint Project Updates

Dan Scheer provided a brief overview on the Blueprint Infrastructure program updates including eight projects moving into construction in 2021 including Magnolia Phases 1 and 4, Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 ponds and amenities, Capital Circle Southwest, and Debbie Lightsey Nature Trail. He further stated that the Bannerman Road draft typical sections incorporated micro-mobility lanes (golf carts, electric bikes, etc.) as requested by residents.

Autumn Calder proved a brief overview of upcoming Blueprint's Community Engagement activities for February and March 2021 on Orange/Meridian Park, Welaunee Boulevard, Market District, Bannerman Road, and Lake Jackson Greenways. Events would run for one week and were either outdoors for inperson events or virtual.

Autumn Calder stated that at the December 10, 2020, IA Board meeting, the IA Board directed staff to bring back and agenda item with options for advance funding the Northeast Park, currently scheduled for 2035. Additionally, the IA Board suggested relocating the Northeast Park to Centerville Road, near Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools. This change would require a substantial amendment to the Blueprint project description, approved by the voters in 2014. There was no requested action from the CAC at that time, however, if the substantial amendment were to be initiated at the February 18, 2021, IA Board meeting, the first of two public hearings could be at the March 31, 2021, CAC meeting. Allen Stucks requested that a hardcopy of the presentation be provided at the table for CAC members. He also acknowledged the improvements to sound quality due to the efforts of Mega Ace Media.

### VI. ADJOURN

Allen Stucks moved, seconded by Claudette Cromartie, to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:51 pm.

## Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee Agenda Item #2

### March 31, 2021

Title:	Recommendation of Acceptance of the Blueprint Infrastructure Projects Update
Category:	Consent
Intergovernmental Management Committee:	Vincent S. Long, Leon County Administrator Reese Goad, City of Tallahassee Manager
Lead Staff / Project Team:	Benjamin H. Pingree, Director, Department of PLACE Autumn Calder, Director, Blueprint Daniel Scheer, Design and Construction Manager, Blueprint

# **STATEMENT OF ISSUE:**

This agenda item seeks a recommendation of acceptance by the Citizens Advisory Committee's (CAC) to the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors for the update on Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency (Blueprint) infrastructure projects.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

This item does not have a fiscal impact.

## **CAC OPTIONS:**

- Option 1: Recommend that the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors accept the April 2021 update on Blueprint Infrastructure projects.
- **Option 2: CAC Direction.**

## **CAC RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Option 1: Recommend that the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors accept the April 2021 update on Blueprint Infrastructure projects.

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## Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors

### Agenda Item #3

### April 8, 2021

Title:	Acceptance of the Status Update on Blueprint Infrastructure Projects
Category:	General Business
Intergovernmental Management Committee	Vincent S. Long, Leon County Administrator Reese Goad, City of Tallahassee Manager
Lead Staff / Project Team:	Benjamin H. Pingree, <mark>Director</mark> , Department of PLACE Autumn Calder, Director, Blueprint Daniel Scheer, Design and Construction Manager, Blueprint

## STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

This agenda item seeks Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board (IA Board) acceptance of the status update on Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency (Blueprint) infrastructure projects. Attachment #1 includes a five-year project-phasing schedule that details active Blueprint 2000 and 2020 projects. Attachment #2 is a community engagement calendar for February and March 2021 and planned activities for April and May 2021.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This item does not have a fiscal impact.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Option 1: Accept the April 2021 Status Update on Blueprint Infrastructure Projects.

### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:**

### **BLUEPRINT PROGRAM PROCUREMENT**

The Blueprint Infrastructure team continues to implement the IA Board direction for project priority and community enhancement. The staff is pursuing multiple IA Board approved procurements and project implementation strategies that allow for rapid Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Director's Meeting, April 8, 2021 Item Title: Acceptance of the Status Update on Blueprint Infrastructure Projects Page 2 of 17

project development of the Capital Improvement Plan. Eight capital improvement projects are scheduled for construction in 2021. Fourteen current capital improvement projects directly invest in the "Southern Strategy Area" (SSA). Ten different consulting/construction firms have Prime Consultant roles with Blueprint, included on those teams are numerous local and MWSBE qualified firms that are also participating on the contracts. Of note, the MWSBE policies that went into effect on April 1, 2020 have been incorporated into all Blueprint procurements, and staff is actively looking for ways to meet or exceed the participation targets.

Staff is continuing to advance the following contracts:

- Van Buren Street Improvements (Construction 2021) (SSA)
- Capital Cascade Trail Segment 3D (Construction 2021) (SSA)
- Coal Chute Pond Improvements (Construction 2021) (SSA)
- Magnolia Trail Phases 1 and 4 (Leon County) (Construction 2021) (SSA)
- Skateable Art on Cascades Trail (Design-Build Construction 2021) (SSA)
- · CCSW Greenway (Professional Services) (SSA)
- Cascade Park Upper Pond Treatment (Professional Services)
- Lake Jackson and Lake Jackson South Greenways (Professional Services)
- Orange/Meridian Placemaking (Professional Services) (SSA)
- Market District (Professional Services)
- History and Culture Trail FAMU Way (Professional Services) (SSA)
- NE Gateway (Professional Services)
- NE Connector Corridor (Professional Services)
- Airport Gateway (Professional Services) (SSA)
- Fairgrounds Market Study (Professional Services) (SSA)
- Capital Cascade Trail Segment 4 (Professional Services) (SSA)

Staff is in active procurement on the following contracts:

- FAMU Way Restroom facility (Construction) (SSA)
- CCSW Widening Orange to Springhill Road project managed by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) (Construction) (SSA)

Staff anticipates procuring the following contracts within the next 8 months:

- Monroe-Adams Placemaking Planning and Concept (Professional Services) (SSA)
- Lake Lafayette and St. Marks Linear Park (Professional Services)
- Midtown Placemaking Project (Professional Services)
- Market District Final Park Design (Professional Services)

\* SSA denotes Southern Strategy Area projects that provide public infrastructure to support housing and economic development.

In addition to the above projects, at the December 12, 2019 the IA Board authorized staff to pursue Continuing Services Agreements in support of the Blueprint capital

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improvement plan. Staff is currently finalizing the contracts for 16 unique individual professional services firms are being contracted in the following categories: Architectural and Engineering Services, Construction Services, and Geotechnical, Survey, and Real Estate Services.

### PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR RECENTLY COMPLETED

SUMMARY:

Project:	Details:	Budget:	Est. Construction Year:		
Magnolia Drive Multiuse Trail – Phase 1 and 4	New trail amenities along Magnolia Drive.	\$6.3 M	2021		
Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 – Coal Chute	New community gathering space and trail at the existing Coal Chute Pond along FAMU- Way.	\$1.4 M	2021		
Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 – Van Buren	New parking facilities and aesthetic enhancements at the entrance to Anita Favors Plaza.	\$550 K	2021		
Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 – Restroom	New family-style restroom facility at the existing playground along FAMU-Way.	\$300 K	2021		
Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 – Skateable Art	New park-like skate facility at Coal Chute Pond along FAMU- Way.	\$1.2 M	2022		
Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 – 3D-B	New St. Marks trailhead and amenities, community gathering space, and stormwater treatment facility along FAMU-Way.	NTAL AGEI \$5.8 M	N CY 2021		
Total		\$15.5M			

#### Magnolia Drive Multiuse Trail - Phase 1 and 4

This project extends from South Adams Street to Apalachee Parkway; it is divided into 6 phases, with Phase 1, from S. Meridian Street to Pontiac Drive and Phase 6, between Adams Street and Monroe Street, completed in February 2017. Following completion of Phase 1, the IA Board requested Blueprint evaluate opportunities to add a buffer between the trail and roadway. This redesign of the trail was approved at the December 13, 2017 meeting. At this same meeting, the IA Board directed Blueprint to evaluate opportunities to relocate the existing overhead electric utilities underground along this corridor in coordination with construction of the trail project. Based on direction from the IA Board at the March 1, 2018, meeting, the design of the Magnolia Drive Trail now incorporates a landscaped buffer between the trail and roadway and underground electric utilities. At that same meeting, the IA Board approved an additional \$2,476,700 to fund the redesign and underground of electric utilities from Chowkeebin Nene and S. Monroe Street.

Design and permitting for two phases, Phase 1 Retrofit and Phase 4, have been completed and the construction contract, managed by Leon County, is currently out for bids. The bid opening for construction will occur on April 21, 2021 and construction is expected to begin in June 2021. Working with Leon County staff, Blueprint will manage the public involvement for the construction.

Regarding the remaining components of the Magnolia Drive Trail project, design work is complete for Phase 2 (Pontiac Drive to Circle Drive) and design work is at 90% complete for Phase 3 (Circle Drive to Apalachee Parkway) while the team awaits final right-of-way determinations. Following construction of Phase 1 and Phase 4 in the spring of 2022, staff anticipates construction for Phase 2 and Phase 3 will follow in the summer of 2022 based on available budget. As detailed at the July 9, 2020 Budget Workshop, additional funding beyond the proposed FY 2021 allocation will be required to complete this project consistent with IA Board direction to underground utilities from Chowkeebin Nene to Monroe Street. Staff will prepare a budget analysis for the project for IA Board review and direction at the FY 2022 Budget Workshop scheduled for May 27, 2021.

### Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3

At the February 29, 2016 meeting, the IA Board approved the Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 Project (CCT3) Concept Plan from Pinellas St. to the Central Drainage Ditch as well as implementation coordination with the City's FAMU Way project. On September 12, 2016, the Board approved a project budget of \$20.5M for design, construction, and right-of-way acquisition for the pond, the multi-use trail, trail amenities, and the underground box culverts from Pinellas Street to the Central Drainage Ditch (CDD) along Lake Bradford Road. The amenities will align with the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) and create natural surveillance by promoting activities and attracting people in such a way as to maximize visibility and foster positive social interaction at the site. The following are updates on key project components.

- Coal Chute Pond: Blueprint has issued a construction contract to Allen's Excavation for the enhanced amenities along FAMU Way, including the Coal Chute Pond area. The amenities in this area were refined through a public involvement process conducted in spring 2019, with Florida A&M University, Florida State University, and surrounding neighborhoods and businesses whereby over 300 citizens submitted their amenities preferences. Additionally, in fall 2018, the 880 Cities, Public Spaces to Great Places week of activities included a citizen idea session on the Coal Chute Pond space. This area also includes musical instruments associated with the KCCI Red Hills Rhythm project. Negotiations facilitated by the Florida Department of Transportation with Gulf-Atlantic Railroad regarding reopening a railroad crossing at Cleveland Street/Seaboard Street are nearing completion. This will allow for a safe connection to and from the College Town District and Coal Chute Pond.
- Van Buren Street Improvements: This project creates a new space for the community and an attractive entrance to the Anita Favors Plaza area by combining additional parking opportunities, enhanced aesthetic landscaping, and subterranean utilities in the project area. Procurement has finalized the bids for

the parking and landscape improvements along Van Buren Street and has awarded a construction contract to North Florida Asphalt. Construction is anticipated to be completed by the end of summer. The project includes the undergrounding of electric service in the immediate project area.

- Restroom: The new restroom facility at the FAMU Way playground is permitted and procurement has finalized the bids to award construction to Oliver-Sperry Construction. The final plans as presented at the July 9, 2020 IA Board meeting includes a "green" roof, two family style restrooms with adult and baby changing tables, a cistern to capture rainwater, and a water fountain with bottle filling station. The project has been coordinated with the City of Tallahassee Parks and Recreation Department and the City Beautification Department. This facility is in response to community input that expressed the need for a restroom facility near the playground. This new facility will also serve the nearby Skateable Art and Coal Chute amenities that will be constructed in the immediate area. Innovative stormwater treatment facilities are part of the concept plan for this project through the implementation of a 'green roof' and cistern system that will treat the stormwater at the facility and use the runoff stormwater to irrigate the 'green roof' system for sustainability purposes.
- Skateable Art: TEAM Pain Inc. was selected as the design-build team for the Skateable Art amenity. The contract is fully executed and notice to proceed was issued on September 1, 2020, the project will take approximately 12 months to design and construct, with the grand opening anticipated for late summer 2021.On February 18, 2021 the IA Board approved the concept for the project which is currently nearing final design.
- Pond 3D-B Regional Stormwater Facility (RSF) and St. Marks Trailhead The City has awarded a construction contract to Allen's Excavation for FAMU Way Phase 3, which includes the CCT Segment 3 RSF near Lake Bradford Road and the St. Marks Trailhead. Notice to Proceed for construction was issued for the FAMU Way Phase 3 elements of the project on August 19, 2019. In addition to the initial \$500,000 Springs Restoration Grant from FDEP for the project's innovative stormwater treatment methods, the project was notified on March 19, 2021 that it was also awarded an additional \$235,000 Non-Point Source Water-Quality Assistance Grant. Modeling for the RSF is finalized and the project team has received the final permits from the City of Tallahassee and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). Notice to proceed for the RSF and trailhead is anticipated for April 7, 2021. The updated RSF plans have been coordinated with the City of Tallahassee and Allen's Excavation for a final price. Innovative stormwater treatment facilities are part of the plans for this project by utilizing a Bio-sorption Activated Media (BAM) filter and a 'Flex-Rake' trash removal system.

### **PROJECTS UNDER DESIGN & RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION**

### SUMMARY:

Project:	Details:	Budget:	Est. Construction Year:		
Cascades Trail Segment 3 – History and Culture Trail (HCT)	New cultural amenities along FAMU Way and Capital Cascade Trail.	\$942 k	2022		
The Lake Jackson and Lake Jackson South Greenways	New multi-modal connectivity between Lake Ella and the Lake Jackson Mounds State Park.	\$800 k	2022		
Market District Planning and Park Programming	New pedestrian safety improvements and community park element in the Market District Area.	\$2.5 M	2022		
Capital Circle Southwest Greenway and Debbie Lightsey Nature Park	New nature park and trail system in the area around Capital Circle SW.	\$3.1 M	2021		
Orange/Meridian Placemaking	Stormwater facility improvements and a new park element.	\$3.0 M	2022		
Capital Circle Southwest (Springhill Road to Orange Avenue) (FDOT)	Widening and facility improvements of CCSW and multi-modal pedestrian trail amenities.	\$58.25 M	2021		
NE Connector Corridor – N Bannerman Road	Widening and facility improvements including multi-modal pedestrian trail amenities along Bannerman Road.	S52.1 M	NCY <sub>2024</sub>		
Alternative Sewer Solutions Study	Detailed study and report for Leon County on alternatives to traditional on-site septic systems.	\$942 k	N/A		
Total		\$120.7 M			

Cascades Trail Segment 3 – History and Culture Trail (HCT)

The HCT will provide an outdoor interactive immersive museum experience to residents and tourists alike that recognizes and celebrates the communities located along FAMU Way. The History & Culture Trail project team held a kick-off meeting on December 18, 2020. The project team then initiated the research and content gathering phase conducting oral history interviews with area residents and business owners, undertaking extensive historical research, and reviewing historical documentation associated with the trail thematic sections, or subject areas for recognition, along the trail:

- Theme 1: Allen Subdivision
- Theme 2: FAMU History & Civil Rights (includes honoring Dr. Charles U. Smith)

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- Theme 3: Villa Mitchell and Economic Engines
- Theme 4: Boynton Still & Economic Engines
- Theme 5: Railroad Depot

Through interpretive signage and artistic installations, the project will incorporate elements of color, vibrancy, and playfulness to convey the history and heritage of the area. Interpretive kiosks will display images, photographs, and historic information about the neighborhoods, businesses, and people living and working in the area. Public art installations will complement the interpretive kiosks. The Council on Culture and Art (COCA) has been contracted to manage the artist solicitation process and selection of the public art components, with final artist selection to occur through a jury comprised of local artists, HCT Working Group members, and Blueprint staff.

On March 10, 2021, the project citizen led Working Group reconvened for Workshop #1 to discuss the results of the research and content gathering in order to 1) prioritize the primary and secondary narratives, and 2) identify opportunities to collect additional historical documentation. The workshop included the project team, citizen working group, governmental partners, and COCA. The results of the research and content gathering phase is included as Attachment #3, which included presentation of the potential station locations for the interpretive kiosks (Figure 1, below). While gathering oral histories from area residents, a new trail theme emerged - Elberta Crate. The Working Group recommended that Elberta Crate be included as a sixth trail theme and provided the project team with insight on additional visual historical documentation to support the stories identified in the interpretive outline. The Working Group will continue to work with the project team to develop the artistic, historical, and cultural interpretations, and assist in the concept and content development for the interpretations.

Figure 1. Potential HCT Interpretive Kiosk Locations



Following Workshop #1 the project is entering preliminary design. This effort will include determination of the exact station locations for the interpretive kiosks and artistic elements, develop pre-writes and diagrammatic sketches for each station location, and use this information to develop the HCT preliminary plan. In parallel, the COCA led call for artist prospectus will continue to be developed. The following list identifies the key steps for the HCT project (Citizen Working Group meets throughout):

- April 8, 2021: IA Board Meeting, status update including results from research and content gathering (included herein)
- May 27, 2021: IA Board Meeting, status update including draft HCT preliminary design
- May 28 through June 3, 2021: Community Engagement for feedback on draft HCT preliminary design
- July 15, 2021: IA Board Meeting, HCT preliminary design and COCA call for artist prospectus presented to IA Board for approval and project moves into design and permitting
- August, 2021: COCA releases Call for Artist Prospectus
- September 23, 2021: IA Board Meeting, status update including 30% HCT design
- October, 2021: Community Engagement for feedback on 30% HCT design
- December 9, 2021: IA Board Meeting, HCT final design and Jury recommendation from Call for Artist Prospectus presented to IA Board for approval and authorization to move into construction

### The Lake Jackson and Lake Jackson South Greenways

The Lake Jackson and Lake Jackson South Greenways projects, combined into one project for implementation, is in design. The design is anticipated to be complete in early 2022. This project will create a connection from Lake Jackson Mounds State Park to Lake Ella at Fred O. Drake Park in Midtown Tallahassee. The Lake Jackson greenway projects were conceptualized in the 2015 Greenways Master Plan (GWMP). The planning-level estimates were provided for the Lake Jackson Greenway (\$109,200) and Lake Jackson South Greenway (\$812,100) projects, for a total planning-level estimate of \$921,300. This estimate from the GWMP does not reflect the possible inclusion of additional amenities such as boardwalks or wayfinding signage, nor does it include alterations or additions to the trail route to provide a more scenic experience.

The project design started in June 2020 and the project team has completed the survey for the portion of the project within City limits, south of I-10, along with preliminary environmental assessments for the entire corridor. A feasibility study for considering the inclusion of additional trail connections was conducted in the fall of 2020. Additionally, coordination with agency partners such as FDEP Aquatic Preserves, which supports Lake Jackson, and FDEP State Parks, which supports Lake Jackson Mounds Archaeological State Park and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), the Northwest Florida Water Management District (NWFWMD) continues. The recommended trail route and proposed trail amenities were presented to the public during the initial public engagement sessions the week of March 11, 2021. The community engagement activities were held seek feedback and input on the project. A summary of the public engagement is included as Attachment #4.

### Market District Planning and Park Programming

The Market District Placemaking project has an overall estimated budget of \$11 million with full funding planned through FY 2023. The project includes a new park along Maclay Boulevard and Maclay Commerce Drive, construction of portions of the Timberlane Greenway, and improved pedestrian connectivity in and around the Market District.

The first phase of the project will design and construct the central park space. Attachment #3 is the preliminary draft park concept. The design team has worked to prepare this preliminary draft concept based on the site conditions, the project budget, and the community feedback that has been collected since project kick-off in summery 2020. The final virtual public engagement on the central area park will take place in April, 2021 following the IA Board meeting. Staff will present for approval the final Market District Park concept with cost estimate to the IA Board at the May 27, 2021 meeting.

Adjacent pedestrian and safety improvements and repurposing of the existing stormwater ponds where the central park will be located are underway by the City of Tallahassee Underground Utilities and Public Infrastructure Department. The pedestrian, intersection improvement, and neighborhood connection project elements are scheduled to begin with planning and design services in 3rd quarter 2021. Construction on these elements are programmed to begin in 2024 taking into account the right of way needs for expanded pedestrian facilities and intersection improvements such as roundabouts.

Innovative stormwater treatment facilities are part of the concept plan for the City's project. The City awarded a contract to DPB and Associates for design and planning services for their project, which includes park-planning services. Blueprint is working with Hargreaves Jones, a sub-consultant for DPB, for the central park planning effort.

Several of the business owners in the Market District are requesting placemaking improvements in the core of the Market District area. These requests were developed through a series of workshops coordinated by Knight Creative Communities Initiative (KCCI) and the Center for Active Design (CfAD). Blueprint staff participated in these workshops and continues to coordinate with KCCI representatives, and other Market District business leaders to gain a deeper understanding of their vision for Market Street.

Depending upon funding availability, the Market Street Visioning Report from CfAD can help inform this next phase of the Blueprint Market District Placemaking project, which includes the pedestrian, safety, and intersection improvements and could include many of the recommendations from the CfAD Report, for example the roundabout and crosswalks. The Blueprint process will include community meetings and technical analysis to further refine the priorities for the Market District area and develop an implementation plan. Updates will be provided to the IA Board throughout and the final plan with cost estimates will be presented for final approval to the IA Board in 2022 with design and construction to follow. Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Director's Meeting, April 8, 2021 Item Title: Acceptance of the Status Update on Blueprint Infrastructure Projects Page 10 of 17

#### Capital Circle Southwest Greenway and Debbie Lightsey Nature Park

Design is underway for the Capital Circle Southwest Greenway, which includes Debbie Lightsey Nature Park, and is expected to be completed in summer 2021. This project will create 6.6 miles of greenways in the areas around the Capital Circle Southwest corridor and will develop a passive park around a 113-acre natural area, complete with bike and hiking trails, and birdwatching overlooks situated on the east side of Capital Circle Southwest, south of Jackson Bluff Road. Design and permitting is scheduled for completion in mid-2021, and advertisement for construction will follow in fall 2021.

### Orange/Meridian Placemaking

The Orange/Meridian Placemaking Project includes enclosing the East Ditch between Meridian Street and Monroe Street, revising the existing Leon County Stormwater facility, and creating a public gathering space with trails and parking on the parcel near the southwest corner of Orange Avenue and Meridian Street. Halff, Inc. is providing design services that include stormwater modeling, community engagement, park design, box-culvert design, and all permitting necessary for the project. Community engagement for this project officially began on February 19, 2021 with a community meeting where participants learned about the project and completed a visual preferences survey. The survey closed on March 22. Ongoing additional outreach efforts include Pop Up events, a social media campaign, and stakeholder focused engagements. Staff anticipates the design will be completed by mid-2022, with the advertisement for construction of the park element in fall 2022. Innovative stormwater treatment facilities are part of the concept plan for this project and more details on the innovation will be provided in the concept plans development phase.

# Capital Circle Southwest (Springhill Road to Orange Avenue)

State funding for right-of-way acquisition and construction is included in the current FDOT Five-Year Work Program and presented below (subject to adjustment with fall FDOT Work Program review):

### Springhill Road to Orange Avenue

- Right-of-Way: Acquisition is complete through partnership with Blueprint
- Construction: Funded in FY 2022 (August 2021), in the amount of \$58,269,442

### Capital Circle Southwest (Crawfordville Road to Springhill Road)

State funding for right-of-way acquisition is included in the current FDOT Five-Year Work Program while construction has been deferred to FY2029 due to Work Program impacts as a result of the COVID pandemic. It is presented below (subject to adjustment with fall FDOT Work Program review):

#### Crawfordville Road to Springhill Road

 Right-of-Way: Acquisition underway through partnership with Blueprint for \$4,907,179 • Construction: Funding DEFERRED by FDOT to FY 2029, in the amount of \$41,379,184

### NE Connector Corridor – Bannerman Road

The contract for planning and design services has been awarded to RS&H. The services include the update to the Leon County 2012, Bannerman Road Corridor Plan, a feasibility study of widening Bannerman Road from Tekesta Drive to Meridian Road, and design and permitting. The IA Board accepted the Traffic Feasibility Study at the September 2020 IA Board meeting, and approved expanding the project to widen Bannerman Road to four lanes from Quail Commons Drive to Preservation Road and construct operational improvements from Preservation Road to Meridian Road. Design and right of way acquisition are planned for completion in 2023, at which time the project will be advertised for construction pending IA Board approval for bond issuance in FY 2022 to support right of way acquisition and construction services. Innovative stormwater treatment facilities are part of the concept plan for this project and more details on the innovation will be provided in the concept plans development phase.

Staff hosted in-person and virtual public engagement sessions for this project in February and March. A pop-up event was conducted at Bannerman Crossing on February 27, 2021 for 4 hours, and virtual public engagements occurred the week of February 28, 2021. The initial project survey launched this winter and closed on March 7 with almost 300 responses, and the results from the survey and pop-up event are included as Attachment #5. The project team is also actively meeting with a Community Focus Group that consists of neighborhood HOA representative, religious worship facility representatives, and business owners on a regular basis. These meetings keep key stakeholders along the Bannerman Road project corridor informed and up to date on project progress.

### Alternative Sewer Solutions Study

Consistent with IA Board direction at the June 13, 2017 meeting, Leon County is managing the first phase of this project: the Comprehensive Wastewater Treatment Facilities Plan (CWTFP). The consultant, Jim Stidham and Associates, is leading the CWTFP, including the public input opportunities. The project began in November 2019 and initial draft reports for the tasks will be brought to the Leon County Board of County Commissioners and the IA Board for review and direction. Innovative treatment facilities are the primary focus of this project and have the potential to produce measurable reductions of nutrients that enter the local waterbodies from onsite septic treatment systems.

The first draft Task 1 Report on Nitrogen Reduction Performance Criteria for Alternative Wastewater Treatment Systems was submitted in March 2020. The revised draft responding to County staff comments was received in April 2020.

The Task 2 Report on Cost-Effectiveness of Alterative Technologies was received in August 2020. The revised Task 2 Report was submitted on November 3, 2020 and is under review by Leon County staff.

The first draft Task 3 Report on Factors Other than Cost-Effectiveness that Influence Selection of Treatment Technologies was received on December 1, 2020 and is under review by Leon County staff.

Tasks remaining to be completed are:

- Task 3 Factors Other Than Cost-Effectiveness Affecting Selection of Alternative Technology
- Task 4 First Round public meetings
- Task 5 Implementation Strategies for Alternative Technologies
- Task 6 Load Reduction Anticipated from Implementation of Alternative Technologies
- Task 7 Second Round public meetings
- Task 8 Presentation to the Board of County Commissioners

County staff have kept the Leon County Water Resources Committee informed on progress at their monthly meetings since July 2020. Next steps include virtual public meetings in March 2021 to gather input on the plan.

### PROJECTS IN PLANNING OR PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Project:						
Northeast Gateway (Welaunee Boulevard)	New regional transportation corridor that includes trail and multi-modal facilities between Centerville Rd & Miccosukee Rd.	L AGE \$47 M	N CY 2023			
Capital Cascades Trail Segment 4	Drainage improvements and a continuation of the Capital Cascade Trail along the Central Drainage Ditch.	\$14.0 M	2023			
Airport Gateway	Roadway and community infrastructure improvements, including pedestrian and multi-modal facilities along the Springhill Rd, Lake Bradford Rd, and Providence neighborhood.	\$58.0 M	2024			
Monroe-Adams Placemaking	Community infrastructure improvements to enhance connectivity and pedestrian safety.	\$7.0 M	2023			
Mid-Town Placemaking	\$3.0 M	2023				

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Lake Lafayette & St. Marks Regional Linear Park and Flood Study	Regional trail network connectivity and proper mapping of the county & city flood maps in the project area.	\$16.6 M	TBD
Fairgrounds Infrastructure and Beautification	<i>hirgrounds</i> <i>frastructure and</i> <i>frastructure and</i> <i>hirgrounds</i> <i>frastructure and</i> <i>frastructure and</i> <i>frastructure and</i> <i>frastructure and</i> <i>frastructure and</i>		Construction Funding included in 2024 Bond
Total		\$145.7 M	

### Northeast Gateway (Welaunee Boulevard)

The Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study for the Northeast Gateway began in November 2018. The tentative project schedule includes completion of the PD&E study in June 2021 upon approval by FDOT. Final design and permitting is scheduled for completion in 2022 and construction completed by 2025. At opening year, this road will provide regional benefits on Centerville Road, Mahan Drive, Miccosukee Road, and Thomasville Road. It will also provide benefits to local roads such as Olson Road, Killarney Way, Kerry Forest Parkway, Shamrock Street, and Raymond Diehl Road. The project team continues to coordinate with key parties. PD&E public engagement session were held on February 24 and 25, 2021 and focused on the operational alternatives with an emphasis on what the public desires for the final condition. The project team has performed multiple engagement activities focused on the communities to the north of the project area, including events at Centerville Conservation Community, Chemonie Crossing, and the historic St. Phillips AME church. In coordination with the City of Tallahassee, innovative stormwater treatment facilities are being incorporated as part of the concept plan for this project and more details on the innovation will be provided in the design phase.

#### Capital Cascades Trail Segment 4

The Capital Cascades Trail (CCT) Segment 4 is the final project in the Capital Cascades Trail, as well as the final Blueprint 2000 project. Segment 4 will continue the trail and stormwater elements of the CCT south along the Central Drainage Ditch with the goal of providing significant stormwater treatment and possible flood control improvements south of Orange Avenue, downstream of the Saint Augustine Branch. This project will also provide greenway linkages to both commercial and residential areas and amenities and multimodal options for south side areas. Procurement for planning and design services for the project is currently ongoing with construction expected to begin in 2023. Innovative stormwater treatment facilities are part of the concept plan for this project and more details on the innovation will be provided in the concept plans development phase.

#### Airport Gateway

The Airport Gateway project creates a beautiful, safety enhanced, and multimodal gateway between Downtown and the Tallahassee International Airport. In addition to coordination with City of Tallahassee and Leon County Government staff, this project includes working with many stakeholders including neighborhoods, Leon County

Research and Development Authority, Leon County Schools, area businesses, the Tallahassee International Airport, FSU, FAMU, and FDOT.

The implementation of this project will be carried out in three phases. <u>Phase one</u> includes planning and pre-engineering for the entire project area and design for the improvements to Springhill Road, the proposed new roadway through FSU property, Stuckey Avenue improvements, and improvements at the intersection of Orange Avenue along with enhancements to the communities along these segments including the playground in Providence. In addition to a robust public engagement plan, Phase one technical analyses include preliminary sociocultural and natural features data review, design guide development, traffic modeling, drainage system study, concept development and local and state agency coordination.

<u>Phase two</u> includes improvements along North Lake Bradford Road and <u>Phase three</u> consists of enhancements to South Lake Bradford Road and improvements at the intersection of Orange Avenue and South Lake Bradford Road. Phase one planning and engineering is anticipated to be completed in 2023, with construction on Phase one anticipated to start in 2024. The design and permitting of Phase two is anticipated to begin in 2025 and of Phase three in 2026.

The project team conducted the project kick-off meeting for Phase 1 services with the consultant team and agency partners. Innovative stormwater treatment facilities are part of the concept plan for this project and more details on the innovation will be provided in the concept plans development phase.

In addition, staff has coordinated with FDOT and the engineer for the Tallahassee International Airport on the possibility of a joint use stormwater pond with the Airport that will meet Blueprint's requirements for Springhill Road improvements, as well as serve FDOT's Capital Circle widening project and potential future Airport needs. The joint use pond discussion with FDOT is being led by the engineer for the Tallahassee International Airport.

#### Monroe-Adams Placemaking

Consistent with IA Board direction provided at the April 15, 2020 meeting, this project will be initiated in FY 2021. The FY 2021 allocation of \$1,500,000 will fund preliminary engineering, design services, and construction for one of the five cross-streets connecting Monroe Street and Adams Street consistent with improvements identified in the Monroe-Adams Placemaking plan. Initial scope and fee negotiations with the consultant for professional planning services for this project are beginning. We anticipate completing the planning phase by the end of 2021.

As a first step for this project, approximately \$84,000 has been committed to a leveraging opportunity with FDOT to be coordinated with its resurfacing project. Blueprint worked with the FDOT, City, and CRTPA to engage in a cost-sharing opportunity to improve the pedestrian crosswalks on South Monroe consistent with the goals of this placemaking project. A Locally Funded Agreement with the FDOT for the crosswalk improvements has been fully executed. The resurfacing and enhanced sidewalks are funded for construction

in FY2021 through an FDOT contract with Peavy and Son Construction and is expected to begin in calendar year 2021.

### Mid-Town Placemaking

Consistent with IA Board direction provided at the December 10, 2020 meeting, this project will be initiated in FY 2021 to effectively leverage the three-year effort to date by the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA), the substantial public engagement in developing the proposed conceptual design, and the costs of the traffic studies and concept development incurred by the CRTPA. Building on the progress to date at this point will ensure that this same work will not have to be re-evaluated in two-three years. The FY 2021 allocation of \$1,000,000 will fund engineering and design services along Thomasville Road from Monroe Street to Seventh Avenue. The estimated construction cost of these improvements, as developed by the CRTPA based on the approved conceptual improvements, is \$4.5 million. This project will create safe, comfortable streets for pedestrians, transit users, and cyclists along the Thomasville Road and Monroe Street corridors.

The proposed procurement builds from the progress made by the CRTPA on the Midtown Transportation Study and will advance the design of improvements on Thomasville Road from Monroe Street to Seventh Avenue. Over the past three years, the CRTPA has conducted numerous traffic studies and developed proposed concepts for streetscaping and safety improvements along the Thomasville Road and Monroe Street corridors. In the last year, the CRTPA has undertaken significant public engagement activities to obtain feedback from FDOT, Leon County residents, Midtown businesses owners, and neighborhoods regarding area improvements. At the October 19, 2020 meeting, the CRTPA approved Phase 2 of the Midtown Transportation Study, which identified a preferred concept for the improvements on Thomasville Road from Monroe Street to Seventh Avenue. This concept was shared with the IA Board as a part of the December 10, 2020 IA Board meeting agenda.

### Lake Lafayette & St. Marks Regional Linear Park and Flood Study

The Blueprint Lake Lafayette and St. Marks Regional Linear Park (LLSMRLP) project will connect 7,200 acres of public recreation lands east of Capital Circle Southeast, including Tom Brown Park, Apalachee Regional Park, Lafayette Heritage Trail, and the J.R. Alford Greenway. This project was first established in the Tallahassee-Leon County Greenways Master Plan before it became an independent Blueprint 2020 project. The project will also provide environmental and flooding studies, as well as ecosystem restoration.

On March 2, 2021, Blueprint staff reached out to Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC), as they manage the L. Kirk Edwards Wildlife and Environmental Area. This Area is included in the LLSMRLP project area and any improvements in the Area will need to be coordinated with FWC. FWC has indicated opposition to the boardwalks that are included in the project description from the Greenways Master Plan.

Consistent with IA Board direction provided at the December 10, 2020 meeting, this project will be initiated in FY 2021. The FY 2021 allocation of \$500,000 will fund a study

for a significant portion of the Lake Lafayette area in order to understand accurately the overall floodplain, which is a key first step in determining accurate flood elevations. Consistent with project goals, the study will also assist in determining the best location for future amenities in the area. The study will project potential updates to existing flood elevations, which are currently based on observed data dating from 1948. The flood study will include preliminary updates to the 25, 50, and 100-year floodplain. Groundwater conditions will also be considered in the study.

Blueprint is exploring an opportunity to leverage Blueprint 2000 funds by working with the Fallschase Developer, RMDC, Inc. The developer has presented a concept to Blueprint staff to advance the design and construction of a portion of the Lake Lafayette Greenway that is located in the conservation easement within the Fallschase Development.

### Fairgrounds Infrastructure and Beautification

At the July 9, 2020 workshop, the IA Board directed Blueprint to fund an updated market study on the Fairgrounds in FY 2021 as well as integrate this project into Blueprint Infrastructure's five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). At the September 17, 2020 meeting, the IA Board approved the FY 2021 - 2025 capital budget, which includes full funding for the Fairgrounds project. At that same meeting, the IA Board authorized procurement activities for an updated market feasibility study for the Fairgrounds site to include an evaluation of relocating the Fairground activities. Consistent with this direction and as authorized by the IA Board, Blueprint has secured a contract for these services through the Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Department Continuing Services Agreement (CSA) for Planning Consultant Services with HDR, Inc. The updated market feasibility study and alternative site analysis will be complete at the end of 2021.

### SUMMARY OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Calendars displaying scheduled March and April 2021 community engagement activities, as well as planned activities for May and June 2021, are included as Attachment #2. Blueprint staff continues to engage the public at record levels despite the challenges presented by COVID-19. Staff is applying innovative alternatives to the traditional public meetings in order to provide information and gather input through digital platforms. The goal is to maintain the public involvement commitment and necessary levels of engagement without adversely affecting the overall project schedule.

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Action by the TCC and CAC: This item was presented to the TCC and CAC at their March 22, 2021 and March 31, 2021 meetings respectively. The TCC had no comments on the Project Updates item.

### **OPTIONS:**

Option 1: Accept the April 2021 Status Update on Blueprint Infrastructure Projects.

Option 2: IA Board direction.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Option 1: Accept the April 2021 Status Update on Blueprint Infrastructure Projects.

Attachments:

- 1. Schedule of Current Blueprint 2000 and 2020 Project Phases and Timelines
- 2. Blueprint Community Engagement Calendar for March, April, May, and June 2021

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3. HCT Research and Content Gathering Presentation

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- 4. Lake Jackson Greenway Public Engagement Summary
- 5. NE Connector Corridor Public Engagement Summary

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### Schedule of Current Blueprint 2000 and 2020 Project Phases and Timelines

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Blueprint Community Engagement Calendar

# **Capital Cascades Trail – History & Culture Trail**

## Interpretive planning and signage

Programming workshop March 10, 2021









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## **Today's meeting**

- 1. Explain parameters that relate to sign content and design
- 2. Discuss typical content requirements and expectations
- 3. Explore other opportunities for storytelling and/or integrations with signage
- 4. Review best practices for audio integration
- 5. Discuss possible narratives and photos for each theme

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- Share and celebrate the rich history and culture of the neighborhoods, businesses, and people living in the areas surrounding the Capital Cascades Trail/ FAMU Way Extension
- 2. Highlight the history of the Tallahassee African-American community who has historically called the Project area home, as well as the significant history of FAMU and the local civil rights movement
- 3. Improve civic engagement, enhance civil discourse, and encourage thoughtful and meaningful dialogue among people regarding the story of the surrounding communities
- 4. Enhance the tolerance, diversity, and understanding of our communal history
- 5. **Add cultural value** by communicating Tallahassee's unique identity, **social value** by engaging opportunities for interaction and self-reflection
- 6. **Conduct extensive community engagement** with members of the neighborhoods located along the project corridor



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# PROCESS Community Engagement & Personal Voices



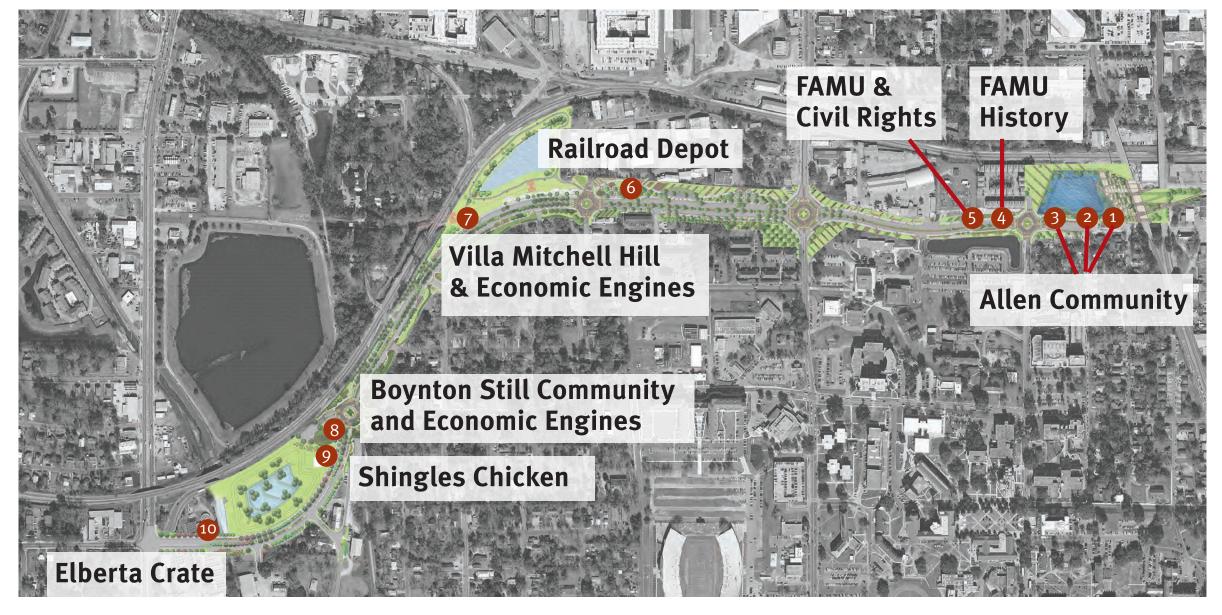
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## **Research status and general comments**

- Stories from the oral histories to be woven into the narratives
- Need to prioritize stories and photos
- More research and photo sourcing is underway





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## **Primary story:**

- What makes Allen Subdivision a distinctive community?
- Development: how, when, why Allen Subdivision was formed: affordable housing for nearby jobs at FAMU.
- Resiliency: from humble beginnings, overcoming discrimination and long-term economic challenges, thriving as a community, segregation bringing them together.

### **Secondary stories**

- 1. It takes a village: church and community values
  - Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church
  - St. Michaels & All Angels Episcopal Church
  - Tightly knit community, everyone looking after
     each other and each other's children: respect.
- 2. Community spirit seen in social/recreational life
- 3. Former U.S. Rep. Carrie Meek

### Comments

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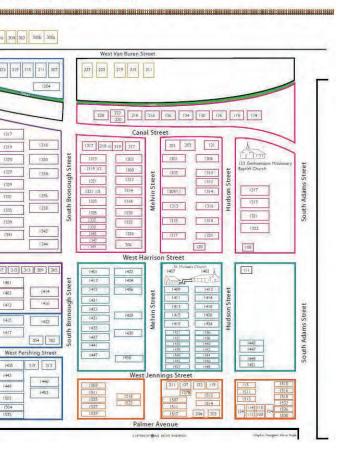
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## **1. Allen Community – "Allenites"**



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## 2. Allen Community – Economic engines

## **Primary story:**

 Thriving Black-owned businesses patronized by neighborhood and FAMU—stores, restaurants, bars/lounges ("juke joints")

### **Secondary stories**

- 1. Domestic jobs, at home businesses, boarding houses (tell here or FAMU/Neighbors)
- 2. Work in local industries
- 3. Careers at FAMU
- 4. Children collected and sold pecans, picked tobacco leaves

#### Comments

• Need more images of local Black-owned businesses; access to Tallahassee Democrat photo archives for Fountainette and others possibly









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# 3. Neighbors and FAMU

## **Primary story:**

- Where town meets gown: a campus for the community
- Allen Subdivision's strong identity/connection with FAMU

## **Secondary stories**

- 1. Education: children living in neighborhoods near campus could be educated at Lucy Moten Elementary, FAMU High School, and FAMU
- 2. Healthcare: FAMU Hospital, a Black hospital (1950-1971)
- 3. Entertainment, recreation, intellectual events: community residents at FAMU athletic games, marching band parades, cultural events, community picnics, Gibbs Park, lectures, etc.

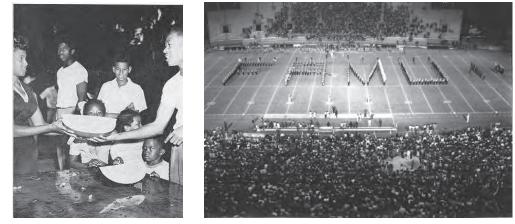








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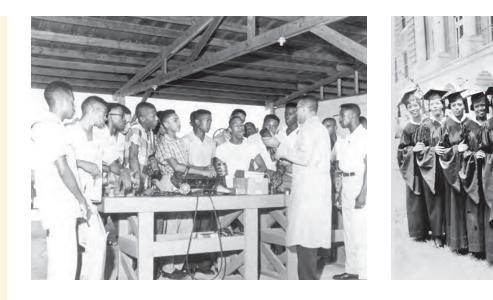
# 4. FAMU

## **Primary story:**

- Prestigious HBCU, making local and national impact
- Why/where founded importance of training African American teachers
- Diverse educational opportunities (vocational and academic)

## **Secondary stories**

- 1. The Marching 100, est. 1946-1947: develops international fame
- 2. Jake Gaither and FAMU football
- 3. Alumni who excelled in politics, athletics, and the arts















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# 5. Civil Rights

### **Primary story:**

- Communities and FAMU join forces in the Civil Rights Movement; Allen a pathway for activists and college students heading to demonstrations
- Charles U. Smith, FAMU professor and Civil Rights activist

## **Secondary stories**

- 1. 1956 Jakes/Patterson arrests and cross burning; Rev. C.K. Steele and Tallahassee Bus Boycott
- 2. 1960-1964 lunch counter protests (Stephens sisters and others) Note: Telegraph letter of support from Martin Luther King, Jr. to Rev. Steele for the eight jailed students.
- 3. 1963-64 Movie theater protests
- 4. 1964 NAACP March to the Capitol
- 5. 1971 Tallahassee Civil Rights March
- 6. Churches for protest organization and refuge Rev. David Brooks

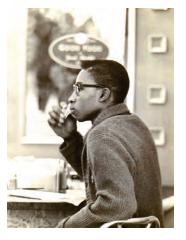












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## 6. Railroad Depot

### **Primary story**

• When/why was the railroad built—supporting the city's economic growth, providing jobs, and stimulating residential development

## **Secondary story**

- 1. Users: legislators, residents, visitors, FAMU students, freight industries, circus
- 2. Tracks delineating neighborhoods (Seaboard)
- 3. Coal Chute (Coalshute) Park

### **Questions/comments**

• Include Railroad Square (space permitting)?



















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# 7. Villa Mitchell Hill

### **Primary story:**

• Community pride and reliance on each other

## **Secondary stories**

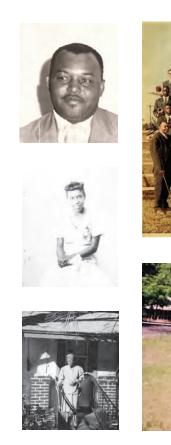
- 1. Laying out streets and lots for villas
- 2. Development into a Black community
- 3. Black-owned businesses and other employment
- 4. Roy Rolle and high school bands
- 5. Rev. Evelyn Corbin influence on the community
- 6. Churches St. Eugene Catholic Parish and Fountain Chapel Church

### **Comments**

- Information and photos still being gathered
- Possibly develop street map with homes, businesses, and churches identified



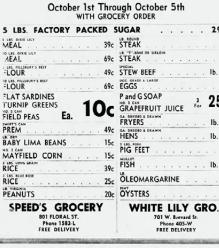










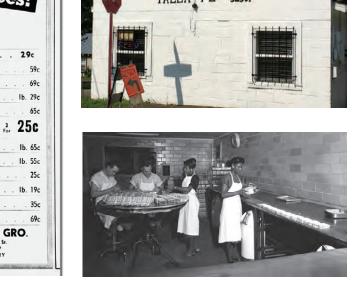


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## 8. Boynton Still

### **Primary story:**

- A tale of two communities: one oriented around the Boynton Turpentine industry; one that developed independent of it.
- The Boynton Brothers, the distillery and the "Quarters"

### **Secondary stories**

- The turpentine industry drawing on Florida's natural resources, creating a product for various uses, industrial hazards
- 2. Other businesses at or near Boynton Still
- 3. Living in Boynton homes and landscape, family life and recreation, community life and stories

Mostly everybody on that street worked at Elberta Crate Factory and when my mom goes out, those people it was like a neighborhood of everybody watched everybody's children. —Ida Smith (Benton interview)









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# **9. Shingles Chicken**

### **Primary story**

• A finger-licking local landmark: broad-based popularity, place for food and hospitality

### **Secondary story**

- 1. Earlier uses of the c.1935 building: part of Boynton Still operation, grocery store in the "Quarters," teen community center
- 2. Henry Shingles and family-run business

### **Questions/comments**

- Several of these photos depend on tracking down the photographer and/or the Tallahassee Democrat for photo files and permissions
- More research on what was there before it became Shingles

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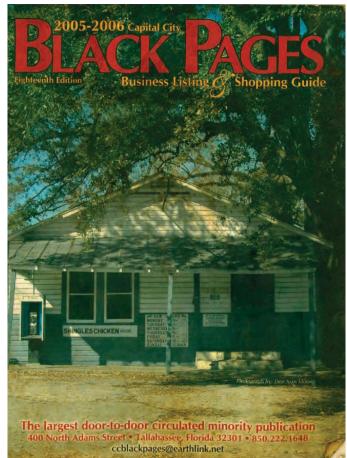




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## 10. Elberta Crate (Suggested theme)

### **Primary story**

- Economic engine: largest private employer in Tallahassee
- Manufacturing that took place here and link to Florida's agricultural economy
- Jobs for people in the surrounding communities, offered good pay

## **Secondary stories**

- 1. From factory to lake
- 2. 1969 Strike community support
- 3. Working conditions safety hazards, fires







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## **10. Elberta Crate (Suggested theme)**



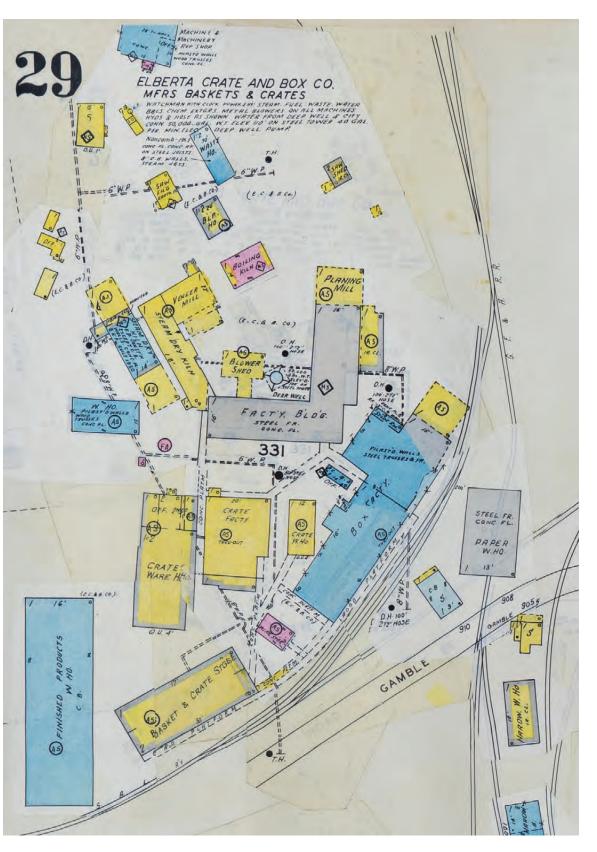












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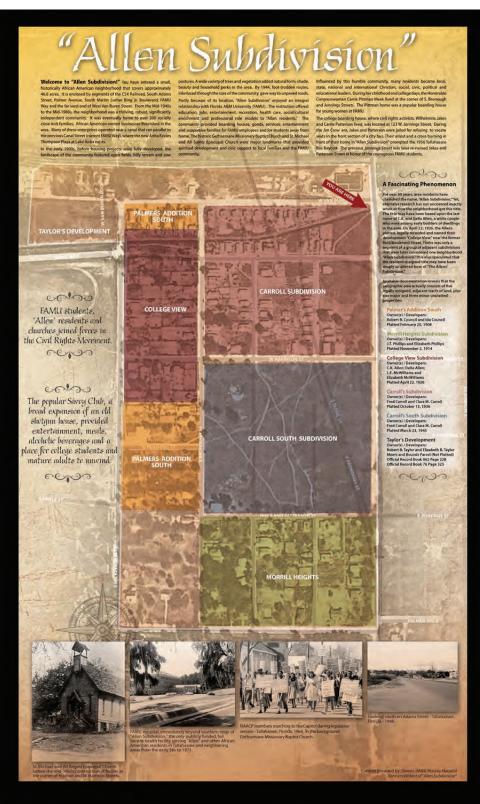


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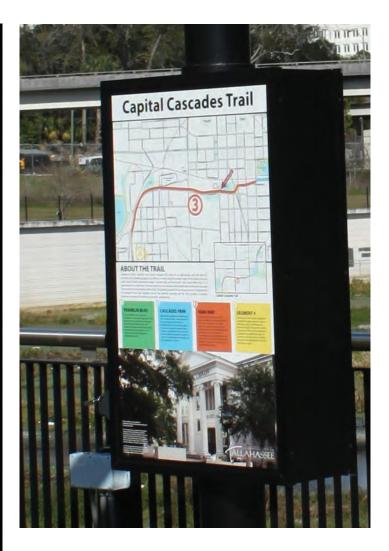
- Should the content of this sign have any impact on our work? (photos we choose, topics presented?)
- Are there specific elements of these signs we should steer away from in our signs? (observations regarding placement, size, too general, etc)





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## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STATUS UPDATE ON THE LAKE JACKSON GREENWAY PROJECT

This attachment to the April 8, 2021 Project Update item provides a status update on community engagement activities for the Lake Jackson Greenway Project. Based on the results of the Alignment Feasibility Study and IA Board direction provided at the December 10, 2020 meeting, the project will create a multimodal connection between Lake Jackson Archeological Mounds State Park and Lake Ella, with access to the Meginnis Arm Landing and the Centre of Tallahassee. Since receiving this direction from the IA Board, Blueprint has undertaken the following community engagement activities:

Project Webpage: <u>https://blueprintia.org/projects/lake-jackson-greenway/</u>

- Launched September 2020
- Continuously updated with current project information and answers to frequently asked questions
- Houses community engagement materials for public access, including a recording of the project overview presentation and project documents

Virtual Project Meeting Notification

- 3500+ post cards mailed
- 85+ email notifications
- 30 meeting notification signs placed around the community
- Display ad in the Tallahassee Democrat

Virtual Project Meeting with Presentations and Live Questions with Project Team

- Two virtual presentation sessions
  - March 11, 2021 30+ attendees
  - March 15, 2021 50+ attendees

Interactive Engagement Methods Used at Virtual Meetings

Questions and comments varied regarding themes of connectivity, safety, and amenities. Some attendees shared their excitement for project, particularly with regard to the enhanced multimodal connectivity, proposed alignment route, and amenities; on the other hand, some attendees voiced concerns with regard to safety and proximity to private property. Some residents proposed the expansion and/or addition of sidewalk facilities in locations of on-street cycle route (such as along Dellwood Drive and Pinewood Drive), while others supported the proposed current project alignment and were opposed to considering private property impacts. Other comments included support for educational and wayfinding signage, invasive species removal, enhancements to the Meginnis Arm Landing paddlecraft launch, and intersection/trail crossing safety countermeasures and paint treatments.

- **Textline Project Phone Number:** Offered a text message communication method that did not require internet access. Project phone number was published on all advertisements, handouts, and mailers.
- **Mentimeter Interactive Survey:** Four interactive survey questions were asked during the project overview presentation, the results are attached. Of note, most respondents indicated they would use the Lake Jackson Trail to walk, bike and/or access other parks. See below for Real Time Survey Results
- **Miro Online Whiteboard:** Published during both virtual engagement sessions and left open for public access from Monday, March 15 Sunday, March 21.
- **Overall participation:** The meetings were well received and included great conversations among attendees and staff. In all, over 100 written comments have been received via chat, Textline, Miro online whiteboard, and social media combined.

#### **Real Time Survey Results**

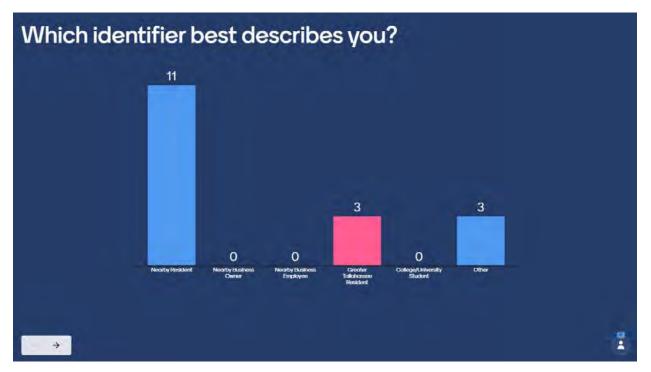


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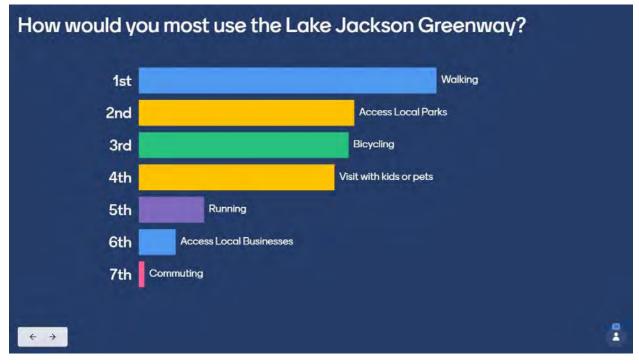


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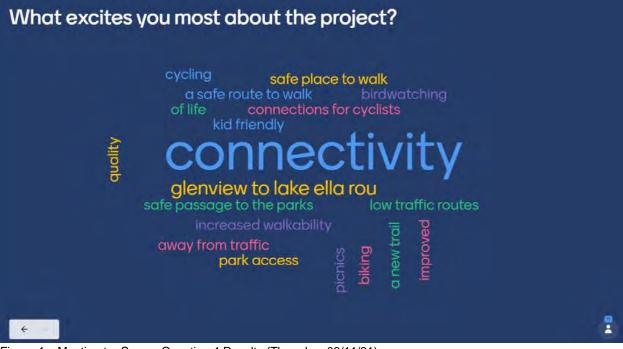


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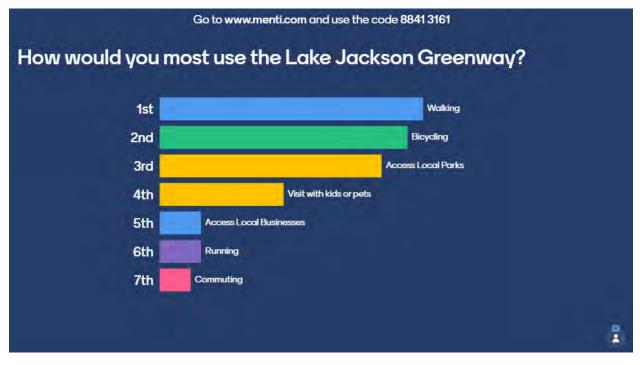


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Figure 8 - Mentimeter Survey Question 4 Results (Monday, 03/15/21)

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STATUS UPDATE ON THE NORTHEAST CONNECTOR CORRIDOR: BANNERMAN ROAD PROJECT

This attachment to the April 8, 2021 Project Update item provides a status update on community engagement activities for the Blueprint Northeast Connector Corridor: Bannerman Road Project. Based on the results of a Traffic Feasibility Analysis and IA Board direction provided at the September 18, 2020 meeting, the project will relieve congestion by widening Bannerman Road from Quail Common Drive to Preservation Road, and improve bicycle and pedestrian access from Thomasville Road to Meridian Road. Since receiving this direction from the IA Board, Blueprint has undertaken the following community engagement activities:

Project Website: www.BannermanRoad.com

- Launched late September 2020
- Continuously updated with current project information and upcoming events
- Consistent online homepage for community engagement activities, such as virtual meetings and survey

Virtual Community Meetings

- First Virtual Community Meeting: Launched November 7, 2020 and available through February 26, 2021
  - o 399 unique visitors, average 6 minutes per visit
- Second Virtual Community Meeting: Launched March 1, 2021 and available through April 30, 2021

Project Preferences Survey

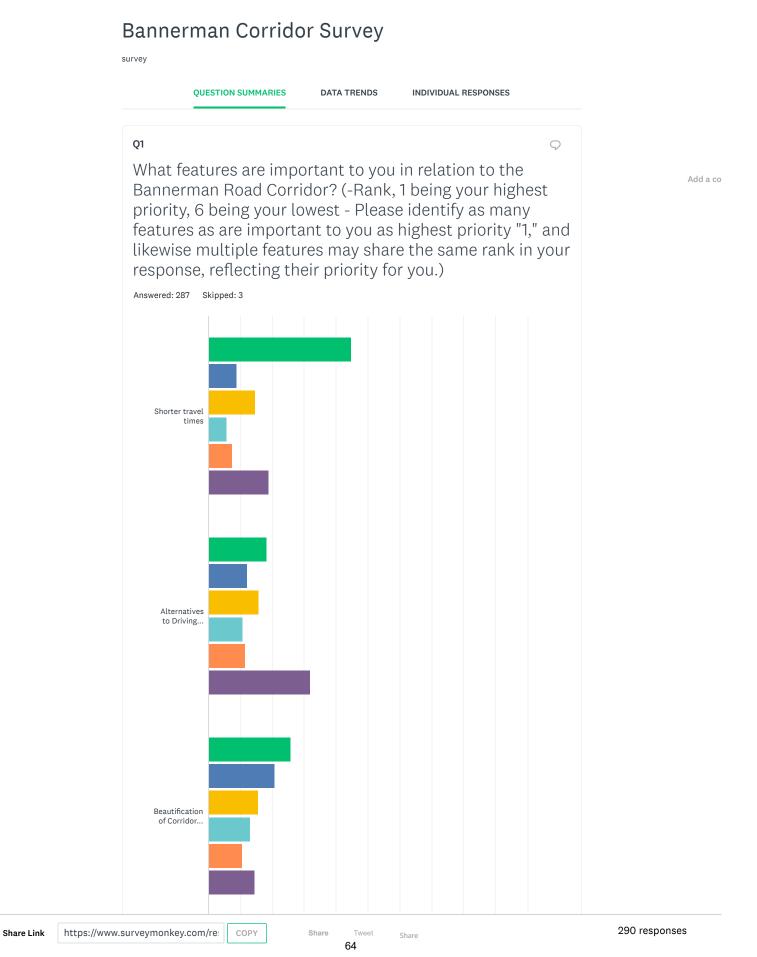
- 290 responses received; summary of all responses provided beginning page 2
- Available from December 2020 through March 5, 2021
- Survey focused on community preferences regarding improvements for Bannerman Road corridor

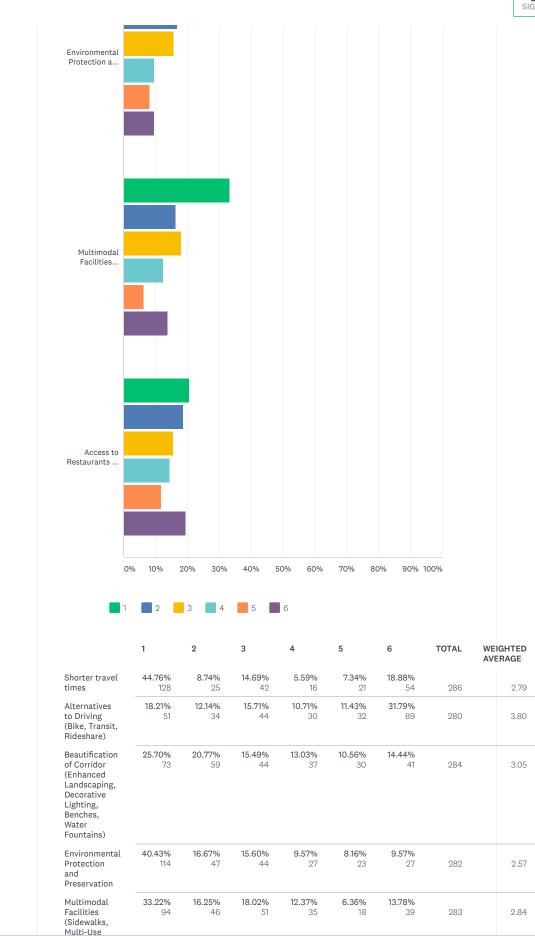
In-Person Pop-Up Events

- November 7, 2020: In-person event at Bannerman Crossings to share results of the Traffic Feasibility Analysis and IA Board direction regarding improvements
- February 27, 2021: Two in-person events held at Bannerman Crossings Pavilion to provide project update and discuss options for multimodal facilities
  - o 21 written Comments received, provided beginning page 13

Virtual Project Presentations and Live Questions with Project Team

- November 2020: Two virtual presentation sessions featuring project overview presentation by the project team and question and answer session
- March 2021: Two virtual presentation sessions featuring project update and next steps presentation by the project team and question and answer session





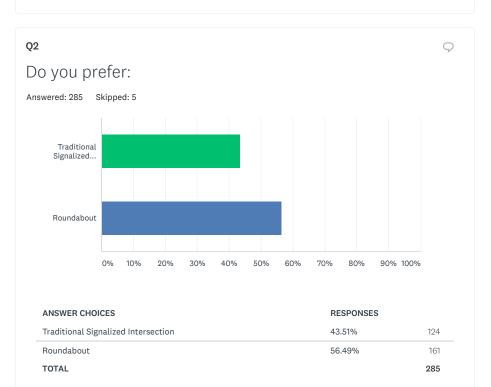
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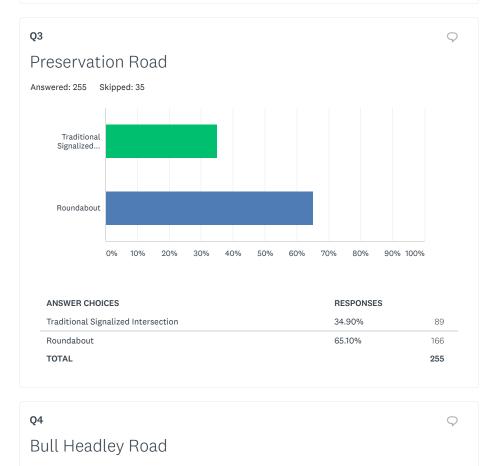
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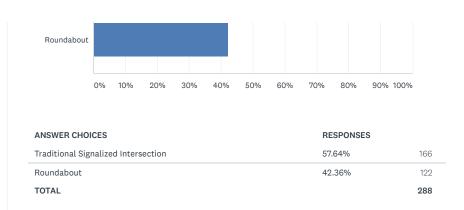
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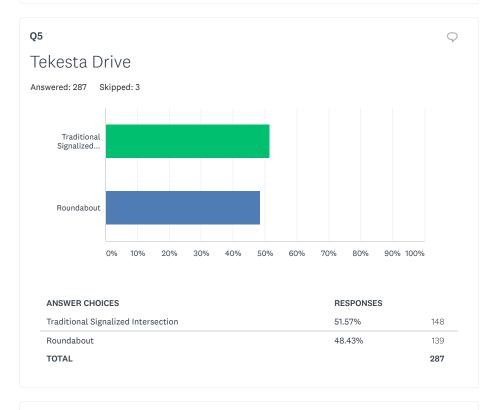
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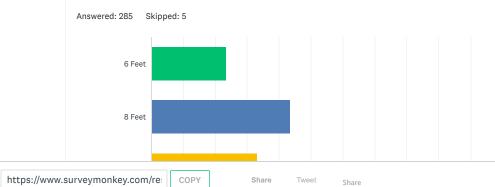




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3.2 Separating the multi-use trail from the roadway with a landscape "buffer" increases the comfort and safety for users of the trail. What width of landscape buffer would you consider ideal for the corridor? Note, the wider the buffer, the more likely private property will need to be acquired to provide the room needed.



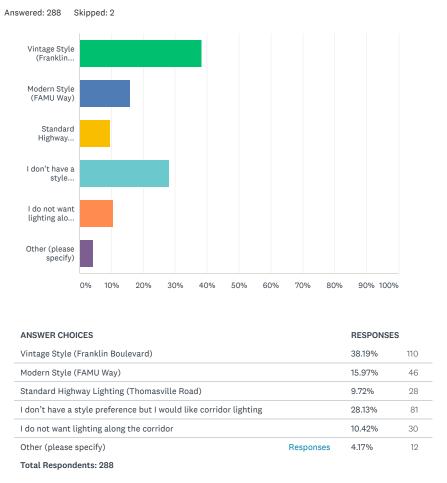
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TOTAL		285

#### Q7

3.3 This project includes lighting study that will assess necessary lighting coverage and placement. Listed below are lighting style options. Note, decorative lighting styles (vintage and modern) are more expensive and may require more poles than the traditional highway light style, which provides greater coverage at a lower cost. What style of roadway lighting do you prefer?



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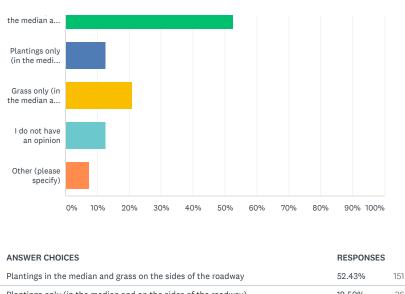
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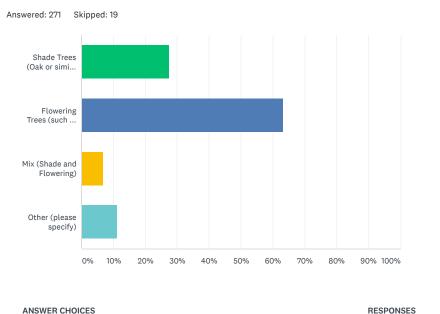
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#### **Q**9

3.5 If trees are included in the landscaping along the corridor, is there a particular type of tree you would like to see in the roadway median or along the multiuse trail?



Shade Trees (Oak or similar type, which may require a wider buffer area)		27.31%	74
Flowering Trees (such as Crepe Myrtle, which may require a reduced buffer area)		63.10%	171
Mix (Shade and Flowering)		6.64%	18
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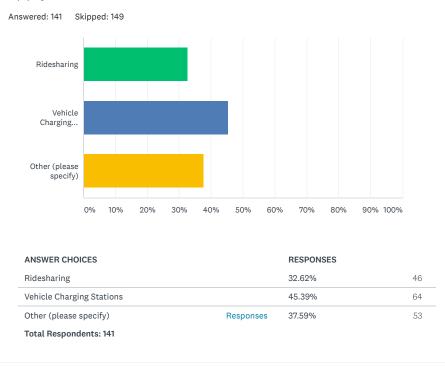
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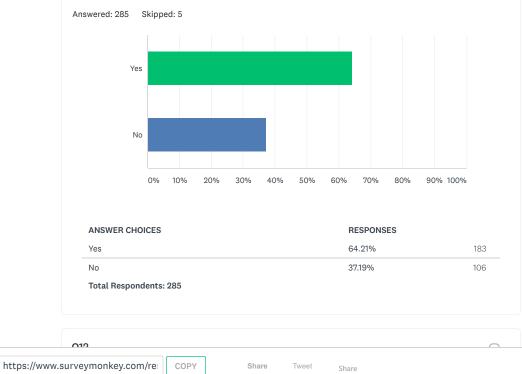


3.6 in an effort to support a variety of transportation options, which services would you use, if they were included along this corridor in this project? Check all that apply.



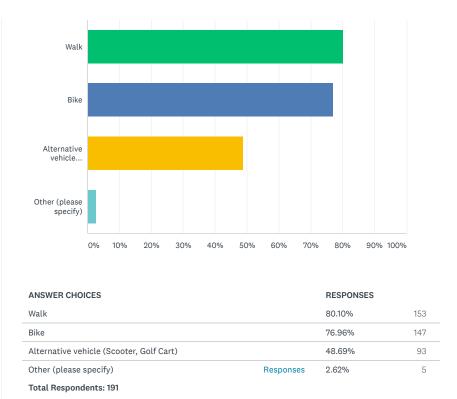
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3.7 With the addition of a multi-use trail and/or sidewalks, would you consider using alternative forms of transportation to access retail and commercial centers along the corridor from your home or business?



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3.8 Pedestrian/cyclists crossings at intersections are included in this project. In addition to crossings at intersections, "mid-block" crossings, like the N. Meridian Road crossing shown here, may be added to improve safety and connectivity. Are there locations where you feel crossings are needed (Check all that apply)



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Q14♀Is there anything else we need to know regarding your preferences for improvements along the Bannerman Road corridor?Answered: 89Skipped: 201
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I would like to know what improvements can be made that do not segregate this neighborhood further. Are there things we can do that will promote and ensure more diversity in this area, other than transit options? 3/5/2021 6:54 AM
I am concerned with 2 lanes, there will be a tendancy to drive faster. I think anything to encourage appropriate car speeds is important. 3/3/2021 2:34 PM
Preserve wildlife habitat as much as possible. Use native plants as much as possible. A multi-use trail along Bull Headley Rd (from Bannerman Rd to the landing at lake lamonia) would be nice.
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If you live in a neighborhood, which one do you live in? Answered: 235 Skipped: 55
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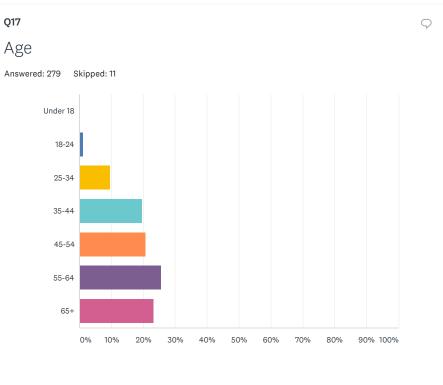
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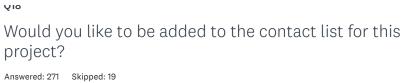
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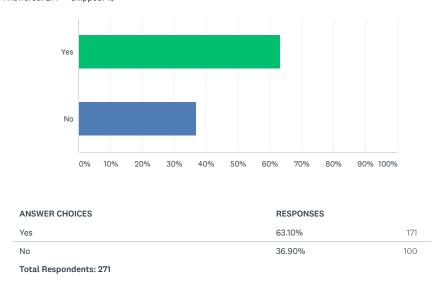
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### Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee

#### Agenda Item #3

#### March 31, 2021

Title:	First Public Hearing to Approve a Substantial Amendment to the Blueprint Northeast Park Project
Category:	Public Hearing
Intergovernmental Management Committee:	Vincent S. Long, Leon County Administrator Reese Goad, City of Tallahassee Manager
Lead Staff / Project Team:	Benjamin H. Pingree, Director, Department of PLACE Susan Dawson, Blueprint Attorney Autumn Calder, Director, Blueprint Megan Doherty, Blueprint Planning Manager

### **STATEMENT OF ISSUE:**

This agenda item requests the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) conduct the first public hearing to approve a substantial amendment to modify the Blueprint Northeast Park project. The proposed amendment to the Northeast Park project map is consistent with IA Board direction provided at the February 18, 2021 meeting to initiate the substantial amendment process to recognize a new location for the Northeast Park and allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds for improvements at this site, and the amendment process required by the Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement dated December 9, 2015,

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This item does not have a fiscal impact.

# CAC RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Recommend the IA Board approve the substantial amendment to Blueprint Project 19, Northeast Park, as described in Attachment #2.

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#### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:**

This agenda item requests the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) conduct the first public hearing to approve the substantial amendment to modify the Blueprint Northeast Park project (listed as Project 19 in the Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement). The proposed amendment to the Northeast Park project map is consistent with IA Board direction provided at the February 18, 2021 meeting to initiate the substantial amendment process.

Attachment #1 includes the original description with project map, and Attachment #2 includes the project description, unchanged, with an amended map reflecting the new project location. A supermajority vote of the IA Board is required for the amendment to be approved. The first public hearing has been advertised and scheduled for the Blueprint CAC meeting on March 31, 2021. The second and final public hearing to consider the amendment discussed hereafter has been advertised and scheduled for this April 8, 2021 IA Board meeting.

To expedite the planning, design, and permitting of this park and maximize efficiencies in correlation with the on-going efforts of the co-located Northeast Gateway: Welaunee Boulevard project, this agenda item also considers opportunities to amend the scope of services of an existing contract with Kimley-Horn to include planning, design, and permitting services for the Northeast Park.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE NORTHEAST PARK PROJECT

At the February 18, 2021 meeting, the IA Board directed Blueprint to initiate the substantial amendment process for the Northeast Park project (Attachment #3). If approved, the substantial amendment will recognize a new location for the Northeast Park and allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds for improvements at this site. The recommendation to amend the project is consistent with actions taken by the Leon County Board of County Commissioners (County Commission), at their January 26, 2021 meeting, where the County Commission approved the sale of the current site and purchase of a new parcel for the Northeast Park off Centerville Road near Roberts Elementary and Montfort Middle schools, subject to the IA Board's approval to modify the location of the Northeast Park project description.

The current project map (Attachment #1) specifically shows the park being located at the Thomasville Road and Proctor Road site, purchased by the County in 2012. A new location serving a greater population of Leon County residents has been identified on Centerville Road adjacent to the Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools. Consistent with the direction of the County Commission and if the substantial amendment process is approved by the IA Board (Option 1), Leon County Administration would commence the selling and buying of the associated parcels which would be brought back to the County Commission for final approval. The current project description, which is proposed to remain unchanged, and the proposed amendment to the Northeast Park map, are presented below.

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#### **Project 19, Northeast Park**: Funding to develop a Northeast Park

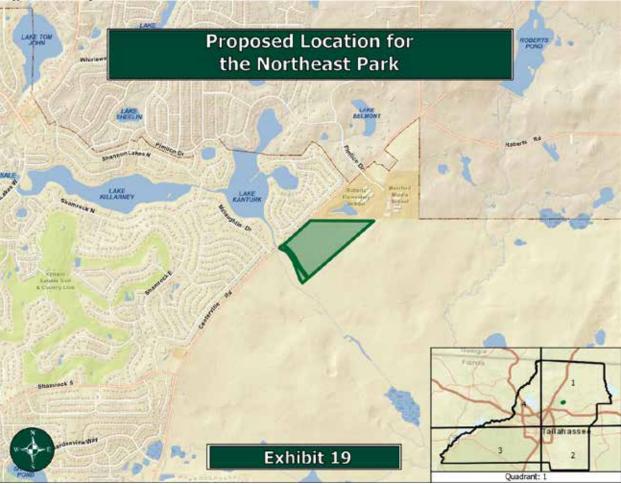


Figure 1: Proposed Amended Exhibit 19, Northeast Park

#### SYNERGY WITH NORTHEAST GATEWAY

To expedite the completion of this park and maximize project management and construction efficiencies, this agenda item includes the following analysis of using Kimley-Horn for planning, design, and permitting services for the Northeast Park. Kimley-Horn currently serves as Blueprint's primary consultant for the Northeast Gateway: Welaunee Boulevard project. They are tasked with planning, preliminary engineering, and design services for the Northeast Gateway project. It is anticipated that use of this same consultant, which has been undertaking technical analyses and project planning in the area of the proposed Northeast Park since early 2018, will expedite the planning and design phases of the park. Benefits to leveraging the existing Northeast Gateway professional services consultant include:

• Expedited project schedule and consolidation of construction documents / permitting / bidding efforts

- Streamlined and consolidated consultant efforts including survey, geotechnical, and design of critical shared aspects of the project including stormwater, water, and utilities
- Ensures seamless integration of Welanuee Greenway and NE Park project design including the trailhead and greenway
- Allows for assessment of balancing site and earthwork across the NE Gateways and NE Park
- Alignment of the design schedules allows for one construction procurement that may reduce overall project schedule and costs

Per the above analysis, use of Kimley-Horn will maximize efficiencies in correlation with the on-going efforts of the co-located Northeast Gateway: Welaunee Boulevard project, specifically regarding a combined and integrated effort for stormwater, design congruence, and public involvement. Additionally, combining these projects is anticipated to have a synergistic effect for the planning and design of the 8.4 mile Welaunee Greenway, which can now be integrated with the Northeast Park at it new location and interconnected to surround community facilities and the Miccosukee Greenway. Lastly, it is anticipated that there will be a time savings for use of the same consultant, expediting the project completion process. It is anticipated the process to advertise, negotiate, and award planning, preliminary engineering, and design services will take approximately four to five months if procured independently.

#### NEXT STEPS

This agenda items requests the CAC conduct the first public hearing to approve the substantial amendment modifying the Northeast Park project. If approved by the IA Board on April 8, the substantial amendment will acknowledges the new planned location of the park, provide for Leon County to move forward with the purchase of the new park location, and allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds at this location.

If approval of the substantial amendment (Option 1) is approved, and Blueprint moves forward with a request to the IA Board to amend the existing Kimley-Horn contract to provide planning, preliminary engineering, and design services for the Northeast Park, the following are anticipated as next steps in this project

	Initiate Northeast Park project, beginning with planning phase and technical analyses, with an anticipated timeline of 9-12 months. Community engagement will also be on-going during this phase.
	Present results and recommendations from planning phase and technical analyses to IA Board.
	Begin design and permitting phase of the Northeast Park Project, with an anticipated timeline of 12 months. Community engagement will also be on-going during this phase.
Summer 2023:	Present recommended design for Northeast Park to IA Board.
Fall 2023:	Anticipated construction start date for the Northeast Park.

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If Blueprint is directed to procure the Northeast Park project services independently it is anticipated the process to advertise, negotiate, and award these services will take approximately four to six months. Blueprint will bring an agenda item to the May 27, 2021 IA Board meeting requesting authorization to procure these services. It is anticipated the project will be advertised in Summer 2021 with a project start date of late 2021. The estimated construction start date of the Northeast Park under this schedule scenario is estimated to be spring 2024.

#### **SUMMARY**

This agenda item requests the Blueprint CAC conduct the first public hearing to approve the substantial amendment to modify Blueprint Project 19, Northeast Park. The Northeast Park project description is not proposed for changes, but the project map, included as Exhibit 19, is proposed for amendment to acknowledge the new planned location of the park and allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds at this location. This item recommends approval of the proposed substantial amendment and follows the IA Board direction at the February 18, 2021 meeting to initiate the substantial amendment process. The first public hearing is scheduled for the Blueprint CAC meeting on March 31, 2021. The second and final public hearing to consider the amendment will be advertised and scheduled for the April 8, 2021 IA Board meeting.

Action by the TCC and CAC: The TCC reviewed an agenda item describing the proposed substantial amendment at their March 22, 201 meeting. The TCC did not have any comments or determine any conflicts with the recommended amendment.

# CAC OPTIONS:

- Option 1: Recommend the IA Board approve the substantial amendment to Blueprint Project 19, Northeast Park, as described in Attachment #2.
- Option 2: CAC Direction.

# CAC RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Recommend the IA Board approve the substantial amendment to Blueprint Project 19, Northeast Park, as described in Attachment #2.

#### Attachments:

- 1. 2015 Interlocal Agreement: Project 19, Northeast Park Description and Exhibit 19
- 2. Project 19, Northeast Park Description and Amended Exhibit 19
- 3. Blueprint IA Board Agenda Item, February 18, 2021: Approval to Initiate the Substantial Amendment Process for the Northeast Park Project and Consideration of Advance Funding Options

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Excerpt from the 2015 Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement:

**Project 19. Northeast Park:** Funding to develop a Northeast Park (Exhibit 19).

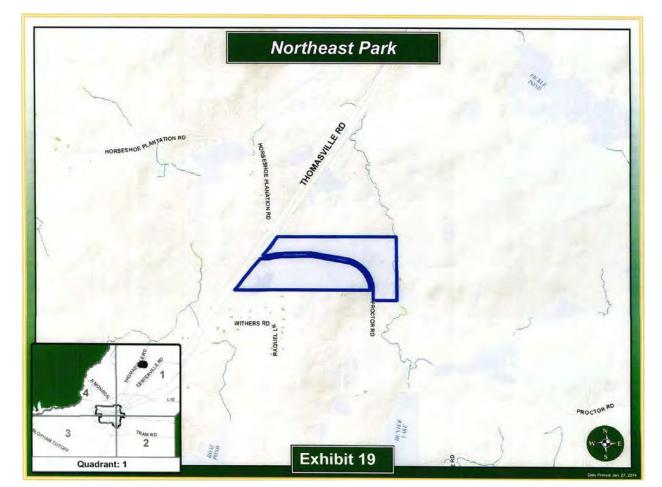
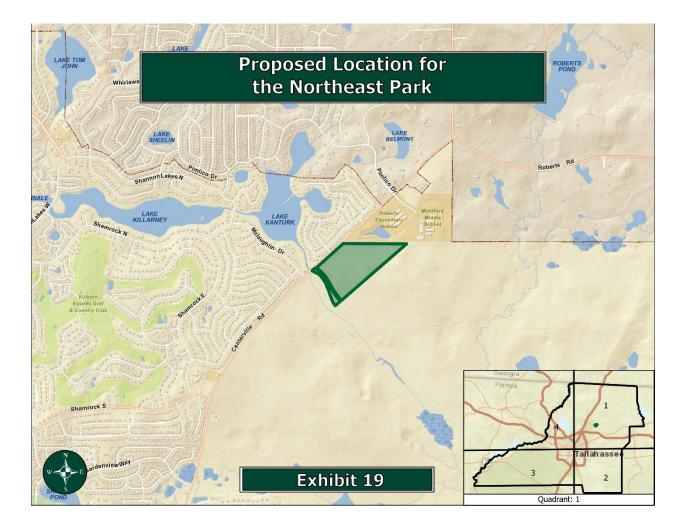


Exhibit 19.

<u>Northeast Park: Project Description (No Change) and Proposed Amended Project Map</u> (Exhibit 19, 2015 Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement):

Project 19. Northeast Park: Funding to develop a Northeast Park (Exhibit 19).



# Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors Agenda Item #8

#### February 18, 2021

Title:	Approval to Initiate the Substantial Amendment Process for the Northeast Park Project and Consideration of Advance Funding Options
Category:	General Business
Intergovernmental Management Committee	Vincent S. Long, Leon County Administrator Reese Goad, City of Tallahassee Manager
Lead Staff / Project Team:	Benjamin H. Pingree, Director, Department of PLACE Autumn Calder, Director, Blueprint Megan Doherty, Planning Manager, Blueprint

# STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

Consistent with direction provided at the December 10, 2020 meeting, this agenda item presents the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors (IA Board) new information pertaining to the Northeast Park project as well as funding options for advancing this project's implementation. Consistent with Leon County Board actions at their January 26, 2021 meeting, this agenda item recommends initiating the substantial amendment process to recognize the new planned location for the Northeast Park and allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds for improvements at this new site. This agenda item also recommends expanding planned bond issuance(s) to fully fund the Northeast Park project at \$10 million within the FY 2022 – 2026 Capital Improvement Plan.

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This item does have a fiscal impact as advancing the implementation of the Northeast Park will impact previously approved project allocations and anticipated debt service payments through FY 2040. Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors Meeting, February 18, 2021 Item Title: Approval to Initiate the Substantial Amendment Process for the Northeast Park Project and Consideration of Advance Funding Options Page 2 of 10

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

- Option 1: Initiate the process to significantly amend the Northeast Park project consistent with the new location planned for purchase by Leon County. Direct staff to schedule the first public hearing for the Blueprint Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on March 31, 2021 and the second and final public hearing for the Blueprint IA Board meeting on April 8, 2021, at which time a supermajority vote is needed to modify the project.
- Option 2: Advance Northeast Park with bond funding: Direct Blueprint to bring back through the annual budget workshop the full funding of the Northeast Park through planned bond issuance(s) at \$10 million within the FY 2022 – 2026 Capital Improvement Plan.

### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:**

Consistent with direction provided at the December 10, 2020 meeting, this agenda item presents for IA Board consideration new information pertaining to the Northeast Park project as well as funding options for advancing the project's implementation. This agenda item also recommends initiating the substantial amendment process (Option 1) to recognize the new planned location for the Northeast Park and allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds for improvements at this new site. This amendment is necessary to allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds for improvements at the new site whether or not advance funding this project is approved by the IA Board. Pursuant to Blueprint's 2015 Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement any substantial amendment to a Blueprint 2020 project's description requires two public hearings prior to the project modification being approved. If directed by the IA Board, the first public hearing to consider a substantial amendment to the Northeast Park project could be publicly advertised and conducted at the next Blueprint Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting, scheduled for March 31, 2021. The second public hearing can be held in conjunction with the April 8, 2021 IA Board meeting.

The current project description (Attachment #1) specifically shows the park being located at the Thomasville Road and Proctor Road site, purchased by the County in 2012. A new location serving a greater population of Leon County residents has been identified on Centerville Road adjacent to the Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools. Consistent with Board of County Commissioners direction and if the substantial amendment process is initiated by the IA Board, Leon County would commence the selling and buying of the associated parcels which would brought back to the County Commission for final approvals. Consistent with direction provided at the IA Board December 10, 2020 meeting, this agenda item also presents funding options for advancing the project's implementation, and based on the analyses contained herein, recommends Option 2, expanding planned bond issuance(s) to fully fund the Northeast Park project at \$10 million within the FY 2022 – 2026 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). As approved in 2014, the project total is \$10 million.

## BACKGROUND:

## **BLUEPRINT 2020 PROJECT PRIORITIZATION**

Since voter approval of the sales tax extension in November 2014, the IA Board has taken significant action to prioritize all 27 projects. For prioritization purposes, the IA Board's adopted list of 27 Blueprint 2020 infrastructure projects were divided into five categories: Regional Mobility and Gateway projects, and Community Enhancement, Connectivity, and Quality of Life (CCQ) projects. At the February 21, 2017 meeting, the IA Board discussed a dual approach to funding the Blueprint 2020 projects. Based on IA Board action at that meeting, the larger, holistic roadway reconstruction projects will be prioritized consistent with the CRTPA Regional Mobility Plan. As a result, these projects are beginning to be funded in the Five-Year Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Work Program. This strategy maintained progress on projects where the IA Board has provided direction and continues the collaborative approach to completing projects through FDOT and Federal Highway Administration partnerships.

The Northeast Park project is within the CCQ project category. The IA Board approved the prioritization for the CCQ projects at its September 19, 2017 meeting, included below in Table #1. The Northeast Park project is the next CCQ project scheduled to receive funding based on the currently approved CCQ project prioritization. Based on the approved project prioritization of all 27 Blueprint 2020 projects, as well as updated revenue projections reflecting impacts of COVID-19, funding for the Northeast Park is currently anticipated for FY 2035.

Priority	Project Name	2014 Project Estimate
1	Market District (80 pts.)	\$9,400,000
1	Orange Avenue/Meridian Road Placemaking (80 pts.)	\$4,100,000
2	Lake Lafayette and St. Marks Regional Linear Park (75 pts.)	\$15,816,640
3	Monroe-Adams Corridor Placemaking (55 pts.)	\$7,000,000
4	Midtown Placemaking (50 pts.)	\$22,000,000
5	Beautification and Improvements to the Fairgrounds (45 pts.)	\$12,000,000
5	Northeast Park (45 pts.)	\$10,000,000
6	College Avenue Placemaking (40 pts.)	\$7,000,000
7	Florida A&M Entry Points (25 pts.)	\$1,500,000
8	Tallahassee-Leon County Animal Service Center (10 pts.)	\$7,000,000

Table 1. Blueprint 2020 Approved Prioritization for CCQ projects, tied projects listed in alphabetical order

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION & CURRENT STATUS:**

### Northeast Park

The Northeast Park project will provide a new public park in northeast Leon County. At its May 22, 2012 meeting, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners approved the acquisition of 100 acres of land at the intersection of Thomasville Road and Proctor Road at a cost of \$786,000, to serve as the location for a Northeast Park. Subsequently, the Northeast Park project was submitted by Leon County to the Sales Tax Extension Citizens Committee and the project was included as one of the 27 infrastructure projects comprising the Blueprint 2020 infrastructure program. At the time of the sales tax extension approval in November 2014, the project was estimated to cost \$10 million.

Since 2012, Leon County had completed the following activities for the Northeast Park:

- Phase 1 Environmental Audit
- Natural Features Inventory survey
- Cultural Resources Assessment
   Survey
- Evaluation of topographical characteristics
- Conceptual Site Plan
- Conceptual Costs to Construction
   Schedule

At their January 26, 2021 meeting, the Leon County Commission authorized the County Administrator to initiate selling the parcel of property at Proctor Road and Thomasville Road and negotiate for the purchase of the parcel on Centerville Road adjacent to the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board of Directors Meeting, February 18, 2021 Item Title: Approval to Initiate the Substantial Amendment Process for the Northeast Park Project and Consideration of Advance Funding Options Page 5 of 10

Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools in accordance with the Board's Real Estate Policy for the purpose of developing a Northeast Park (Attachment #2). The property owners adjacent to the County-owned land at Proctor Road have expressed an interest in acquiring this parcel. The owners of the property adjacent to Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools have indicated their willingness to sell a parcel to the County for the development of a park. Based on preliminary discussions with all parties, it is anticipated that there will be no net cost to the County to acquire the new parcel.

In order to expend sales tax funds for park and recreational improvements at this new location, this agenda item recommends initiating the substantial amendment process as required by the 2015 Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement governing the Blueprint program. Once the project is initiated, the Northeast Park design and amenities will be developed through a future community engagement process. Possible improvements could include baseball and multi-purpose fields, a playground, and concession/restroom facilities. While the original location is 100 acres, given the environmental features of the property, approximately half was anticipated to be used for active recreation with the balance set aside for passive uses. The proposed new location is estimated to be 50 acres and could be designed to include the active recreation component of the project.

Per the analysis provided in the January 26, 2021 County agenda item, the new location will be accessible by a larger number of Leon County families. Approximately 22,518 more individuals live within a 5-mile radius of the Centerville Road site than the current location. In addition to the increased population served, the alternative site's proximity to two Leon County Schools provides possible future benefits. These opportunities include possible partnerships for joint usage of recreational amenities, stormwater facilities, parking and traffic circulation. Collaboration with Leon County Division of Parks and Recreation will be undertaken when programming the park facilities and amenities. However, there may also be an opportunity to partner with the City on the park itself. The City has had previous discussions regarding the development of a City park in the Northeast, although specific plans for the creation or the operation of the City's park have not been finalized.

In order to take the next step toward moving the Northeast Park to capture the opportunity to expanded recreational facilities and accessibility to a larger number of Leon County families, staff is recommending Option 1, which initiates the process to substantially amend the Northeast Park project consistent with the new location planned for purchase by Leon County.

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## SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT PROCESS:

Option 1 of this item initiates the substantial amendment process to relocate the park consistent with Leon County Board direction to sell the existing project site identified in the Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement. In order to expend sales tax funds on improvements at the new location to be acquired by Leon County, a substantial amendment is necessary.

The Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement dated December 9, 2015 specifies that Blueprint must hold two public hearings to consider proposed substantial changes to a Blueprint project. The first public hearing could be publicly advertised and conducted at the next Blueprint Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting, scheduled for March 31, 2021. The second public hearing can be held in conjunction with the April 8, 2021 IA Board meeting. The IA Board must also receive recommendations from the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC), CAC, and the Intergovernmental Management Committee (IMC). Absent IA Board direction regarding advance funding this project, presented as Options 2 and 3, the Northeast Park would be constructed at the new location with funding anticipated in FY 2035, consistent with the existing project prioritization and related funding schedule.

## **FUNDING OPTIONS:**

Consistent with prior IA Board action regarding prioritization and project funding, the Northeast Park project is currently anticipated to receive funding in 2035. The following section provides two funding options for IA Board consideration regarding the advanced implementation of the Northeast Park project at a cost of \$10 million in the current five-year capital budget: expand planned bond issuance(s) (Option 2), or use sales tax revenues to fully fund this project (Option 3). Based on the analyses contained herein, staff recommends Option 2, expanding planned bond issuance(s) to fully fund the Northeast Park project at \$10 million within the FY 2022 – 2026 CIP.

As of September 19, 2017, the IA Board had prioritized, initiated, or provided direction on all 27 infrastructure projects. Building on this prioritization, at the June 21, 2018 meeting the IA Board approved the FY 2019 – 2024 Implementation Plan, providing project implementation direction for the first five years of the Blueprint 2020 program. The Implementation Plan was the starting point for the subsequent Five Year Capital Improvement Plan. The approved Implementation Plan includes a \$100 million bond to fund large scale Regional Mobility and Gateway projects, including the Bannerman Road and Airport Gateway projects. Bond funding is also utilized for several CCQ projects, including Market District and Monroe-Adams Placemaking. The Implementation Plan for CCQ projects is included in Table #2, below.

CCQ Projects	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	Total FY 21 - 25
Orange Ave/Meridian Placemaking	1,459,611	750,000	-	-	-	2,209,611
Market District Placemaking	2,035,263	5,423,716	1,054,619	-	-	8,513,598
Lake Lafayette and St. Marks Regional Park	500,000	750,000	-	1,771,145	1,374,492	4,395,637
Monroe-Adams Placemaking	1,500,000	2,500,000	2,378,365	1,654,596	-	8,032,961
Midtown Placemaking	1,000,000	4,000,000	-	-	500,000	5,500,000
Fairgrounds Beautification and Improvement	100,000	-	-	12,000,000	-	12,100,000
Northeast Park	-	-	-	-	-	-
College Avenue Placemaking	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida A&M Entry Points	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alternative Sewer Solutions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tallahassee-Leon County Animal Service Center	-	-	-	-	-	-
DeSoto Winter Encampment	500,000	-	-	-	-	500,000

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Table 2. FY 2021-2025 CIP for C	CQ Projects (Approved Se	ptember 17, 2020)

\* Indicates project fully funded by FY 2025 or earlier

As approved by the IA Board at the September 17, 2020 meeting, the FY 2021 – 2025 CIP fully funds the following CCQ projects: Orange-Meridian Placemaking, Market District, Monroe-Adams Placemaking, and Fairgrounds Beautification and Improvement. The full \$500,000 repayment to the City for advance funding the DeSoto Winter Encampment is also completed. Specific to CCQ projects, the approved CIP also provides funding to initiate the Lake Lafayette & St. Marks Regional Linear Park and complete design and construction of Phase 1 of the Midtown Placemaking project.

Based on the approved project prioritization, as well as updated revenue projections reflecting impacts of COVID-19, funding for the Northeast Park is currently anticipated for FY 2035. The two advance funding options may impact the implementation schedules for other Blueprint projects, as detailed below:

**Option 2: Increase Planned Bond Issuance(s)**: Option 2 increases the planned bond issuance(s) to provide full funding for the Northeast Park project within the proposed FY2022-2026 CIP. There are two upcoming bond issuances planned in the five-year capital budget: one in FY 2022, and a second issuance in FY 2024. Based on current project timelines, the initial phases of the Northeast Park project, including planning, community engagement, design, and permitting, are anticipated to take approximately 24 months to complete. The estimated cost of planning is \$750,000, and the estimated cost of design is \$1.25 million, and it is estimated these phases can be completed by FY 2024, if initiated in FY 2022 (Fall 2021). This option would allow in progress projects to maintain forward momentum without disruption to project funding or implementation schedules. However, bonding will increase debt service, which will reduce the funding available each year to implement Blueprint 2020 projects. This funding reduction will mean that some projects, such as projects not yet in progress including the lowest ranked CCQ projects (Tallahassee-Leon County Animal Service Center, Florida A&M Entry

Points, and Alternative Sewer Solutions Study) will be implemented at a later date than currently estimated.

Option 2, advance Northeast Park with bond funding, could be accomplished through IA Board direction corresponding with approval of Option 2 at the end of this item.

**Option 3: Sales Tax Revenue Funding:** Option 3 would fully fund the Northeast Park project using sales tax revenues within the FY 2022-2026 CIP, which would delay funding for higher ranked CCQ projects. Using existing sales tax revenues would necessitate delaying other projects currently in progress to fully fund the Northeast Park at the approved project funding of \$10 million. If directed to use sales tax revenues to fully fund this project within the FY 2022 -2026 CIP, Blueprint will need direction from the IA Board regarding which active projects should be delayed. Provided this direction, Blueprint would develop budget scenarios which could be evaluated by the IA Board for final direction through the FY 2022 budget workshop, scheduled for May 27, 2021. The budget workshop item would provide the IA Board options and a cost analysis of advance funding the Northeast Park project, including revised implementation schedules for the higher ranked CCQ projects as may be applicable.

Option 3, advance Northeast Park with sales tax funding, could be accomplished through IA Board direction corresponding with approval of Option 3 at the end of this item. For review and direction by the IA Board, Blueprint would develop budget scenarios regarding which active projects should be delayed through the FY 2022 budget workshop, scheduled for May 27, 2021. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY

## SUMMARY:

Consistent with direction provided at the December 10, 2020 meeting, this agenda item presented the IA Board new information pertaining to the Northeast Park project as well as funding options for advancing this project's implementation. Based on Leon County Board actions at their January 26, 2021 meeting, this agenda item recommends initiating the substantial amendment process (Option 1) to recognize the new planned location for the Northeast Park and allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds for improvements at this new site. This amendment is necessary whether or not advance funding options for this project are approved by the IA Board to allow for the expenditure of sales tax funds for improvements at this new site. If directed by the IA Board, the first public hearing to consider a substantial amendment to the Northeast Park project could be publicly advertised and conducted at the next Blueprint Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

meeting, scheduled for March 31, 2021. The second public hearing can be held in conjunction with the April 8, 2021 IA Board meeting.

Attachment 3

This agenda item also recommends Option 2, expanding planned bond issuance(s) to fully fund the Northeast Park project at \$10 million within the FY 2022 – 2026 CIP. Option 2 would allow in progress projects to maintain forward momentum without disruption to project funding or implementation schedules. An additional funding scenario, using only sales tax revenues (Option 3), was also detailed for IA Board consideration.

**Action by the TCC and CAC:** This item was not presented to the TCC, and the CAC received an update on IA Board direction provided at the December 10, 2020 meeting during a presentation at their February 4, 2021 meeting.

## **OPTIONS:**

- Option 1: Initiate the process to significantly amend the Northeast Park project consistent with the new location planned for purchase by Leon County. Direct staff to schedule the first public hearing for the Blueprint Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on March 31, 2021 and the second and final public hearing for the Blueprint IA Board meeting on April 8, 2021, at which time a supermajority vote will take place to modify the project.
- Option 2: Advance Northeast Park with bond funding: Direct Blueprint to bring back through the annual budget workshop the full funding of the Northeast Park through planned bond issuance(s) at \$10 million within the FY 2022 2026 Capital Improvement Plan.
- Option 3: Advance Northeast Park with sales tax funding: Direct Blueprint to bring back options through the annual budget workshop scheduled for May 27, 2021 for advance funding of the Northeast Park project within the five-year capital budget using sales tax revenues.
- Option 4: IA Board direction.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

- Option 1: Initiate the process to significantly amend the Northeast Park project consistent with the new location planned for purchase by Leon County. Direct staff to schedule the first public hearing for the Blueprint Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on March 31, 2021 and the second and final public hearing for the Blueprint IA Board meeting on April 8, 2021, at which time a supermajority vote will take place to modify the project.
- Option 2: Advance Northeast Park with bond funding: Direct Blueprint to bring back through the annual budget workshop the full funding of the Northeast Park

through planned bond issuance(s) at \$10 million within the FY 2022 - 2026 Capital Improvement Plan.

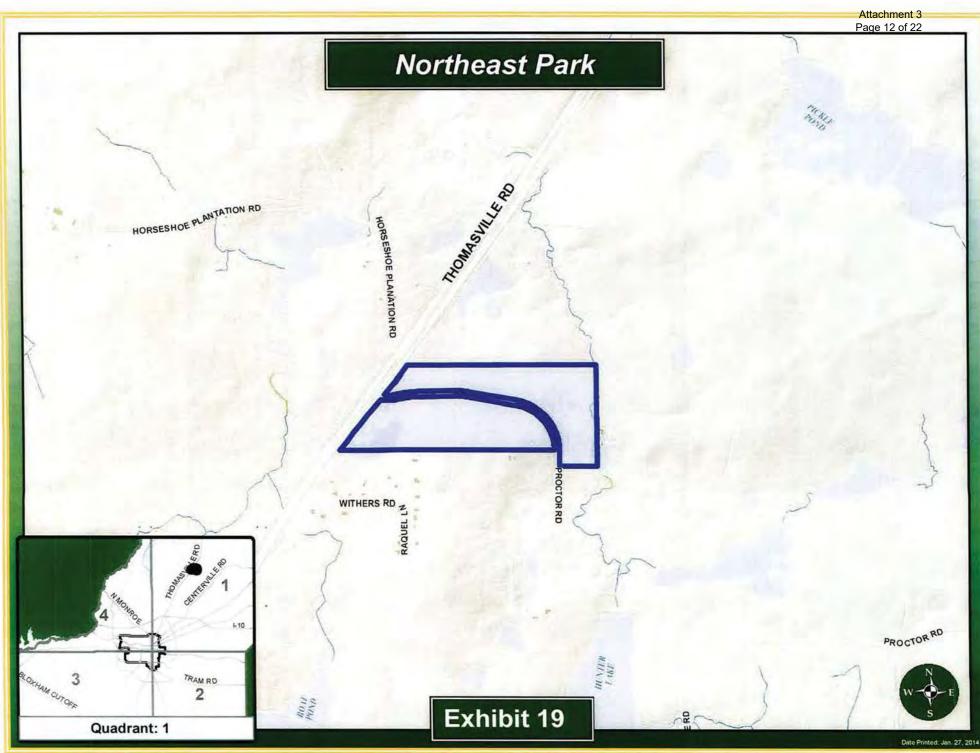
Attachments:

- 1. Blueprint 2020 Project Description and Map Northeast Park
- 2. January 26, 2021 Leon County Commission Agenda Item Sale and Purchase of Land to Relocate Proposed Northeast Park



#### SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT between LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA and CITY OF TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA DATED as of December 9, 2015

Project 19. Northeast Park: Funding to develop a Northeast Park (Exhibit 19).



# Leon County Board of County Commissioners Agenda Item #23 January 26, 2021

То:	Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board
From:	Vincent S. Long, County Administrator
Title:	Sale and Purchase of Land to Relocate Proposed Northeast Park

<b>Review and Approval:</b>	Vincent S. Long, County Administrator
Department/ Division Review:	Alan Rosenzweig, Deputy County Administrator Ken Morris, Assistant County Administrator
Lead Staff/ Project Team:	Leigh Davis, Director, Parks and Recreation Heather Peeples, Special Projects Coordinator Ben Pingree, Director, PLACE Maggie Theriot, Director, Resource Stewardship

#### **Statement of Issue:**

This item seeks Board consideration to relocate the proposed Northeast Park from the existing County-owned land at the intersection of Thomasville and Proctor Roads to a site between Centerville Road and the planned Welaunee Boulevard, adjacent to Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools. To accomplish this relocation with no net cost to the County, this item recommends selling the County-owned site and utilizing the proceeds of the sale to purchase the new site.

#### Fiscal Impact:

This item has a fiscal impact. The property owners adjacent to the County-owned land at Proctor Road have expressed an interest in acquiring this parcel. The owners of the property adjacent to Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools have indicated their willingness to sell a parcel to the County for the development of a park. Based on preliminary discussions with all parties, it is anticipated that there will be no net cost to the County to acquire the new parcel.

#### **Staff Recommendation:**

Option #1: Authorize the County Administrator to initiate selling the parcel of property at Proctor Road and Thomasville Road and negotiate for the purchase of the parcel on Centerville Road adjacent to the Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools in accordance with the Board's Real Estate Policy, for the purpose of developing a Northeast Park to be brought back to the Board for final approval, subject to the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board's approval to modify the location of the Northeast Park project description.

#### **Report and Discussion**

#### **Background:**

For over a decade, Leon County has been actively working to site and develop the Northeast Park. In FY 2007, funding for the Northeast Park was included in the County's five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). However, in preparation for the FY 2008 budget the recession had caused a significant decline in projected revenues and to avoid a property tax increase the Board implemented a 120-day freeze on capital projects, including the proposed Northeast Park. The purpose of this freeze was to provide the Board with flexibility in the prioritization of projects as part of the FY 2008 budget cycle. Subsequently, the Northeast Park project, as well as many other capital projects, was not funded in FY 2008.

During its December 13, 2010 Annual Retreat, the Board included funding for the proposed Northeast Park as one of the top priorities for the 2011 calendar year. On March 24, 2011, staff issued a request for proposals (RFP) for the acquisition of land to develop the proposed Northeast Park. The RFP identified requirements for the site, including acreage, general area for the site to be located, opportunities for donations, general slope requirements, and other general conditions. Responses to the RFP were due on April 27, 2011; however, the County did not receive any responses.

After exhaustive efforts to identify parcels of adequate size in the northeast part of the County, d5uring the June 27, 2011 Budget Workshop, staff provided a status report on the Northeast Park, including the estimated cost and funding options. On August 23, 2011, the Board was informed that Celebration Baptist Church had expressed interest in selling a 100-acre parcel at Proctor and Thomasville Roads to the County in the amount of \$1.5 million. The Board directed staff to bring back an agenda item for its consideration for the purchase of property. On September 13, 2011, the Board directed staff to proceed with the acquisition of the property, subject to appraisals. At that time, the agenda materials indicated that funding for the development of the Northeast Park could be considered as part of a future sales tax extension. While the appraisal indicated the value of the land at \$1.0 million, at the May 22, 2012 the Board approved the acquisition of the parcel at a total cost of \$786,000 with the intention of land banking the site until funding for the construction could be identified.

In November 2014, Leon County residents approved the extension of the Blueprint Sales Tax for twenty years, beginning January 1, 2020. Included in the approved funded project list is \$10 million for the Northeast Park Project

At the December 2015 Annual Retreat, the Board requested information be provided as part of the budget process on establishing trails on the Northeast Park property until the active recreation could be developed. Following a review of the property, staff recommended creating a multi-use trail of approximately 2 miles and 10 to 12 feet wide to provide for a variety of users including hikers, bikers, and runners. As part of the April 2017 Budget Workshop, the Board subsequently authorized the inclusion of \$250,000 in the FY 2017 – FY 2021 preliminary capital improvement program for the development and construction of a temporary trail and trail head at the intersection

of Thomasville Road and Proctor Road. The trail was constructed during the following year and was opened to the public on January 4, 2018.

At the September 19, 2017 Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency (IA) Board meeting, the IA Board prioritized the 10 Community Enhancement Districts, Connectivity, and Quality of Life projects (CCQ) (Attachment #1). Based on the prioritization criteria, the Northeast Park and the Fairgrounds tied as the sixth highest ranked projects. At the June 27, 2019 meeting, the IA requested Blueprint staff to develop options for the IA Board to consider advance funding and implementation of the Fairgrounds and Northeast Park projects. An agenda item was presented to the IA Board at its December 11, 2019 providing options to advance fund both projects; the IA Board accepted the report and took no additional action at that time. Subsequently, at the July 9, 2020 Budget Workshop, the IA Board directed staff to fund the Fairgrounds project in the five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). The Northeast Park's funding is currently programmed for FY 2035.

Most recently, in February 2020, the property owner's adjacent to the Proctor Road parcel reached out to the County to discuss possibly purchasing the property. Horseshoe Plantation, working with Tall Timbers, owns and manages thousands of acres in the surrounding area of the Proctor Road site. Horseshoe Plantation and Tall Timbers regularly perform prescribed burns on their property which can cause air quality issues when the burning is occurring. Being sensitive to future Northeast Park users, they expressed their concern in trying to conduct these burnings adjacent to a park facility.

In response to this outreach by Horseshoe Plantation and Tall Timbers, and to mitigate future issues related to air quality and smoke at the Proctor Road site, an evaluation was conducted on possible alternative locations for the Northeast Park. Based on an analysis of parcels available in the northeast, it was determined that there was land available within Welaunee (bounded by Centerville Road and the future Welaunee Boulevard), and adjacent to the Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools, that met the criteria for the Northeast Park.

As detailed in the analysis, in addition to obtaining a preferable location for the Northeast Park, this location presents a synergistic opportunity to develop the Northeast Park project in conjunction with the Northeast Gateway project. Synergies include improved traffic outcomes by integrating the ingress/egress to the Northeast Park as part of the Welaunee Boulevard extension, possible reduced costs by aligning construction schedules and sharing stormwater facilities, and designing the Northeast Park and greenway and trail connections concurrently. Most significantly, the Northeast Park construction timeline can be accelerated in conjunction with the design and construction of the Northeast Gateway project, thereby advancing the construction of the Northeast Park by over a decade. The Northeast Gateway project is currently undergoing preliminary design and engineering and is scheduled to start construction next fiscal year. In addition, the total unincorporated area population (as well as the total population) to be served at the new location is greater than the existing site. Given the proximity to the schools, the new location also allows for future collaboration with Leon County Schools on field usage, stormwater and parking. It is projected that this site acquisition can be paid for with the proceeds through the sale of the Proctor Road site.

At the December 10, 2020 Blueprint IA meeting, Commissioner Welch discussed the possible new site for the Northeast Park and requested the IA consider accelerating the funding of the Northeast Park project to align with the Northeast Gateway Project. The IA Board directed an agenda item be prepared providing options for advance funding the Blueprint Northeast Park Project into the current five-year Capital Improvement Program. That agenda item is scheduled to be presented at the February 18, 2021 IA Board meeting.

Should the Board wish to proceed with the sale and purchase of these lands, the next step will be to seek approval from the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board to amend the Northeast Park project description. The current project description specifically shows the Northeast Park being located at the Proctor Road site. Pursuant to Blueprint's 2015 Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement, any substantial amendment to a Blueprint 2020 project's description requires two public hearings prior to the project modification being approved. Blueprint staff will seek IA Board authority to begin the modification process to move the Northeast Park's project location at the February 18, 2021 Blueprint IA Board meeting. Following the February 18, 2021 meeting, the County Administrator would commence the sale and purchase of the associated parcels which would be brought back to the Board for final approvals.

As discussed in detail in the analysis, this item therefore seeks Board authorization for the County Administrator to sell the parcel of property at Proctor Road and Thomasville Road and to negotiate for the purchase of the parcel on Centerville Road adjacent to the Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools for the development of a Northeast Park at the newly acquired site, subject to the Blueprint IA Board approval to modify the location of the Northeast Park project description. The development of the Northeast Park will be paid for through Blueprint revenues. The Blueprint IA will be considering advancing the funding of the Northeast Park development at the February 18, 2021 meeting.

#### Analysis:

As noted in the background, the County has been actively pursuing the development of a Northeast Park since at least 2008. During this time, the County purchased the parcel at Proctor and Thomasville Roads and "land banked" it as a possible location for the future site of the Northeast Park. While this site could be developed with active recreation amenities, an alternative location has been identified that provides an opportunity to advance the development of the Northeast Park project in conjunction with the design of Blueprint's Northeast Gateway project.

As reflected in the original project description (Attachment #2), the Northeast Park would be designed to include active recreation amenities. Northeast Park amenities may include baseball and multi-purpose fields, a playground, and concession/restroom facilities. Community engagement will occur in developing the final Northeast Park design and amenities. While the original location is 100 acres, given the environmental features of the property, approximately half was anticipated to be used for active recreation with the balance set aside for passive uses. The proposed new location is estimated to be 50 acres and would be designed to include the active recreation component of the Northeast Park project. The Northeast Park design and amenities are to take into consideration a future community engagement process.

#### Proposed New Site

The proposed alternative site is located just south of Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools and would be bounded by Centerville Road and the future Welaunee Boulevard extension. Locating the Northeast Park at the proposed site would allow the project to be designed in conjunction with the Welaunee Boulevard extension portion of the Northeast Gateway project in a holistic manner. Synergies between the two projects include improved traffic outcomes by integrating the ingress/egress to the Northeast Park as part of the Weluanee Boulevard extension, possible reduced costs by aligning construction schedules and sharing stormwater facilities, and designing the Northeast Park and greenway and trail connections concurrently. Based on the accelerated timeline for the Northeast Gateway project, planning and pre-engineering has already commenced with design and right-of-way acquisition planned for the current fiscal year. Construction of Welaunee Boulevard extension is planned to commence next fiscal year (FY 2022) and be completed by FY 2026, while the current funding for the Northeast Park is not scheduled until FY 2035. Accelerating the funding for the Northeast Park and moving forward with the relocation allows for the Northeast Park and the Northeast Gateway project to be designed and constructed concurrently.

In addition to the design opportunities and synergy that can be created with the Northeast Gateway project, the new location will be accessible by a larger number of Leon County families. As shown in Tables 1 and 2, an analysis was done of the population served at 1, 3, and 5-mile increments. The analysis looked at total population (incorporated and unincorporated areas) and population served for only the unincorporated area. In all scenarios, a greater population is served by the proposed new location.

Miles	Current Location: Proctor Road	Proposed Relocation: Centerville Road	Difference	% Difference
1	83	1,380	1,297	1,563%
3	6,164	19,482	13,318	216%
5	31,364	53,882	22,518	72%

Table 1: Total Population Served by Distance to Possible Northeast Park Sites

Miles	Current Location: Proctor Road	Proposed Relocation: Centerville Road	Difference	% Difference
1	83	401	318	383%
3	6,164	7,747	1,583	26%
5	21,943	25,549	3,606	16%

Approximately 22,518 more individuals live within a 5-mile radius of the alternative site than the current location. Although the alternative site is located within the City limits, more residents of unincorporated Leon County will benefit from the relocation of the Northeast Park. Within the 5-

mile radius of the alternative site there are approximately 3,606 more residents living in the unincorporated area.

In addition to the increased population served, the alternative site's proximity to two Leon County Schools provides possible future benefits. These opportunities include the potential for partnerships for joint usage of recreational amenities, stormwater facilities, parking and traffic circulation. There may also be an opportunity to partner with the City on the Northeast Park itself. In addition to the County's Northeast Park project, the City has also had previous discussions regarding the development of a City park in the Northeast. The City has not finalized plans for the creation or the operation of the City's park. Therefore, there may be an opportunity for collaboration on the new Northeast Park which could be further discussed at the IA Board meeting.

#### Purchase and Sale of Land

If the Board approves moving forward with the proposed relocation, the sale and purchase of lands by the County is governed by Policy No. 16.5 "Real Estate Policy." As required by Article 12 of the County's Real Estate Policy, if the County Administrator deems that a sale or lease of Countyowned real estate may be in the best interest of the County, the matter shall be presented to the Board for consideration. Should the Board authorize the sale, staff will then prepare a notice calling for competitive bids in accordance with the Policy and Section 125.35(1)(c), Florida Statutes. Pursuant to the Policy, two independent appraisals are also required to determine the estimated Fair Market Value of the real estate. With the Board's authority, the County Administrator would then accept the offer from the highest responsive bidder by executing the sale and purchase agreement contingent upon the Board's review and approval at a scheduled meeting. Tall Timbers, on behalf of the owners of Horseshoe Plantation, have already expressed an interest in purchasing the County property which is encompassed by Horseshoe Plantation lands. Currently, much of surrounding Horseshoe Plantation lands are managed by Tall Timbers as part of its conservation and research efforts. As part of the transaction, Horseshoe Plantation has indicated a willingness to negotiate the continued use of the trail for a year. In addition to the value of the land, the sale price would also cover the County's investment in the trail and associated parking.

Utilizing the proceeds of the sale, the County would concurrently purchase the new parcel for future development of a Northeast Park. Pursuant to the County's Real Estate Policy, the purchase of real estate likewise requires that the County Administrator present a proposal to the Board and obtain the authority to negotiate the purchase. As part of the process, the County is also required to obtain two independent appraisals of the property to ensure the estimated value of the property is in line with market conditions. If the negotiations and appraisals are successful, a negotiated purchase would be presented to the Board for review and approval. While the purchase of the new parcel will be contingent upon the sale of existing County owned land, the negotiations for both transactions would be concurrent.

#### Next Steps

Should the Board wish to proceed with the sale and purchase of these lands, the next step will be to seek approval from the IA Board to amend the Northeast Park project description. The current project description specifically shows the Northeast Park being located at the Proctor Road site. Pursuant to Blueprint's 2015 Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement, any substantial

amendment to a Blueprint 2020 project's description requires two public hearings prior to the project modification being approved.

The IA Board will consider the modification process to move the Northeast Park's project location at the February 18, 2021 Blueprint IA meeting. Once approved by the IA Board, the first public hearing would be conducted by the Blueprint Citizens Advisory Committee and the second and final public hearing would be conducted by the IA Board at the April 8, 2021 meeting. Following the public hearing, the IA Board could then approve the modifications by a super-majority vote of the individual County and City Commissioners. The funding for the development of the Northeast Park is included as a Blueprint project with funding planned for 2035. At the February 18, 2021 meeting the Blueprint IA will be considering advancing the funding for the development of the Northeast Park to align with the Northeast Gateway project implementation. The Blueprint IA will be considering options to accelerate the Northeast Park project funding as part of the upcoming debt financing that Blueprint is considering.

The land sale and purchase would be scheduled to close following the April 8, 2021 IA Board meeting and subject to the approval of the project modification occurring. The negotiated sale and purchase agreements would then be brought back to the Board for final approval.

#### **Options:**

- 1. Authorize the County Administrator to initiate selling the parcel of property at Proctor Road and Thomasville Road and negotiate for the purchase of the parcel on Centerville Road adjacent to the Montford Middle and Roberts Elementary Schools in accordance with the Board's Real Estate Policy, for the purpose of developing a Northeast Park to be brought back to the Board for final approval, subject to the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency Board's approval to modify the location of the Northeast Park project description.
- 2. Board direction.

#### **Recommendation:**

Option #1

#### Attachments:

- 1. Prioritization Process by Project Blueprint 2020 Infrastructure Program
- 2. Northeast Park project description

Prioritization Process by Project – Blueprint 2020 Infrastructure Program (27 Projects, listed in alphabetical order by category, except for the CCQ projects which are presented in priority order)

IA Board Action	Project Name	2014 Project Estimate			
<b>#1 Project</b> (April 2015)	Capital Circle Southwest	\$70,000,000			
	Bike Route System	\$15,000,000			
Funded via	Greenways Master Plan	\$15,800,000			
Annual	Operating Costs for Parks Built with Sales Tax Funds	\$20,000,000			
Allocation (April 2015)	Sidewalks	\$50,000,000			
(April 2013)	StarMetro Enhancements	\$12,500,000			
	Water Quality and Stormwater Improvements	\$85,000,000			
	Alternative Sewer Solutions Study (Phase 1 - June 2017)	\$2,800,000			
In Progress Per IA	Northeast Gateway Welaunee Critical Area Plan Regional Infrastructure ( <i>February 2016</i> )	\$47,300,000			
Direction (Varies by	Orange Avenue: Widening from Adams Street to Springhill Road (September 2016)	\$33,100,000			
project)	Southside Gateway Enrichment: Widening of Woodville Highway (June 2016)	\$29,700,000			
	Airport Gateway: Springhill Road and Lake Bradford Road	\$58,698,138			
Prioritization Coordinated	North Monroe Gateway	\$9,400,000			
with CRTPA	Northeast Connector Corridor: Widening of Bannerman Road	\$33,300,000			
(Feb. 2017)	Northwest Connector Corridor: Widening of Tharpe Street	\$53,184,800			
	Westside Student Corridor Gateway: Widening of Pensacola Street	\$29,936,800			
Complete (Jan. 2015)	De Soto Winter Encampment	\$500,000			
Community En	Community Enhancement Districts, Connectivity, & Quality of Life (CCQ)				
	Market District (80 pts.)	\$9,400,000			
	Orange Avenue/Meridian Road Placemaking (80 pts.)	\$4,100,000			
	Lake Lafayette and St. Marks Regional Linear Park (75 pts.)	\$15,816,640			
Prioritized via	Monroe-Adams Corridor Placemaking (55 pts.)	\$7,000,000			
Blueprint Promise	Midtown Placemaking (50 pts.)	\$22,000,000			
Criteria	Beautification and Improvements to the Fairgrounds (45 pts.)	\$12,000,000			
(Sept. 2017)	Northeast Park (45 pts.)	\$10,000,000			
	College Avenue Placemaking (40 pts.)	\$7,000,000			
	Florida A&M Entry Points (25 pts.)	\$1,500,000			
	Tallahassee-Leon County Animal Service Center (10 pts.)	\$7,000,000			



# **Northeast Park**



# **Project Highlights**

- Park design and amenities to be determined through community input.
- Possible improvements may include:
  - Active Park (55 acres):
    - Baseball and multi-purpose fields
    - Playground
    - Amenities such as concession/restroom facilities, sidewalks, lighting, etc.
  - Passive Park (45 acres):
    - Greenways
    - Hiking and biking trails.
- Estimated Cost: \$10 million

The Northeast Park is 100-acre parcel located at the corner of Proctor Road and Thomasville Road, of which 55 acres are anticipated to hold activitybased facilities (playground and activity fields). The remaining 45 acres of the park are anticipated to be set aside as a passive park (trails and greenspace). This project could also include the realignment and paving of Proctor Road within the confines of the park site. Additionally, a northbound turn lane would need to be added on Thomasville Road to facilitate traffic flow into the park.



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