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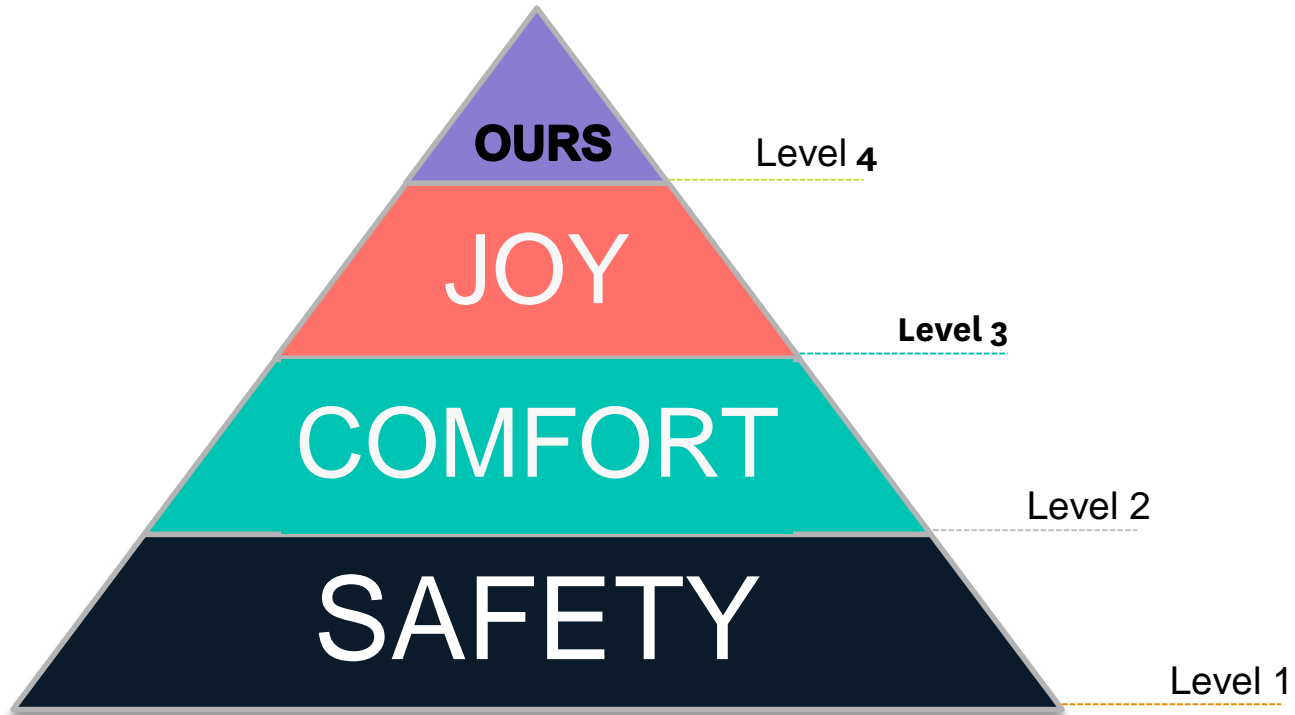
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WILD SPACES & PUBLIC PLACES UPDATE TO THE GENERAL POLICY COMMITTEE
JANUARY 14, 2021

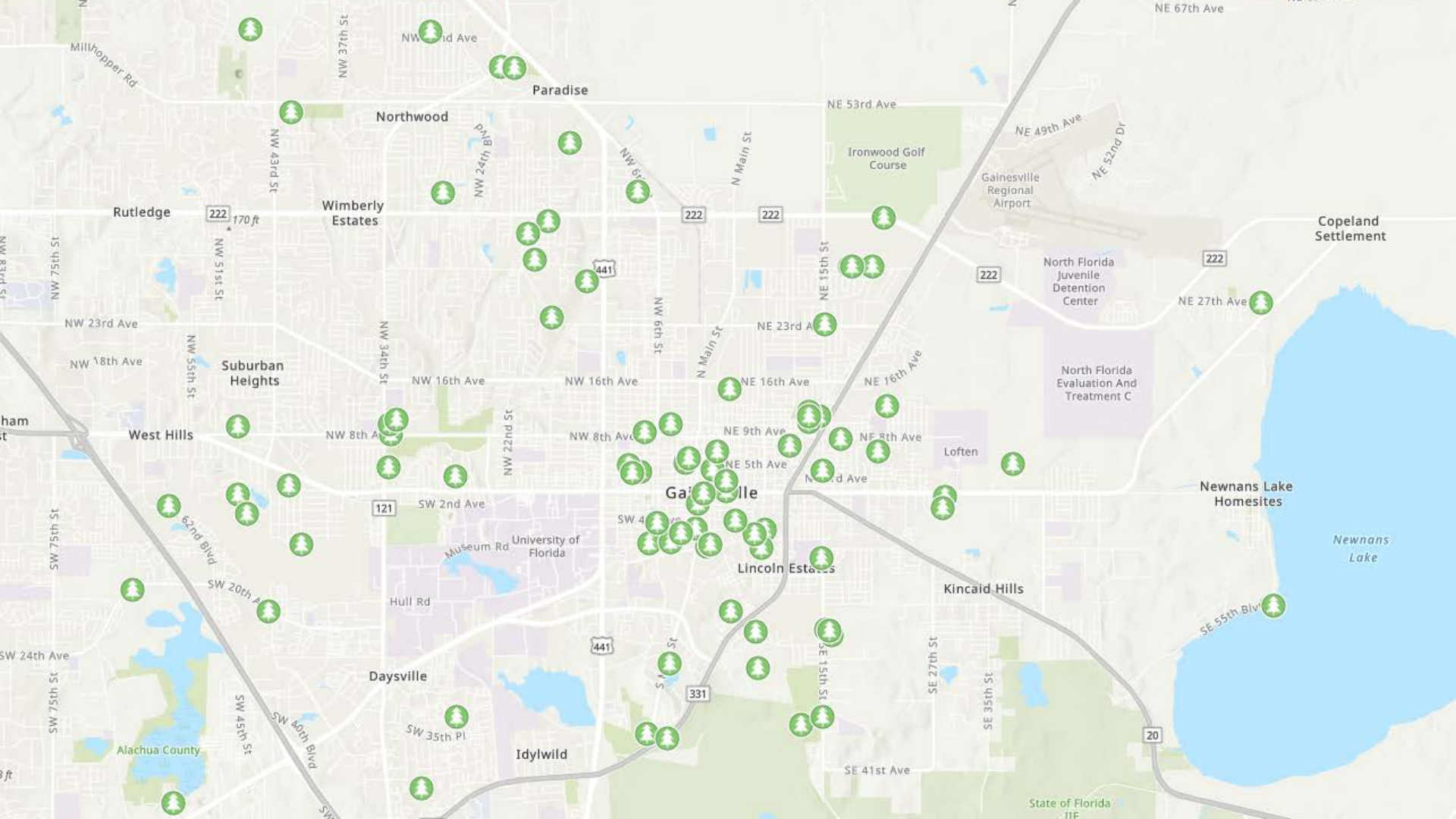
Wild Spaces & Public Places History

-  **2009-2010** – First iteration of WSPP, a 2 year long ½ cent sales tax collection
-  **November 15, 2012** – PRCA Vision 2020 Master Plan approved by City Commission
-  **February 18, 2016** – City Commission approved a list of 99 potential WSPP projects and a list of potential City/County projects
-  **November 8, 2016** – Ballot initiative for WSPP approved by voters to *acquire and improve environmentally sensitive lands to protect drinking water sources, water quality, and wildlife habitat, and; to create, improve and maintain parks and recreational facilities*
-  **January 1, 2017** – 8 year long ½ cent sales tax collection began, ~\$5,808,000 per year, ~\$46.5M for Gainesville
-  **April 20, 2017** – City Commission approved WSPP projects for 2017
-  **April 20, 2017 and September 14, 2017** – City executed interlocal agreements with the County for \$3,000,000 for specific projects that have county-wide impact and \$660,000 from the County's WSPP Municipal Grant Program
-  **September 28, 2017** – General Policy Committee received a presentation from PRCA with updates on 2017 projects and proposed projects for 2018
-  **April 12, 2018** – General Policy Committee received a presentation on WSPP 2018-2020 projects
-  **January 10, 2019** – General Policy Committee received a presentation on WSPP 2018-2020 projects
-  **April 11, 2019** – General Policy Committee received a presentation on WSPP 2018-2020 projects
-  **May 16, 2019** – City Commission received a presentation on WSPP 2018-2020 projects
-  **August 22, 2019** – General Policy Committee received a presentation on WSPP 2018-2020 projects
-  **October 3, 2019** – City Commission received a presentation on the Clarence R. Kelly Community Center Project
-  **October 17, 2019** – City Commission received a presentation on a list of small proposed WSPP projects
-  **November 7, 2019** – City Commission received a presentation on the Masonic Lodge
-  **March 12, 2020** – General Policy Committee received a presentation on project updates, a financial overview and discussed future projects for 2021-2024

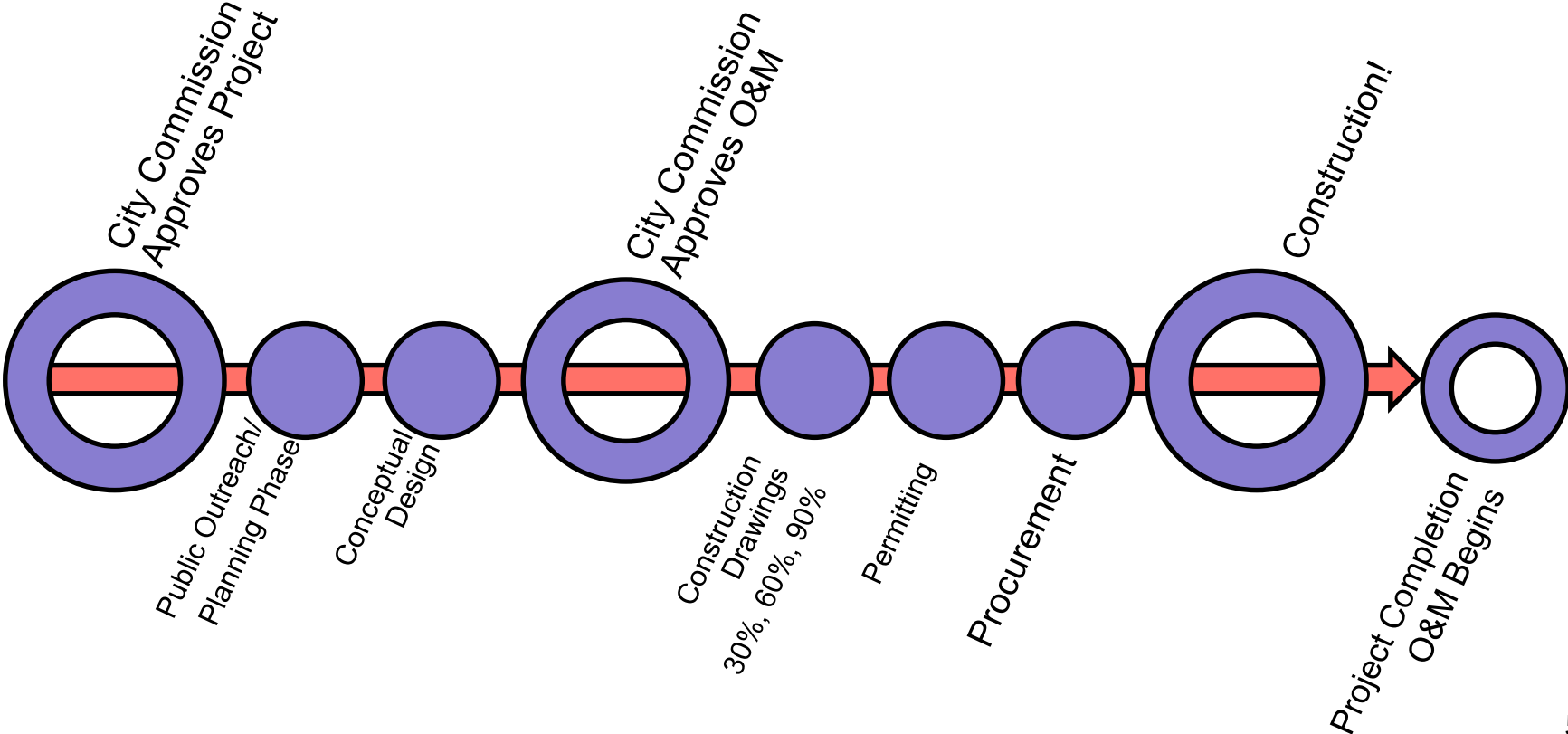
WSPP Approach



Constructing an innovative, inclusive and resilient community for all neighbors



Project Implementation Framework



Agenda

 **WSPP Project Updates**

 **Revenue & Expenditure Update**

 **Planning for the Future, WSPP FY21-24**

Project Updates

Recently Completed

- ⚽ Albert “Ray” Massey (Westside) Park Improvements
- ⚽ Depot Park Improvements
- ⚽ Hippodrome Theatre Improvements
- ⚽ Morningside Nature Center Improvements
- ⚽ Nature Center at Hogtown Creek
Headwaters Nature Park
- ⚽ Northside Park Improvements
- ⚽ Oakview Park Improvements
- ⚽ Springtree Park Improvements
- ⚽ T.B. McPherson Recreation Complex Improvements
- ⚽ Wilhelmina Johnson Resource Center /
Sharmie Ffar Park Improvements

Albert “Ray” Massey (Westside) Park Improvements





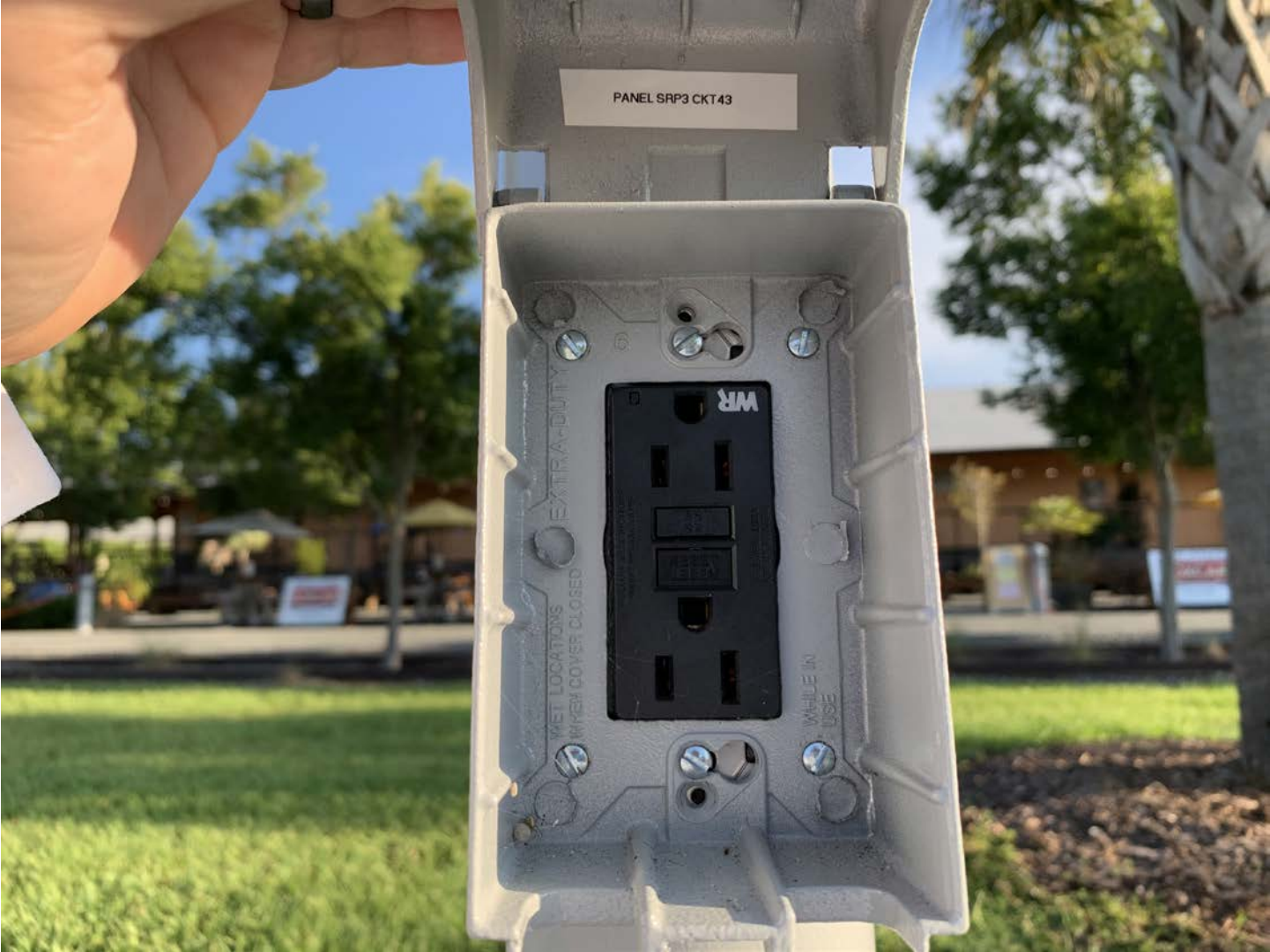


Depot Park Electrical Improvements









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EXTRA-DUTY

WET LOCATIONS
WHEN COVER CLOSED

WHILE IN
USE

Hippodrome Theatre Improvements



For a tour of the Hippodrome renovations please visit:

https://vimeo.com/471935617?fbclid=IwAR31Lo4CievjYyw4DISuFmT3CpBL28sy9H-qMf5ovyONfkf6ZFW_IKhol8U

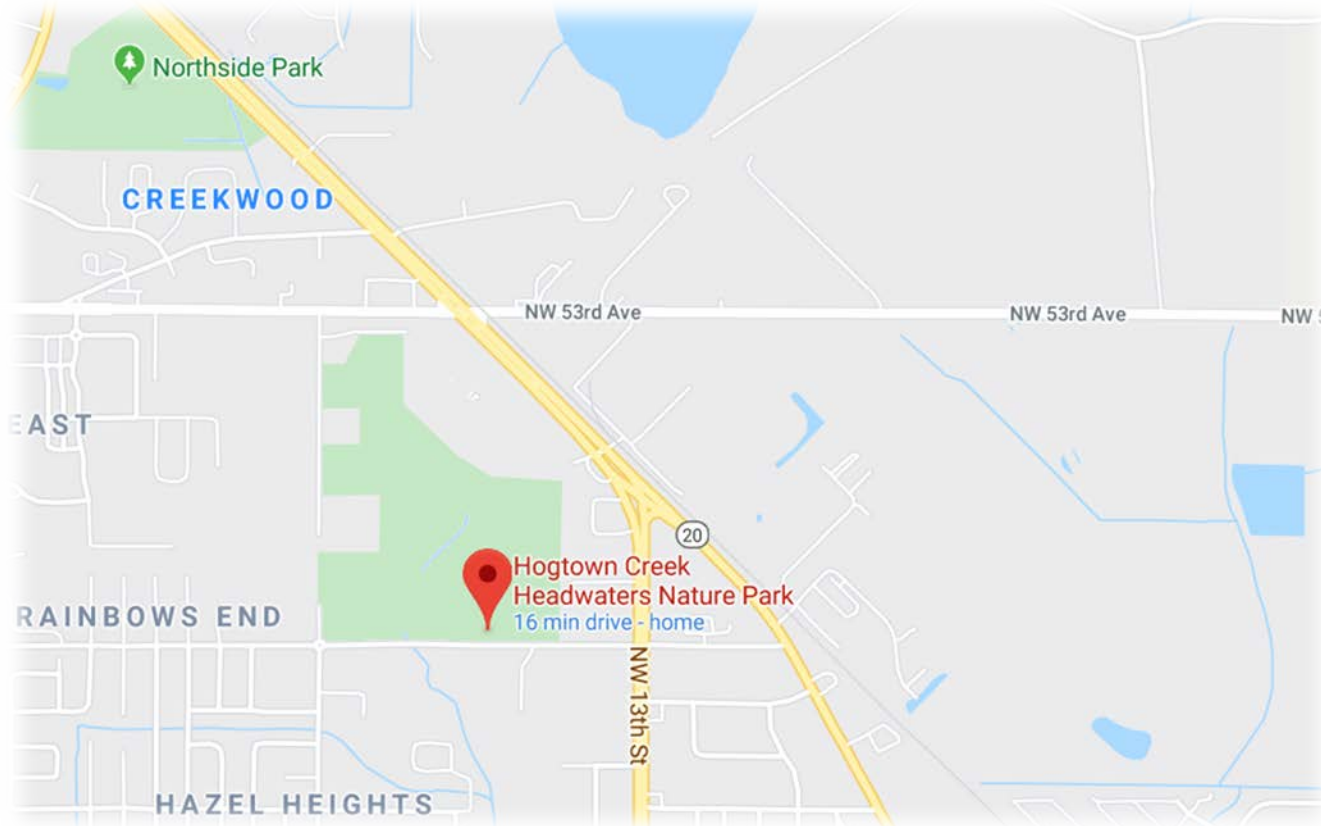


Morningside Nature Center Improvements



Timucuan Indian Paha Reconstruction

Nature Center at Hogtown Creek Headwaters Nature Park



Pre-Renovation



2008



NORTH ELEVATION





Northside Park Improvements



North





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P Parking

 Recreation Center

 Terrace

Tennis

Pickleball

Racquetball

Public Art

Equipment Check-out/Vending

Restrooms

Disc Golf Start

Board Games

Table Tennis

Bocce Ball

Pétanque

Play Area











Oakview Park Improvements



Before...



2019

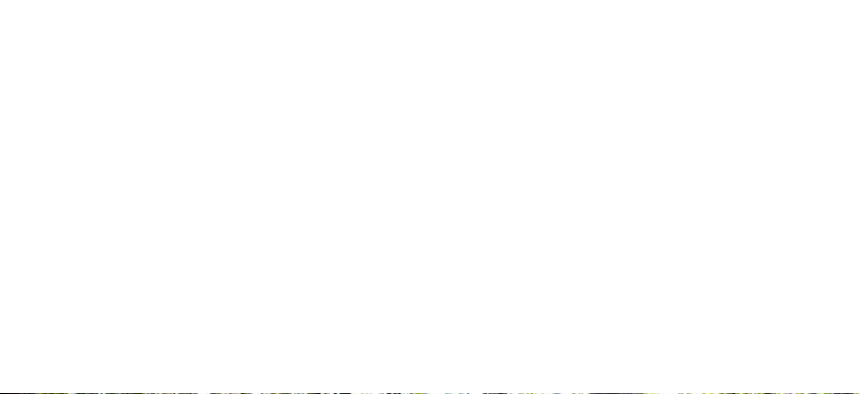




Springtree Park Improvements



New Playground, Overlook Deck & Pavilion



T.B. McPherson Recreation Complex Improvements



Tennis Court Reconstruction

Wilhelmina Johnson Resource Center / Sharmie Ffar Park Improvements



Revenue & Expenditures



	Funds Received	Funds Expended
FY 2017	\$ 4,241,520.45	\$ 447,224.30
FY 2018	\$ 8,020,930.77	\$ 1,651,994.97
FY 2019	\$ 8,233,445.17	\$ 4,428,420.34
FY 2020*	\$ 7,282,411.57	\$ 7,235,414.77
FY 2021**	\$ 1,566,779.59	\$ 478,297.44
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	\$ 29,345,087.55	\$ 14,241,351.82

*Preliminary numbers. FY20 audit completes in March, 2021. **FY21 funds are through December 29, 2020. Numbers in table reflect tax revenue, interest earnings, outside agency funds and project expenses. Inter-city fund transfers were excluded for simplicity.

Revenues

	Original Projection	Current Projection	Strong Growth
FY 2017 (Received)	\$4,241,520.45	\$4,241,520.45	\$4,241,520.45
FY 2018 (Received)	\$8,020,930.77	\$8,020,930.77	\$8,020,930.77
FY 2019 (Received)	\$8,233,445.17	\$8,233,445.17	\$8,233,445.17
FY 2020 (Received)	\$7,282,411.57	\$7,282,411.57	\$7,282,411.57
FY 2021 (Projected)*	\$5,808,000.00	\$7,117,241.00	\$8,160,000.00
FY 2022 (Projected)	\$5,808,000.00	\$7,500,000.00	\$8,323,200.00
FY 2023 (Projected)	\$5,808,000.00	\$8,000,000.00	\$8,489,664.00
FY 2024 (Projected)	\$5,808,000.00	\$8,500,000.00	\$8,659,457.28
FY 2025 (First Quarter)	<u>\$1,452,000.00</u>	<u>\$2,167,500.00</u>	<u>\$2,208,161.61</u>
	\$52,462,307.96	\$61,063,048.96	\$63,618,790.85
**County WSPP Funding	<u>\$3,660,000.00</u>	<u>\$3,660,000.00</u>	<u>\$3,660,000.00</u>
	\$56,124,327.66	\$64,725,068.66	\$67,280,810.55

The sales tax began on January 1, 2017. FY2017 reflects 9 months of revenue. *Projected by the Florida Department of Revenue's Office of Tax Research. **The City executed two interlocal agreements with the County in 2017 for partial funding for specific projects.

Remaining Projected Revenue

**Original
Projection**

\$26,973,441.02

**Current
Projection**

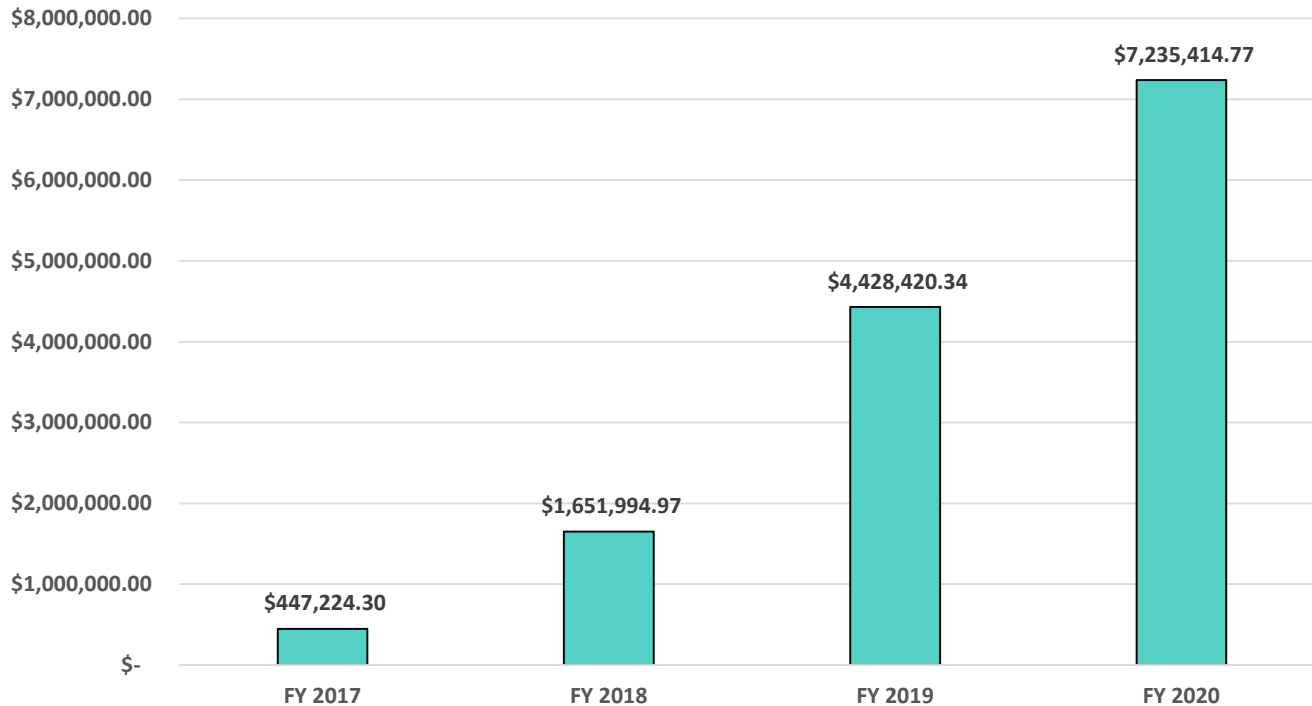
\$35,574,182.02

**Strong
Growth**

\$38,129,923.91

Expenditures

WSPP Fiscal Year Expenditures



Planning for the Future, WSPP FY21-24

- Cultural Affairs Division priorities:
 - Cultural Center Discussion / *Festival and Arts Park*
 - Thelma A. Boltin Center Improvements
 - Hippodrome Theatre Improvements
 - Wilhelmina Johnson Resource Center Improvements
 - Thomas Center "A" - Wi-Fi Infrastructure
 - ~~Rosa B. Williams Center Improvements~~

Planning for the Future, WSPP FY21-24

- Ironwood Golf Course priorities:
 - Ironwood Golf Course Improvements
- PRCA Department priorities:
 - Boulware Springs Historic Water Works Improvements
 - PRCA Vision 2035 Master Plan
 - ~~Solar Charging Stations~~

Planning for the Future, WSPP FY21-24

◦ Nature Operations Division priorities:

- Loblolly Woods Nature Park Boardwalk Renovations (North of NW 8th Ave)
- Alfred A. Ring Park Improvements
- Boulware Springs Nature Park Improvements
- Split Rock Conservation Area Improvements
- Morningside Nature Center Improvements
- Sweetwater Wetlands Park Boardwalk Improvements - ~~Prairie Tower and Solar Tower~~
- Duval Park Improvements
- Loblolly Woods Nature Park Improvements (South of NW 8th Ave)
- Bivens Arm Nature Park Improvements
- Gum Root Park Improvements
- Clear Lake Nature Park Improvements
- Broken Arrow Bluff Nature Park Improvements
- San Felasco Park Improvements
- Colclough Pond Nature Park Improvements
- Cofrin Nature Park - Complete Park and Construct New Nature Center
- ~~Glen Springs Acquisition and Development~~

Planning for the Future, WSPP FY21-24

- Park Operations Division priorities:

- Forest Park Improvements
- Tom Petty Park Softball Field Improvements
- Albert "Ray" Massey (Westside) Park Playground Improvements
- Citywide Park ADA Improvements
- Improve Bikeway and Trail Connections - Multiple Projects
- Cora P. Roberson Park Improvements
- Kiwanis Challenge Park Improvements
- Woodland Park Improvements
- Sweetwater Branch Park Improvements
- Smokey Bear Park Improvements
- New Multipurpose Field Athletic Complex and Professional Disc Golf Course Feasibility Study - beginning with land acquisition assessment

Planning for the Future, WSPP FY21-24

- Recreation Division priorities:
 - Park and Field Lighting Overhaul
 - City Pool Improvements - Façade and pool infrastructure enhancements
 - Albert "Ray" Massey (Westside) Park Recreation Center Renovation
 - Recreation Center Wi-Fi Infrastructure
 - NE 8th Avenue and Waldo Road
 - ~~Cone Pavilion Event Space~~

Questions?

